



Sh. Bhupinder Pal Singh
1245, Phase-1,
Urban Estate, DUGRI,
LUDHIANA.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The President,
SGPC, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 0329 of 2022

Present **None for the complainant**

Sh.Kuldeep Singh, Supervisory Assistant for the respondent

Order

The Complainant, through an RTI application dated 22.02.2021 has sought information regarding facilities being provided to children of 1984 riots in Guru Ram Dass Medical College, Amritsar – what is the fee for such children for MD/MS courses for one year – what type of help to such children for admission, registration and tuition fee and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of the President, SGPC, Amritsar. The complainant was not provided with the information, after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 25.05.2022.

The case has come up for hearing today through Video Conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Amritsar. As per the respondent, the reply has been sent to the complainant vide letter dated -02.11.2022 stating that the complainant to contact the Addl. Secretary, Sri Guru Ram Dass Charitable Hospital Trust, Sri Amritsar Sahib and get the relevant information.

The complainant is absent, nor represented.

There has been a delay of more than ten months in attending to the RTI application since the RTI application was filed on 22.02.2021 whereas the reply was sent only on 02.11.2022. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **01.02.2023** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated: 21.11.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner