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Dr. Manu Bhargav, Vrindavan House, Mohalla Kali Kambli Ashram, Backside Aman Hospital, Hoshiarpur.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o State Health Agency, Pb, Sector-34-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o State Health Agency, Pb, Sector-34-A, Chandigarh...

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1370 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 06.10.2021 has sought information regarding Indus Hospital Fatehgarh sahib – action taken on the complaint filed on 104 helpline against the said hospital in Ayushman Bharat Scheme from the initiation of the scheme to till date as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of State Health Agency, Pb Chandigarh. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 29.11.2021 which did not decide on the appeal.

Versus

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. Both parties are absent.

There is nothing on record which shows that the RTI application has been attended to by the PIO. There has been an enormous delay of more than one year in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

To come up for further hearing on **19.12.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

Sd/-

(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh Dated: 04.10.2022