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Shri Amit Kumar. H.No.E-6-856, Gali Tejabian, Naraingarh, Chhehartta, Amritsar-243105.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

.Respondents

## AC No. 6206 of 2022

Sh.Amit Kumar - Appellant - through cisco-webex Present:

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent-

## **ORDER**

- This order may be read with reference to the order dated 21.02.2023 passed by this 1. Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. As per appellant, the PIO has not supplied any information so far.
- The respondent is absent on 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive hearing nor is represented as well as not 3. filed reply to the show cause notice issued at the last hearing on 21.02.2023 for not providing the information within the time prescribed under the RTI Act. The PIO has also not complied with the order of the Commission to supply point-wise information to the appellant.
- 4. Keeping the above-mentioned facts of the case, it is clear that the PIO-MC Amritsar is flouting the spirit of the RTI Act continuously. The PIO has not only shown utter disregard for the Commission's repeated orders to provide the information but has shown willful stubbornness in not appearing before the commission despite various orders of the Commission.
- To secure an erring PIO"s presence before the commission, the Information Commission is empowered to issue warrants to the PIO Under Section 18(3) of the RTI Act. A bailable Warrant to the PIO-Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is hereby issued through Commissioner of Police, Amritsar for his presence before the Commission on 31.05.2023.
- The case is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 27.03.2023

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