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Appellant

**Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)**

# 2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar,

Distt. Mohali 143301.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.:3544 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Absent.

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 09.05.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 13.06.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.08.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 03.11.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through cisco webex), on the next date of hearing along with directions to supply the point-wise reply/information as per RTI application to the appellant within ten days after receipt of this order.

It is observed by the undersigned Bench that respondent PIO has very lenient and casual approach towards the Notices and Orders issued by the Commission in all the pending cases before the undersigned Bench, which means PIO failed to perform his duties as a public servant, indeed is a serious matter.

4. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
5. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **22.12.2022 at 11:30 A.M. at Punjab State Information Commission Office, Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 03.11.2022**

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