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**Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,**  
# 60-35-P-330, Street No. 08, Maha Singh Nagar,  
P.O. Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana (141014) Punjab

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o S.H.O,  
Police Station, Simlapuri, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Police Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 5470 of 2021**

**Present: None for the parties.**

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference to the order dated 09.05.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing. The case has been heard earlier on 24.02.2022, 24.05.2022, 05.07.2022, 05.09.2022, 17.10.2022, 03.11.2022, 05.12.2022, 31.01.2023, 02.03.2023 & 09.05.2023.
2. The case has been heard today. The appellant is absent for today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission.
3. Neither the PIO O/o SHO, Police Station, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex despite issue of bailable warrants. The PIO is continuously absent on all the hearings. The PIO has also not given any intimation in this regard and has also not filed reply to the show cause notice issued during the hearing dated 24.05.2022. During the hearing on 02.03.2023, Shri Jaswinder Singh, ASI appeared but was not unaware about the facts of the case.
4. The PIO is given one last opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the Bench which still stands and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith reply to the show cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say on the matter and the Bench may be constrained to initiate penal proceedings under section 20 of the RTI Act and also recommend disciplinary action against the PIO under section 20(2) of the RTI Act.
5. I am also marking this case to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana and Secretary, Department of Home Affairs & Justice, Punjab (Home-3) with the directions to ensure that the PIO appears before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith reply to the show cause notice issued on 24.05.2022 and information sought by the appellant.
6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. Since I am demitting the office on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and I am left with little time to hear the case further, this case file is sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this case file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for re-allocation of the instant appeal case.

**Chandigarh**  
**13.07.2023**

**Sd/-**  
**(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

**CC to :Secretary,**  
**Department of Home Affairs & Justice, Punjab**  
**(Home-3), Mini Secretariat, Sector 9,**  
**Chandigarh.**