



**Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg, (7814322100)**

C/o Police Public Dairy,  
15 A, Shastari Nagar, Model Town, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant/Complainant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer**

O/o XEN, Electrical, Division PWD B&R,  
Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, PWD B&R,  
Mohali.

**Appeal Case No. 2566 of 2022**

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| Date of RTI Application | Date of Reply, if any of SPIO | Date of First Appeal made, if any | Date of Order / Reply, if any of FAA | Date of Appeal/Complaint filed in the Commission |
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| 23.12.2021              | -                             | 10.03.2022                        | 29.03.2022                           | 26.05.2022                                       |

Present: Appellant: Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg  
Respondent: Absent

**ORDER(Fourth Hearing):**

1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order of the Commission dated 30.11.2022 vide which the Commission observed that the PIO, without any reasonable cause, has malafidly delayed the information and thus, has rendered himself liable for punishment as provided under the RTI Act, 2005. He was given a number of opportunities to provide the information to the Appellant but he is delaying the matter. In these circumstances, the PIO O/o XEN, Electrical, Division PWD B&R, Jalandhar was held guilty of default on the above score and therefore, a penalty of 10,000/- was imposed on respondent PIO u/s 20(1) of RTI Act 2005.
2. In today's hearing the respondent PIO is again absent without any intimation for the fourth time. Appellant, Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the respondent authority till date. He further requested the commission to grant compensation towards unnecessary harassment caused to him due to Respondents.
3. **In the view of the harassment and detriment caused to the appellant, Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg, this Commission deems it appropriate to award a compensation of Rupees Ten Thousand (Rs. 10000.00). This is to be paid by the Public Authority, in this instance, the O/o XEN, Electrical, Division PWD B&R, Jalandhar, within 20 days of receiving this order.**

The Drawing and Disbursing Officer PIO O/o XEN, Electrical, Division PWD B&R is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the

PIO O/o commissioner of police, Ludhiana and deposit the same 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

4. The Commission offers the respondent PIO one final opportunity to furnish the information sought by the appellant, and demonstrate compliance with the last order of the commission. Failing this, this Commission will be compelled to enforce his/her appearance in Court by issuing a Warrant and enhancing the penalty amount upto Rs. 25,000/-

5. To come up on **14.06.2023** through **personal hearing** at PSIC Chandigarh timing **11:30 am**.

**Sd/-**

**Chandigarh**  
**30.11.2022**

**(Maninder Singh Patti)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

(To comply with the commission order & to present in person on next date of hearing with all the relevant records of the case)

**CC: Er.Jatinder Singh Chhina (PIO)**  
O/o XEN, Electrical, Division PWD B&R,  
Jalandhar.