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Respondent

Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

Show-Cause

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur

Encl. RTI application.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur

Appeal Case No.: 1831 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Kuldip Singh, SA(9815311661)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.10.2022 vide which respondent PIO was directed to supply the information after collecting the same from the concerned office and matter was adjourned to 5.1.2023.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- The appellant states that he has not received the sought for information in spite of earlier order dated 11.10.2022 directing therein to look into the facts again and supply the information to the appellant after collecting from the concerned office but no response from the respondent PIO.
- 4. The court asks the respondent, Sh. Kuldeep Singh, is anything with regard to information is supplied to the appellant after the previous hearing held on 11.10.2022 but respondent states that he newly posted at the present place of posting, therefore, he may be given some time to check the record. Commission taking a serious view towards the reply of the respondent.
- 5. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

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- 6. Respondent PIO is also directed to supply the information within 10 days from today.
- The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>28.03.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
 (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

Dated: 05.01.2023 (Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab