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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No.: 5107 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: absent.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.3.2023.
- In today's hearing the appellant is present and states that deficiencies are still to be removed
 even after the directions by the Commission vide order dated 5.1.2023. He further states that
 nothing with regard to removal of deficiencies is received till today.
- Respondent PIO is absent and it is observed that after the sufficient time, discrepancy still to be removed and respondent PIO did not bother to pay heed towards the directions of the Commission dated 05.01.2023.
- 4. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, Sh. Kuldeep Singh, O/o Secretary, RTA, 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.

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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 deal this case on priority basis and remove discrepancy

immediately within seven days after receipt of this order.

6. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 08.06.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 03.05.2023

(Anumit Singh Sodhi) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Show-Cause

Sh. Kuldeep Singh (PIO-cum-SA)

(Regd. Post) O/o The Secretary,

Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

Encl. RTI application

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