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

CWP-24573-2023

Date of decision: 02.11.2023

Sham Lal

...Petitioner

Versus

State Information Commission and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. Nitin Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Palika Monga, DAG, Haryana
for the respondents.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a Civil Writ Petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ, order or direction especially in the nature of mandamus directing respondent No.3 to supply information sought in the application filed under the Right to Information Act, 2005 dated 17.02.2021 (Annexure P-1) which is not being supplied despite the order of the State Information Commission, Haryana dated 07.09.2022 (Annexure P-4).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner vide application dated 17.02.2021 (Annexure P-1) had sought information on three points and the State Information Commissioner, Haryana vide order dated 07.09.2022 had directed the SPIO to furnish the

information to the petitioner qua point Nos.1 and 3 of the RTI Application within a period of 15 days from the receipt of the order under the intimation to the Commission. It is further submitted that however, in spite of passing of the said order, SPIO didn't supply the information on point Nos.1 and 3, the petitioner had filed a complaint dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) to the State Information Commission, Haryana bringing about the said facts but the said complaint has not been decided till date. It is contended that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied in case, respondent No.1 is directed to consider and decide the complaint dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) in a time bound manner and to take appropriate action therefrom.

3. Learned State Counsel appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 has submitted that complaint dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) would be decided by the State Information Commission as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of three months from today.

4. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.1 to decide the complaint dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of three months from today.

02.11.2023*Pawan***(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE****Whether speaking/reasoned:-****Yes/No****Whether reportable:-****Yes/No**