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Sh B.S Punn, Joint Secretary,  
PSSI (Retd.)  
#92, Sector-71, Mohali-160071  
(M-9855600239)

..... Appellant

.Vs

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Supdt. Finance Deptt (FPPC Br.)  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

**First appellate Authority**  
O/o Deputy Secretary to Govt of Pb, Department of Finance  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

**AC No. 362 of 2023**

Present: (i) None for the Appellant.  
(ii) **For the Respondent:** Sh Harpeet Singh, Sr Asstt. (99141-16672)

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 18.04.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.03.2023 in the Commission.
3. The appellant is not present today.
4. The Respondent states that the information sought by the Appellant has already been provided to him. He has also filed their reply regarding the same vide Commission diary no. 5086 dated 22.02.2023.
5. The perusal of the file ascertains that the Appellant is not present today. The Respondent has filed their reply. I have gone through the same and do not find it to be convincing. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the notice issued by the Commission. Even, the Respondent appearing today is also not in a position to satisfy the Commission.

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6. Hence, **PIO- Smt Harminder Kaur, Supdt.** Is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant.

7. In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

6. To come up on **05.04.2023 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated :06.03.2023

Sd/-  
(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

**PIO- Smt Harminder Kaur, Supdt. (Registered Post)**  
O/o Supdt. Finance Deptt (FPPC Br.)  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh