OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, HIMACHAL PRADESH, POLICE HEADQUARTERS SHIMLA-171002.

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(APPELLATE AUTHORITY)

Appeal No. P.III-5(01)-RTI – Vinod Kumar/2024-(16)

Dated

Appellant:

Shri Vinod Kumar, 326, Sector 123 Block-A, Sunny Enclave Mohali (Pb) 140301.

Vs.

State Public Information Officer:

The Public Information Officer-cum- Superintendent of Police, Welfare, Police Headquarters, H.P, Shimla-171002.

"ORDER"

This is the 1st appeal preferred by Shri Vinod Kumar 326, Sector 123 Block-A, Sunny Enclave Mohali (Pb) 140301, against the order of Public Information Officer-cum- Superintendent of Police, Welfare, PHQ, HP, Shimla under RTI Act with reference to his online RTI Portal application dated 17.01.2024 under RTI Act 2005.

The appellant feeling aggrieved with the decision that the Public Information Officer State Police Headquarter H.P Shimla-2 provided incomplete, misleading or false information, preferred the 1st appeal under RTI Act.

A copy of appeal was supplied to the PIO to offer para-wise comments on the appeal. The comments offered by PIO are as under:-

- 1) RTI application which was received in the office of PIO on 17.11.2023 through online RTI Portal vide No.HPRTI-19740.
- 2) It is also submitted that after receiving of aforesaid online RTI application of the appellant under RTI ACT, 2005, the information was sought from the concerned branches of PHQ vide his office U.O. No. 23234-38 dated 21.11.2023. The concerned branches of State Police Headquarter H.P. Shimla have provided the requisite information from their branches vide U.O. No. 1247 dated 23.11.2023 & No. 16549 dated 01.12.2023. Accordingly, additional fee was demanded from appellant vide letter No.24576 dated 07.12.2023 and after receiving of document charges from the appellant, the requisite information pertaining to PHQ provided to him vide letter No.327 dated 06.01.2024 through online RTI Portal.

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I have gone through the appeal of the appellant and the records on file.

1/341644/2024 have also perused the records/requisite information sought by the appellant. The undersigned also heard appellant through phone in the matter which was fixed on 08.12.2024 at 11.00 A.M.

I am of the opinion that a citizen has a right to seek such information from public authority which is held by the public authority or which is held under its control. The PIO PHQ has rightly supplied the requisite information as asked by the appellant vide his RTI application.

In view of the above, the aforesaid appeal is disposed of accordingly, keeping in view the principles of natural justice.

In case the appellant is not satisfied with this order, he may file an appeal within ninety days from the date on which the decision should have been or was actually received, before the 2nd Appellant Authority-cum-State Information Commission, Himachal Pradesh, Keonthal Commercial Complex, Khalini, Shimla-171002.

Signed by

Anupam Sharma

Date: 12-02-2024 11:20:04 (Anupam Sharma) IPS

1st Appellate Authority-cum-

Dated 10.02.24

Dy. Inspector General of Police (Admn.),

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002 e-Mail ID: -igp-adm-hp@nic.in

Endst. No. As Above-Copy is forwarded to:-

1. Shri Vinod Kumar 326, Sector 123 Block-A, Sunny Enclave Mohali (Pb) 140301.

2. The Public Information Officer-cum- Superintendent of Police, Welfare, PHQ, Shimla-171002 for information.

3. Incharge SCRB to upload the said order HP Police Web Portal.

4. Guard File.

(Anupam Sharma) IPS 1st Appellate Authority-cum-Dy. Inspector General of Police (Admn.),

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002