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Sh. Anil Bhatia, # 1523, Sector 13, Hisar-125005. M: 9017397100 Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o DPI (Colleges), Mohali.

Sh. Ashwani Kumar Bhalla, Deputy Director cum PIO, O/o DPI (Colleges), Mohali.

Dr. Amar Pal Singh, IAS FAA cum DPI(Colleges), Punjab, Mohali

Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 6130/2022

Present: Sh. Anil Bhatia, appellant.

Ms. Pawanjit Kaur, Sr. Asstt. on behalf of the repsondnets.

Order

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.2.2023.

- 2. The appellant states that information has not been provided the action taken and present status of applications that he has sent to PIO through registered post also. The appellant further requests the Commission to take the penal action against the respondents.
- 3. The representative of the respondents states that the Ms. Jaswinder Kaur, PIO has retired on 28.02.2023. The respondent submits a letter bearing no. 202361410 dated 3.3.2023 issued by Sh. Ashwani Kumar Bhalla, Deputy Director cum PIO which is taken on record.
- 4. After hearing the parties and going through the case file, it is noticed that Dr. Amarpal Singh, D.P.I.(Colleges), Mohali cum FAA has also not complied with the order dated 15.2.2023 and has not discharged his statuary obligations under the provisions of the of the RTI Act, 2005. He is directed to take personal interest in this case to take the matter to its logical end.
- 5. In view of the above, the PIO is directed to reconsider his reply and submit the same before the next date of hearing. He is further directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing else penalty provisions will be invoked against him on the next date of hearing. The decision on the show cause notice issued to Ms Jaswinder Kaur will be taken on next date of hearing.
- 6. To come up on 28.03.2023 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.

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Dated 03.03.2023 @s For compliance Dr. Amarpal Singh,I.A.S. DPI(Colleges), Mohali (Suresh Arora)
Chief information Commissioner, Punjab