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(PH No- 28520398 (o), 28520989 (Fax), Email: dig-tihar@nic.in) Name of Date of Reply given by PIOs Date of filing Date of Appeal ID No. applicant applications of Appeal Hearing of Appeal Sh. PIO-CJ-3 07/03/2022 14/12/2021 17/02/2022 10/03/2022 Appeal Appeal Ramandeep General 15/2012 General Singh Gill

Appellant Sh. Ramandeep Singh Gill, Advocate is not present for hearing. Sh. Deepak Mann, Asstt. Supdt. is present for hearing on behalf of PIO CJ-3.

Case heard. The appellant in his appeal dated 14/02/2022 has stated that he filed an RTI application dated 15/12/2021 to the CPIO, Tihar Jail. He has alleged that ever after 30 days & till date he has not received any response or reply from the CPIO (SPIO CJ-3).

During hearing, the representative of SPIO CJ-3, Sh. Deepak Mann, Asstt. Supdt. has stated that they did not receive application dated 15/12/2021 of the Appellant. Rather they received it only after date of hearing was fixed by the First Appellate Authority. Thereafter only they replied to the Appellant/applicant Sh. Ramandeep Singh vide letter dated 07/03/2022.

Further, it is observed that the request for information sought has been rejected as follow: Personnel information cannot be provided due to third party information as per under section 2 (n) of RTI Act 2005.

Decision:-

The information has been given after due day and only after receipt of notice for hearing by the First Appellant Authority. The provision invoked for denial of request is also not proper. Section 2 (n) of the RTI Act 2005 is definition of "Third Party" and not the relevant provision for denial of requested information.

The SPIO CJ-3, Tihar Jail is hereby directed to deal the application of the Applicant a fresh and take appropriate decision as per the RTI Act 2005 and inform the Applicant. Besides, he may also give reason for delay in furnishing a reply to the Applicant. There be done within 07 days of issue of this order.

Case is accordingly disposed off. If applicant is not satisfied with this direction, he/she may file second appeal before the Hon'ble CIC, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi-67.

(MUKESH PRASAD) ADDL. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS/ FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY

Sh. Ramandeep Singh Gill Advocate, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh, Room No-24, New Bar Complex

F10(3476489)/ID-Appeal General/CJ/Legal/2022/177-02 Dated: 11/3)2022

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- 1) PIO CJ-3
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