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**Shri Karnail Singh, (9872460503)** 

S/o Shri Gurdeep Singh, R/o Village Farid Kera, Tehsil Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

...Appellant

**Versus** 

Public Information Officer, (BY NAME)

O/o Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Farid Khera, Block Lambi, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, (BY NAME)

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

...Respondents

#### APPEAL CASE NO. 3833 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Date of RTI	Date of Reply,	Date of First Appeal	Date of Order /	Date of Appeal/Complaint
Application	if any of SPIO	made, if any	Reply, if any of FAA	filed in the Commission
25.04.2022	02.05.2022	07.06.2022	-	18.08.2022

**PRESENT:** Shri Karnail Singh, Appellant.

Shri Surinder Pal Singh, V.D.O. – cum – PIO (83603 77717)

#### **ORDER** (FOURTH HEARING):

- This order may be read with reference to the order dated 25.04.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The Appellant reiterates his earlier version that incomplete information has been provided to him.
- 3. The PIO again seeks some more time to provide the information to the appellant.
- 4. Despite the Show Casue Notice issued and in spite of having been allowed him ample opportunities of being heard, the PIO neither file a reply to the Show Cause Notice nor supply the remaining information to the appellant till date.
- 5. Hence, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, a penalty to the tune of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand Only) is imposed upon Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Village Development Officer cum PIO O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Lambi, District Sri Muktsar Sahib to be deducted from his salary.

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- 6. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Lambi, District Sri Muktsar Sahib is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 20,000/- from the salary of Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Village Development Officer cum PIO O/o Gram Panchayat, Farid Kera, Block Lambi, Sri Muktsar Sahib and deposit 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
- 7. Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Village Development Officer cum PIO O/o Gram Panchayat, Farid Kera, Block Lambi, Sri Muktsar Sahib 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.
- 8. The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib is also directed to ensure compliance of the order from the concerned PIO, before the next date of hearing.
- 9. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 14.06.2023 at 11:00 AM in the Commission. Both the parties are directed to appear personally. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 31.05.2023 Sd/(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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

- 1) The Director, (BY NAME)
  Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab,
  Sector 62, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)
- 2) The Drawing & Disbursing Officer cum BDPO, (BY NAME) O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Lambi, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.
- 3) Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Farid Khera, Block Lambi, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

for information and necessary compliance.