

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No.5311 of 2021
Date of Decision:05.03.2021**

(Heard through Video-Conferencing)

Sukhwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

The State Information Commissioner & ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present: Mr. SS Sidhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J. (ORAL)

By way of the instant petition, the petitioner seeks the indulgence of this Court for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to adjudicate his appeal-cum-application dated 14.09.2020 (Annexure P-2), while averring that vide order dated 02.07.2020, the application as moved by him under the Right to Information Act, 2005, had been declined and he preferred an appeal against the said order, which was not being decided by the First Appellate Authority and hence, he moved the said application (Annexure P-2), but the same has also not yet been decided.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Simran Grewal, AAG, Punjab, who has joined the proceedings in pursuance of the copies of this petition having been sent to the respondent-State in advance, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner would be satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.1 to look into and deal with/decide his said application (Annexure P-2) within some specific time frame.

Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.

Keeping in view the above-discussed limited prayer of learned counsel for the petitioner and without commenting upon the merits of the matter in hand, the instant petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1-the State Information Commissioner, Punjab State Information Commission, Chandigarh, to consider and decide the said application of the petitioner (Annexure P-2), in accordance with law/relevant rules, within a period of one month from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

05.03.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No