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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Paramjit Kaur,

W/o Sh. Jagshir Singh, Jaimalwala, Tehsil Baghapurana, Distt. Moga.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Station House Officer, Baghapurana, Moga. First Appellate Authority, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Baghapurana, Moga.

Appeal Case No. 3181 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
Paramjit Kaur (Appellant)
(for the Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **24.12.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding a complaint dated **28.10.2021** on helpline no. **112**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.2.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **7.7.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.10.2022**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. This is despite the Notice of Hearing issued to him on 29.8.2022. This RTI application was submitted on 24.12.2021 and there has since been no reply / information provided to the appellant. In view of the above, the PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Bhagapurana, Distt. Moga, is hereby issued this Show Cause Notice
- 3. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-SHO</u>, <u>Police Station</u>, <u>Bhagapurana</u>, <u>Moga</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **24.12.2021**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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- 4. The PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Baghapurana, is also directed to appear in person along with a written, pointwise reply to the RTI application and all the information as available on record, at the next hearing of this Appeal Case on 31.10.2022.
- 3. Next hearing on 31.10.2022 at 11.30 am (The appellant will attend the hearing via Video Conference from DC office Moga and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 11.10.2022

Cc: Senior Superintendent of Police, Moga, for information and further necessary action.