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Shri Manpreet Singh, (98551 00351)

S/o Shri Davinder Singh, Village Kailpur, P.O Dakha, District Ludhiana. PSIC Using the formation Contraction

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, (BY NAME)

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana – 1, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, (BY NAME)

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3761 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Date of RTI	Date of Reply,	Date of First Appeal	Date of Order / Reply,	Date of Appeal/Complaint
Application	if any of SPIO	made, if any	if any of FAA	filed in the Commission
11.05.2022	-	21.06.2022	-	17.08.2022

PRESENT: Shri Manpreet Singh, Appellant. None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER (FOURTH HEARING):

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 28.03.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The Appellant states that information sought has not been provided to him.
- 3. Despite the Show Casue Notice issued and inspite of having been allowed him ample opportunities of being heard, the PIO not only failed to come present on the Fourth consecutive hearing, but also failed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice and not supply the requisite information to the appellant till date.
- Hence, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, a penalty to the tune of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) is imposed upon the PIO O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana – I, District Ludhiana to be deducted from his/her salary.
- 5. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana I, District Ludhiana is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the PIO O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana I, District Ludhiana and deposit in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission: -

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- 0070- Other Administrative Services
- 60 Other Services
- 0800 Other Receipts
- 86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005
- 6. The PIO O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana I, District Ludhiana is also directed to appear personally and bring along the parawise information as also evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty and produce the same before the Bench on the next date of hearing.
- The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 14.06.2022 at 11:30 AM in the Commission. Both the parties are directed to present their case personally. Copies of the order sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 24.04.2023

Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Copy of the above is forwarded to the following:- (Regd. Post)

- 1) The Deputy Commissioner, (BY NAME) Ludhiana.
- 2) The Drawing & Disbursing Officer, (BY NAME) O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Ludhiana – I, District Ludhiana.

for information and compliance of the order.