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Sh Jaspal, (M-9855688726)  
S/o Sh Munshi Ram,  
Tehsil- Ajnala,  
Distt –Amritsar

.... Appellant

V/s

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat,  
Bhindi Aulakh Khurd,  
Block-Chaugawan, Tehsil- Ajnala  
Distt- Amritsar

...Respondent

### **Complaint Case No. 42 of 2022**

Present : (i) Sh. Jaspal the complainant  
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

#### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the earlier numerous orders and the latest order of the Commission dated 22.03.2023, vide which it was mentioned that inspite of bailable warrant issued against the respondent PIO, none had appeared neither the information was provided to the information seeker. Despite the fact that the DDPO Amritsar and Director Rural Development & Panchayats were directed to recover the amount of penalty from the respondent and to deposit the same under the prescribed head and also to appear in person on the next date of hearing i.e. for today. Commission has, however, not received any compliance report from any quarter nor has anyone appeared on their behalf. It shows scant regard for the orders of the Commission, which is a statutory body. Commission takes this lapse as blatant disrespect and uncondonable on the part of the above officers .

2. However, in the interest of justice and taking a lenient view of the matter, a last opportunity is afforded to the respondents. Commission directs the respondent PIO, DDPO and Director Rural Development & Panchayats to appear in person before it on the next date of hearing, failing which, it shall be constrained to bring non-compliance of its orders to the notice

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of Principal Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayats and Chief Secretary to Govt. Punjab for taking strict disciplinary action against the delinquent officials/officers as per extant service rules.

3. To come up for further hearing on **26.05.2023 at 11.00 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :26<sup>th</sup> April, 2023

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

**THROUGH REGISTERED POST**

**CC:(i) Principal Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayats , Civil Sect-2, Sector 9, Chandigarh  
(for compliance)  
(ii) Chief Secretary to GOP, Civil Sect-2, Sector 9, Chandigarh  
(iii) Director , Rural Development and Panchayats, Sector 62, Mohali  
(iv) DDPO, Amritsar**