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Sh. Jaswinder Singh, (9814673902)

S/o Sh. Raghuvir Singh,

R/o Kothi No 315, Phase-1, Mohali.Appellant/Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

.....Respondent

O/o Director of Public Instruction (SE), Punjab Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director of Public Instruction (SE), Punjab Mohali

Appeal Case No.978 of 2021 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on : 05-08-2020

PIO replied on : -

First appeal filed on : 14-09-2020 First Appellate Authority order : 04-11-2020

Present: Appellant: Sh. Jaswinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Gurpreet Singh (Sr. Asst.) 9592557500

ORDER:

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 16.02.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Appellant, Sh. Jaswinder Singh stated that no information has been supplied so far.
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4. The PIO in his reply had claimed exemption u/s 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act . The Commission

agrees with the contention of the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PIO}}$ that such information is purely in the nature of

personal information and no larger public interest has been shown. As regards to the

point no. 3 of RTI application the respondent PIO is directed to supply the information

duly attested within 10 days of receipt of this order with a copy to the Commission.

The appeal case is disposed of with above observations and directions.

Chandigarh Dated: 31.05.2021 Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti)

State Information Commissioner, Pb.

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4. The disclosure of such information is not in the public interest as the appellant has asked

for the information for promotion of his personal interest. Therefore, the PIO is justified in

denying the information sought, u/s 8(1)(j) of the Act.

The appeal case is disposed of with above observations.

Chandigarh Dated: 31.05.2021 Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Pb.