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Appellant

### Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)

# 2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

## First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 3385 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

<u>Present:</u> (i) Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

(ii) Respondent: Absent

### **ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.02.2023.

- 2. In today's hearing the appellant states that as per earlier order dated: 9.2.2023, it was ordered to get the inspection of the record done but the same could not be taken place. He further adds that he has been told that as and when the information is received by the department that the same shall be provided to the appellant.
- 3. Respondent PIO is not present for today's hearing.
- 4. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, Sh. Kuldeep Singh, O/o Secretary, RTA, Sangrur 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.

5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

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6. To come up on **27.06.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Show-Cause

Dated: 09.05.2023

Sh. Kuldeep Singh (PIO-cum-SA)

(Regd. Post) O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur

Encl. RTI application