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Shri Raminderpal Singh S/o Shri Teja Singh, R/o MIG-1406, Housing Board Colony, C-Block, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Municipal Corporation,

Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 376 of 2023

Present: i) Shri Bawa Bhulinder Singh for the Appellant - through cisco-webex

> ii) None for the Respondents

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.03.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- The case has been heard today. As per representative of the appellant, the PIO has not supplied information yet.
- 3. The respondent is absent for the second consecutive hearing nor is represented and has not filed any reply to the show cause notice issued on the previous hearing for not providing the information to the appellant.
- 4. Keeping the above-mentioned facts of the case, it is clear that the PIO-O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is flouting the spirit of the RTI Act continuously. The PIO has not only shown utter disregard for the Commission's repeated orders to provide the information but has shown willful stubbornness in not appearing before the commission despite various orders of the Commission.
- 5. To secure an erring PIO"s presence before the commission, the Information Commission is empowered to issue warrants to the PIO Under Section 18(3) of the RTI Act. A bailable Warrant of the PIO-O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is hereby issued through Commissioner of Police, Amritsar for his presence before the Commission on 31.05.2023.
- 6. The case is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 11.04.2023