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**Prof. Sh. J.S.Gill(9872301898)**

# 3347, Sector 49-D,  
Chandigarh

Appellant

Versus

**Show-Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

**(Regd. Post)**

O/o Director, Technical Education  
& Industrial Training Pb., Sector 36, Chandigarh

**Encl. RTI application**

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Joint Director, Technical Education  
Wing Pb., Sector 36, Chandigarh

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.:3351 of 2022**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** (i) Sh. J.S. Gill, the appellant in person.  
(ii) For the respondent: Absent

**ORDER**

1. Refer earlier order dated 2.11.2022 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to supply the point-wise information/reply as per RTI application to the appellant within fifteen days from that day along with directions to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 18.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M.
2. In today's hearing, the appellant is present but nobody appears on behalf of the respondent department.
3. Appellant states that he has not received anything from the respondent department till date. He also pleads the court that suitable directions be issued to supply the sought for information since sufficient time has passed.
4. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o Director, Tehcnical Education & Industrial Training Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh is directed to show cause** in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

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5. Respondent PIO is also directed to comply with the previous order dated 02.11.2022 within ten days after receipt of this order.
6. Appellant is also advised to point out ambiguity, if any, specifically as per RTI application, in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, within seven days after receipt of information, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard and case will be decided on merits.
7. To come up on **22.03.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 18.01.2023**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**