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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Hoshiarpur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5106 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 06.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on last date of hearing dated 06.09.2022 and he further mentions that the information relating to point number 04 of his RTI application is still pending.
3. None is present from the Respondent / PIO.
4. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as PIO/ Respondent concerned was absent on the last hearing dated 06.09.2022 and today again nobody appears from the department.
5. Final opportunity is given to the Respondent / PIO to represent this case on the next date of hearing along with directions to supply the information (i.e. relating to point number 04) to the Appellant by the next date of hearing positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
6. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
7. **To come up on 03.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. in Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
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Appellant

Versus

**Show Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

**(Regd. Post)**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application.

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1832 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on last date of hearing dated 02.08.2022 and he further mentions that no information has been supplied to him.
3. None is present from the Respondent / PIO.
4. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as PIO/ Respondent concerned was absent on the last hearing dated 02.08.2022 and today again nobody appears from the department. Moreover, the information is still not supplied. He was called to appear in person at Commission's office for today's hearing but he did not paid any heed towards the orders of the Commission.
5. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o Secretary, RTA, Amritsar 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 and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for detriment suffered.
6. 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.
7. The PIO concerned is directed to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing.
8. A copy of this order be also sent to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. the Secretary, RTA, Amritsar** for the compliance of this order and to look into the matter as RTI Act, 2005 came into existence to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority, not for the harassment of the public.
9. **To come up on 03.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. in Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 11.10.2022**

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Appellant

Versus

**Show-Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**  
(Regd. Post) O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

**First Appellate Authority**  
(Regd. Post) O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2035 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.  
Respondent: None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on last date of hearing dated 02.08.2022 and he further mentions that no information has been supplied to him.
3. None is present from the Respondent / PIO.
4. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as PIO/ Respondent concerned was absent on the last hearing dated 02.08.2022 and today again nobody appears from the department. Moreover, the information is still not supplied. He was called to appear in person at Commission's office for today's hearing but he did not paid any heed towards the orders of the Commission.
5. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o Secretary, RTA, Amritsar 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 and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for detriment suffered.
6. 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.
7. The PIO concerned is directed to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing.
8. A copy of this order be also sent to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. the Secretary, RTA, Amritsar** for the compliance of this order and to look into the matter as RTI Act, 2005 came into existence to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority, not for the harassment of the public.
9. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
10. **To come up on 03.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. in Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Appellant

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Versus

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O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Fardikot.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1829 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on last date of hearing dated 02.08.2022 and he further mentions that the information relating to point number 02 and 03 of his RTI application is still pending.
3. Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Junior Assistant mentions that it has to be created.
4. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the information (i.e. relating to point number 02 and 03) to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission within seven days from today along with advice to the appellant to point out discrepancy in the information within seven days, after receipt of this order positively failing, case will be decided on merit basis.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 03.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Fardikot.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2179 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 09.08.2022
2. In today's hearing, the Junior Assistant, Shri Sanjeev Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide letter dated 16.09.2022 and a cover letter of the same has been sent to the bench of undersigned through email comprising 46 pages, which is received and taken on record.
3. The Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that he has pointed out deficiencies to the department concerned vide letter dated 21.09.2022 but no reply of the same has been filed by the PIO concerned.
4. The Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to send the deficiencies letter dated 21.09.2022 to the PIO concerned again as well as to the Commission within a week through registered post with a copy to the Commission.
5. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the information (i.e. after removing the deficiencies) to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
6. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
7. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 04.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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Appellant

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Versus

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O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 242 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.  
Respondent: Shri Neeraj Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 03.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on last date of hearing dated 03.08.2022 and he further mentions that incomplete information has been supplied to him.
3. The respondent Shri Neeraj Kumar, Junior Assistant is present for today's hearing. After having a detailed discussion with him, respondent PIO is directed to supply the information/clarify the facts in written to the Appellant as per RTI application along with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
4. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
5. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 04.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Appellant

Versus

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O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 243 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Neeraj Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 03.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, Junior Assistant, Shri Neeraj Kumar states that the record is voluminous in nature as there are around 226 insurance certificates of the mentioned period and the same are with the company.
3. The Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that the status of the case was same as it was on last hearing and further mentions that he has no objection in depositing the requisite fees to the concerned department as he just requires the list numbers and insurances. He also mentions about his email dated 02.08.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.
4. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the information to the Appellant after collecting the requisite fees from the Appellant within fifteen days positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 04.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1103 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Neeraj Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 15.09.2022. As per the order dated 17.08.2022, the appellant stated that the partial information relating to point number 1 and information relating to point number 2 is not supplied.
2. In today's hearing, respondent / PIO, Shri Neeraj Kumar, Junior Assistant states that the record is with the Vigilance office and the same could not be supplied.
3. On this, appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that incomplete information has been supplied to him. He adds that the statements given by the concerned department is contradictory in nature and further requests for an affidavit for the same; because on the hearing held on 15.09.2022, an inspection was fixed on 19.09.2022 in the presence of respondent, Sh. Gurmeet Singh and there was nothing heard from the respondent regarding record is lying at vigilance office.
4. The PIO concerned is directed to look into the facts again and submit a written reply signed by the PIO accordingly to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission within ten days after receipt of this order, failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5107 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 06.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that the information which has been supplied to him vide letter number 2779 dated 08.09.2022 is irrelevant to this case RTI. He further mentions that same information has been supplied to him by the office of RTA, Jalandhar and office of RTA, Hoshiarpur.
3. The respondent / PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO mentions that information was sent to the appellant vide letter no. 2777 dated 08.09.2022 and an email has been sent in this regard to the undersigned Bench on 06.10.2022, which is received and taken on record.
4. After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 19.10.2022 (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. and meet the concerned PIO / officials for collection of record after inspecting the same as per his RTI.
5. The PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi and other concerned officials are directed to be there at the time of inspection on the said date and time on the Appellant's visit. The PIO is also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by hand or send the specific identified record to the Appellant within seven days from the date of inspection, failing which stern action would be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO.
6. If the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh will not visit for inspection on the said date and time then it would be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.
7. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Appellant

