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Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar,

Distt. Mohali

Appellant

Versus

Show-Cause

Public Information Officer (By name)

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

Faridkot

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Faridkot

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2348 of 2022

Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Sh. Manjinder Singh- appellant in person.

Respondent: absent

Order:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.11.2022.
2. In today's hearing the appellant is present but the respondent PIO is absent consequently second time without any intimation.
3. The appellant states that nothing has been supplied in spite of orders passed by the Commission on previous hearings held on 01.08.2022 and 03.11.2022 even after the ample time has elapsed.
4. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot 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.

5. Final opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to comply with the previous order dated 01.08.2022 within ten days after receipt of this order.
6. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on its receipt within 7 days failing it shall be presumed that information supplied is sufficient and nothing is to comment deficient and the case shall be decided on merits on next date of hearing.
7. To come up on **05.04.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 31.01.2023

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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