## PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Sh. Prem Singh, (8699780800) ......Appellant/Complainant

S/o Sh. Puran Singh,

Village Nava Salemshah, Tehsil &Distt. Fazilka.

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

.....Respondent O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer.

Fazilka.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

Appeal Case No. 416 of 2022

Present: Appellant: Sh. Prem Singh

Respondent: Absent

## **ORDER (Second Hearing):**

- 1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order of the Commission dated 06.06.2022 which was by Ld. SIC Sh. Sanjiv Garg.
- 2. Appellant Sh. Prem Singh submitted that no information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO till date.
- 3. Despite the Show Cause notice issued to him on 06.06.2022, the respondent PIO not only failed to appear at the subsequent (second) hearings, but also did not bother to file any written reply to the Commission. Having allowed him ample opportunities to be heard, this Commission imposed a penalty of Rs. 10,000.00 under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, upon the PIO, to be deducted from his salary.
- 4. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the PIO O/o BDPO Fazilka and deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission: -
  - 0070- Other Administrative Services
  - 60 Other Services
  - 0800 Other Receipts
  - 86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005
- 3. This Commission offers the respondent PIO one final opportunity to furnish the information sought by the appellant, and demonstrate compliance with the Order. Failing this, this Commission will be compelled to enforce his/her appearance in Court by issuing a Warrant.

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5. To come up on 24.01.2023 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am.

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## NOTE: "The BDPO Fazilka will appear in person in the commission on next date of hearing."

Sd/-

Chandigarh 17.10.2022

(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab