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Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Superintendent, Headquarters,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
Public Information officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 5465 of 2021

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **7.7.2022 and 8.9.2022**)

1. The RTI application is dated **9.8.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information as **regarding vigilance enquiry against the biggest scam in MC, Ludhiana**, enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.9.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **2.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **8.9.2022**.
2. Both parties are absent. The PIO-cum-Superintendent, Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, has submitted a reply to the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide Letter No. 29 Dated 1.11.2022 wherein he has claimed that the RTI in this Appeal Case was transferred to the concerned branch and he has appended a copy of the dispatch register mentioning this Appeal Case. However, the PIO-cum-Superintendent Headquarters, has not clarified as to which branch/PIO, this Appeal Case was sent to.
3. The Commission notes that the PIO-cum-Superintendent, Headquarters, has willfully absented him from three successive hearings of this Appeal Case. This is despite the clear directions to be present in person at the Commission for today's Hearing.
4. The Commission directs the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent, Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, to be present in person at the Commission in Chandigarh at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case. Failure to comply, will compel the Commission to issue a **Warrant** to ensure his presence.

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5. Next hearing on 1.12.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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

Chandigarh
1.11.2022