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FINAL ORDER

Devinder Kumar Sharma,
S/o Girdhari Lal,
B-484, St. No. 2/7A,
Guru Nagar Colony,
Kharar, Mohali.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Patiala.

Complaint Case No. 485 of 2022

PRESENT:

Devinder Kumar Sharma (Complainant) 99885-51616
Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent) 97791-28209

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 9.11.2022)

1. The complainant, **Devinder Kumar Sharma**, filed this RTI application dated **1.6.2022** and sought information regarding Order of 29.4.2022 in case of AC No. 4821 of 2021, from the PIO o/o **SSP, Patiala**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **27.7.2022**. The case was last heard on **9.11.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO-cum-SSP, Patiala, was issued a Show Cause Notice at the last hearing on 9.11.2022, to which he has submitted a reply vide Letter No. 2502 Dated 10.10.2022. Sh. Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant, appearing on behalf of the Pio-cum-SSP, explained the delay in addressing the RTI application because of the extraordinary workload and shortage of staff in the office. Pleading that there was no malafide intention on his part, the respondent assured the Commission that he shall be more proactive in addressing requests for information from members of the public, in future.

3. In view of the PIO-cum-SSP's reply and Sh. Amandeep Singh's plea, I believe the delay was more a result of oversight and not because of any malafide intent on the part of the respondents.

4. The Complaint is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
14.12.2022