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Sh. Gurnam Singh,

S/o Sh. Inder Singh, Village Mustafabad Jattan, District Gurdaspur.

#### **Versus**

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Gurdaspur.
First Appellate Authority,
District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Gurdaspur.

## Appeal Case No. 3747 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Balkar Singh, Panchayat Secretary (for the Respondent) 75890-51350

#### ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.10.2023 and 20.12.2023)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **15.9.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding grants to gram panchayat naban pind sardara from 2018 to 31.3.2022, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.11.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.12.2023**.
- 2. The Order in this case was reserved on 20.12.2023. Sh. Balkar Singh, Panchayat Secretary, has once again appeared on behalf of the BDPO and has submitted a reply with partial information. He has also made a submission on behalf of the ADC (D) Gurdaspur, vide Letter No. 1872 Dated 22.12.2023, wherein the Commission has been requested to grant the BDPO, another opportunity to be heard.
- 3. Accordingly, the PIO-cum-BDPO, Gurdaspur is directed to appear in person at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case with a reply to the Show Cause Notice issued to him on 18.10.2023 and a pointwise reply to the RTI application along with duly attested copies of the following:
- i) Cash book for the period cited in the RTI application.
- ii) Proceeding book for the period cited in the RTI application.
- iii) Grants received for the period cited in the RTI application.
- iv) Physical attendance register pertaining to works carried out under NREGA.
- 4. The PIO-cum-BDPO, is reminded that he is still under the Show Cause Notice issued to him by the Commission and is liable for penalties as per the RTI Act, 2005.

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5. <u>Next Hearing on 2.4.2024 at 11. AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
26.12.2023

[Note: The appellant / complainant can attend the Hearing in person at the Commission / video conferencing from the office of the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned District or Cisco Webex. The Cisco Webex number of this Bench is 25115873176 and password is 12345. The appellant / complainant is advised to intimate the Commission regarding the mode of Hearing, at least three weeks before the Hearing.]