



Karanvir Shenty Thamman
S/o Sh. Sham Lal Thamman,
Ward No. 07, Mohalla Imiwala,
Teh. & Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali) - 140601(Punjab)
(M. 9872305234)

....Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Derabassi(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali)(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5511 of 2022

Present : Sh. Karanvir Shenty Thamman, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 23.09.2022. First appeal is dated 31.10.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.11.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. Karanvir Shenty Thamman, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it emerges that on the earlier date of hearing, held on 02.01.2023, a copy of the order was sent to PIO office of S. D. M., Derabassi with the directions either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or file a point wise reply to each and every query, raised by the appellant through his RTI request, but none came present from office of S. D. M., Derabassi in today's hearing.

5. Moreover, PIO office of S. D. M., Derabassi has neither sent any intimation regarding his non-availability nor sent any document showing that the information or reply has been given to the appellant. It reflects that the requisite information/reply has not been given by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 02.01.2023.

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6. In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of S.D.M., Derabassi, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. 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 in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

8. The directions are hereby again been given to the PIO office of S. D. M., Derabassi either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or file a point wise reply to each and every query, raised by the appellant through his RTI request . He (the respondent PIO) is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the hearing in the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

9. With this, the case is adjourned to 27th February, 2023 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :23rd January, 2023

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