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Shri Jaswant Singh, S/o SHro Piara Singh, R/o Village Hamad, Tehsl Guruharsahai, District Ferozepur.M: 98768-06054 V/s

Sh. Sarabjeet Singh, for complaince

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Mamdot, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DDPO, Ferozepur.

Appellant

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1670 of 2022

Present:- Sh. Jaswant Singh, appellant.

Sh. Jaswinder Singh warraich, Ex-PIO now DDPO, Ferozepur, Sh. Sarvjit Singh,

BDPO cum PIO on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.1.2022 vide which the Sh. Jaswant Singh Warraich, PIO now DDPO Ferozepur was imposed a penalty of Rs 10000/- and DDO was directed to deduct Rs 10000/- from his salary and deposit in the State Treasury and Sh. Sarvjit Singh present PIO was directed to provide the information before the next date of hearing. The case was adjourned and fixed for today.

- 2. The appellant states that complete information has been supplied by the PIO.
- 3. The respondent states that complete information including bank passbooks have been provided to the appellant. The PIO has sent a letter dated 1.3.2023 which is taken on record. Sh. Jaswinder Singh warraich Ex-PIO now DDPO, Ferozepur has sent a letter to the Commission with the request to waive of penalty imposed on him in the last hearing. Sh. Jaswinder Singh warraich now DDPO, Ferozepur has explained the causes of delay and tenders unconditional apology before the Commission. The letter so received is taken on record.
- 4. After hearing the parties and going through the case file, the Commission accepts the reasons explained by Sh. Jaswinder Singh warraich ex-PIO now DDPO, Ferozepur for delay in supply of information and therefore, penalty imposed on him is hereby withdrawn.
- 5. That the RTI application dated is 28.9.2021. The Commission is of the view that since the appellant has had to suffer undue inconvenience to get the information, it is a fit case for awarding compensation to the appellant u/s 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act. Hence the PIO is

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directed to pay an amount of Rs.5000/-(Rs Five Thousand only) via demand draft through Govt. Exchequer as compensation to the appellant for the loss and detriment suffered by him of having to file the appeals and not getting information in time. The PIO is directed to duly inform the commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof of having received the payment by the appellant before the next date of hearing.

6. To come up on 28.03.2023 at 12.30 P.M. to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur..

Dated 02.03.2023 @s SD (Suresh Arora) Chief information Commissioner, Punjab

Sh. Jaswinder Singh warraich DDPO , Ferozepur

For Compliance