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Shri Balvir, (87250 40137)

S/o Shri Jagar, R/o Village Bhullan, Tehsil Moonak, District Sangrur - 148027

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Andana at Moonak, District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer, Sangrur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 0885 OF 2022

(Cisco	Webex	Proceedings)
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Date of RTI	Date of Reply,	Date of First Appeal	Date of Order,	Date of Appeal/ Complaint	
Application	if any of PIO	made, if any	if any of FAA	Filed in Commission	
21.10.2021		09.12.2021		17.02.2022	

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.

Smt. Paramjit Kaur, Superintendent (99152 73977) on behalf of the PIO

ORDER (SECOND HEARING):

This appeal case was earlier allocated to Hon'ble SIC Shri Sanjeev Garg and the same has been reallocated vide office order no. PSIC/Legal/2022/385, dated 12.07.2022 to the Bench of Hon'ble SIC Shri Maninder Singh Patti. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 29.06.2022 passed by the Bench of Hon'ble SIC Shri Sanjeev Garg. The Notice for hearing through Cisco Webex was issued to the parties for 01.11.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today.

2. The Appellant is absent from today's hearing. The PIO is again absent for today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearing dated 29.06.2022, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.

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4. The perusal of the case reveals that the PIO has not provided the complete information to the appellant even after the lapse of the 12 months period.

5. In view of the above, a <u>SHOW CAUSE NOTICE</u> under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act is issued to the Public Information Officer O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Andana at Moonak, District Sangrur, to explain as to why penalty should not be imposed upon him for wilful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. The PIO is directed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice and provide the complete information to the appellant and should appear personally through CISCO Webex, on the next date fixed, failing which Rs. 25000/- penaly will be imposed upon him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.01.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645.** Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

> Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

<u>Copy is forwarded to the following for intimation and compliance of the order:</u> (Regd. Post)

- 1) The Additional Deputy Commissioner, (By Name) Urban Development, Sangrur.
- 2) District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sangrur.

Chandigarh

01.11.2022