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Appellant

Sh. Ashok Kumar (9780150888)

S/o Late Sh. Sham Lal, R/o Bank Street, New Basti, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

Versus

Show-Cause

Public Information Officer

(Regd. Post) O/o District Transport Officer,

Sangrur

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Transport Officer, Sangrur.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4724 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant: Sh. Shivam on behalf of the appellant

Respondent: Sh. Amritpal Singh (9034826779)

ORDER:

Date: 16.5.2023

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 7.2.2023.
- 2. The representative of the appellant, Sh. Shivam states that he has received nothing even after the last order. He pleads that suitable direction be issued so that he may get information.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Amritpal did not give any satisfactory reply.
- 4. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o RTO, 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. Respondent PIO is directed to supply the sought for information within 7 days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission without further delay.
- 6. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of the information within 7 days to the respondent PIO with a cop to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned for further hearing on15.6.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi) State Information Commissioner Punjab