



Sh Rajnish Bharara, (M-9918896100)  
#520, Preet Colony,  
Zirakpur, Distt Mohali-140603

..... Appellant

**.Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Tehsildar, Derabassi

**First appellate Authority**  
O/o SDM, Derabassi

.....Respondent

**AC No. 871 of 2023**

Present: (i) Sh Rajnish Bharara, Appellant.  
(ii) None for the Respondent

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 01.11.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.03.2023 in the Commission office. However, the abovementioned case was postponed to be heard on 17.03.2023 i.e today.
3. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him till date.
4. No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today.
5. The perusal of the file shows that the no one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. They have neither bothered to inform the Commission about their absence nor filed any reply. The information has also not been provided to the Appellant

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In view of the above, **PIO- O/o Tehsildar, Derabassi 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.

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 **03.04.2023 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

**Dated :17.03.2023**

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