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.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Sh. Deepak Goyal, (9878812888)

S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar,

R/o Bank Street, New Basti Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Markfed, Punjab,

Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Markfed, Punjab,

Sangrur.

Appeal Case No. 3515 of 2022

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Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of Order / Reply, if any of FAA	Date of Appeal/Complaint filed in the Commission
04.01.2022	23.05.2022	02.06.2022	09.06.2022	03.08.2022

Present: Appellant:Sh.Shivam Goyal on behalf of applicant

Respondent: Sh. Baljinder Singh, (Branch Manager), 9814458089

Sh. Ashok Kumar, (Sr.Asst.), 9809810066

ORDER(Third Hearing):

- 1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order of the Commission dated 07.12.2022.
- 2. Both the parties are present for hearing.
- 3. The Commission observed that despite of giving opportunities to respondent PIO on previous hearings dated 15.11.2022 and 23.01.2023. In today's hearing Sh. Baljinder Singh appeared clueless in respect of the nuances of the RTI Act and again appeared without proper explanation for non compliance of the order of the Commission dated 23.01.2023 A strict warning is issued to the o/o Markfed Punjab, Sangrur for not providing any reply to the appellant within the timeline prescribed under the Act. The PIO is warned to be careful with the timeline and refrain from delaying replies. The information sought by the appellant is specific and should be replied to categorically. The PIO Markfed Punjab, Sangrur is directed to provide point wise reply, to the Appellant within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order. Falling to which PIO will become liable for action under Section 20(1) which provides for a maximum penalty of Rs 25,000 at the rate of Rs 250 per day for any dereliction. PIO may also become liable for disciplinary action under Section 20(2).

A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO.

4. To come up on **14.06.2023** through **personal hearing** at PSIC Chandigarh timing **11:30** am.

Sd/-

Chandigarh 27.03.2023

(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab