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Sukhwinder Singh, S/o Sh Ajit Singh, R/o Ward no 2, House No 208, Bhai Veer Singh Nagar, Near Gurudwara Veer Singh, Street no 3, Ahmedgarh, Distt Malerkotla (Punjab) (M-98761-49721)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Ahmedgarh, Distt Malerkotla (Punjab)

...Respondents

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Present: Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, the complainant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard in the Commission.

- 2. The RTI request is dated 23.04.2022. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 15.06.2022.
- 3. This case was last heard on 19.12.2022 and the appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent to inspect the official record.
- 4. The complainant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent but no information has been given to him till date.
- 5. Neither the respondent PIO is present in today's hearing nor he has sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he has not sent any document showing that the information is supplied to the appellant. It reflects that after a lapse of more than eight months, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the applicant.
- 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 Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Ahmedgarh, 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.

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- 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 fixed 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. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2023 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.</u>
  Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023

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