



**Sh. Sanjeev Goyal (9814197689)**

Appellant

S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar  
#148, Model Town, Phase-1,  
Bathinda

Versus

**Show Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o SHO, Police Station, Sangat,  
District Bathinda

**Encl.** RTI application

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o IGP, Bathinda Range, Bathinda

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 4952 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Sanjeev Goyal.

Respondent: absent.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.09.202 one more opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the sought for information as per RTI application to the appellant within 10 days, failing which stern action as per RTI rules shall be initiated.

The appellant was also advised to point out the deficiencies, if any, on its receipt under intimation to the Commission within 7 days, failing which case will be decided on merit basis. Matter was further adjourned to 24.11.2022 i.e. today.

2. In today's hearing, appellant states that information is still pending even after the directions of the Commission dated 22.09.2022.
3. Neither the respondent PIO is present nor did he file reply in this regard, which means he has casual approach towards the orders passed by the Commission time and again.
4. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o SHO, Police Station, Sangat, District Bathinda 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 point wise information to the appellant within seven days after the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.

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6. To come up on **07.03.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

**Dated: 24.11.2022**

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