



Shri Om Parkash S/o Shri Kalu Ram,  
R/o Ward No.8, Sheikhu Road,  
Baba Deep Singh Nagar,  
Malout, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

..... Complainant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

.....Respondent

**CC No.830 of 2022**

**Present:** (i) Complainant – absent.  
(ii) Shri Gurdial Singh, Head Constable O/o SSP Sri Muktsar Sahib, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent- in person.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. As per respondent, the information relates to the office of RTA Faridkot since the complainant had filed RTI application with the office of RTA Faridkot who in turn forwarded the same to the office of SSP Sri Mukatsar Sahib.
3. During last hearing, the Bench observed that the information sought is in public interest and since the RTI has been addressed to PIO O/o R.T.A. Faridkot, the Bench directed the PIOs of both the office of SSP Sri Muktsar Sahib and PIO O/o R.T.A. Faridkot to sort out the matter as to who has actually to deal with the matter by coordinating with each other. Also both the PIOs were directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.
4. The PIO O/o R.T.A. Faridkot is absent nor is represented and has not complied with the order of the Bench. The Bench has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO O/o R.T.A. Faridkot to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Bench along with the written replies.
5. The O/o R.T.A. Faridkot is now directed to call the complainant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the official records. After inspection of records by the complainant, the information as is identified by the complainant be provided to him duly attested by the PIO before the next hearing. The PIO is directed to ensure that official records related to RTI application of the complainant are presented for examination and documents as identified are given duly attested by the PIO. The PIOs of RTA Faridkot and O/o SSP, Sri Mukatsar Sahib are directed to come present for the next hearing.
6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 20.07.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**30.05.2023**

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