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O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5300 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.  
Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 14.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi states that information has been supplied to the Appellant vide letter number 2810 dated 12.09.2022 and same has been sent to the Commission, which is taken on record.
3. The Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that he has pointed out deficiencies to the department concerned vide letter dated 17.09.2022 but no reply of the same has been filed by the PIO concerned. He adds that only summary has been supplied but he has also demanded copies of the same.
4. The Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to send the deficiencies letter dated 17.09.2022 to the PIO concerned again as well as to the Commission within a week through registered post/email.
5. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the information (i.e. after removing the deficiencies as per RTI application) to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission within seven days after receipt of deficiency letter from the appellant, failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
6. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
7. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1100 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.  
Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 15.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that the information in relation to point number 01 and 03 is still pending. He adds that the inspection was not done even after the directions given by the bench of undersigned dated 15.09.2022.
3. The respondent / PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide dated 18.08.2022 and a reply dated 18.08.2022 has been received in the Commission vide diary number 18815 dated 23.08.2022, which is received and taken on record.
4. After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 19.10.2022 (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. and meet the concerned PIO / officials for collection of record after inspecting the same as per his RTI.
5. The PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi and other concerned officials are directed to be there at the time of inspection on the said date and time on the Appellant's visit. The PIO is also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by hand or send the specific identified record to the Appellant within seven days from the date of inspection, failing which stern action would be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO.
6. If the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh will not visit for inspection on the said date and time then it would be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.
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Distt. Mohali-140301

Appellant

Versus

(i)

**Public Information Officer**

**(Regd. Post)**

O/o Secy., RTA,  
Sangrur

(ii)

**Public Information Officer**

**(Regd. Post)**

O/o SDM, Barnala

Encl. RTI application

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secy., RTA,  
Sangrur

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 994 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

(i) Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh

(ii) Respondent: Sh. Rakesh Joshi (PIO)

**ORDER**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 08.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that information is still pending. He adds that department supplied reply stating therein that information relates with the office of SDM, Barnala but commercial driving license issued by the RTA office and RTI application was not even transferred to the concerned office.
3. Respondent, Sh. Rakesh Joshi is present for today's hearing.
4. After having detailed discussion with both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that there is no communication from the respondent PIO regarding transferring the RTI application to the PIO, O/o SDM, Barnala as per the case file. Accordingly, on the version of the respondent today during the hearing, respondent PIO, O/o SDM, Barnala is impleaded as a necessary party in this case to clear the facts. A copy of this order along with RTI application be sent to him for his ready reference.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **14.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)  
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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2036 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.  
Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 15.09.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. The respondent / PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO mentions about a letter number 3029 dated 04.10.2022 which has been sent to the Commission through email dated 04.10.2022 which is taken on record.
4. After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 19.10.2022 (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. and meet the concerned PIO / officials for collection of record after inspecting the same as per his RTI.
5. The PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi and other concerned officials are directed to be there at the time of inspection on the said date and time on the Appellant's visit. The PIO is also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by hand or send the specific identified record to the Appellant within seven days from the date of inspection, failing which stern action would be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO.
6. If the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh will not visit for inspection on the said date and time then it would be presumed that he does not requires the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.
7. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1831 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. The PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi requests for an adjournment in this case. He adds that this information is lying with the Sardar, Shri Jaspreet Singh and a letter has already been issued to him in this regard. He adds that he will write again to Shri Jaspreet Singh for supplying the requisite information.
4. The PIO concerned is directed to look into the facts of this case again and supply the information to the Appellant after collecting the same from the concerned office by the next date of hearing positively, failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through registered post for his ready reference.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301)

Appellant

Versus

**(i) Public Information Officer**  
**(Regd. Post)** O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur

**(ii) Public Information Officer**  
**(Regd. Post)** O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala

Encl. RTI application

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 240 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.  
Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. The PIO, Shri Rakesh Joshi states that this information is with the PIO office of RTA, Patiala and an email dated 07.10.2022 is sent to the Commission in this regard, which is received and taken on record.
4. After going through the case file, the respondent PIO office of RTA, Patiala is impleaded as a necessary party and further the concerned PIO is directed to look into the facts of this case and supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned. A copy of this order along with the RTI application be sent to the office of RTA, Patiala through registered post.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 241 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Joshi, PIO (M: 99145-85600) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 03.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, respondent, Sh. Rakesh Joshi states that information had already been supplied to the appellant twice but the appellant denies on the same. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to send the information again to the appellant via registered post immediately.
3. Appellant is advised to point out deficiency, if any, in writing within seven days to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
4. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
5. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2037 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Babandeep Singh Walia (RTA, FAA) along with Shri Harjeet Singh, Clerk (M: 70095-37406) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, respondent / PIO, Shri Babandeep Singh, RTA states that the information relating to 1547 permits as per official record comprising of 31 pages has already been supplied to the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh and if still he is not satisfied then he could approach the office for inspection of record as per his RTI application. It is observed that an email dated 25.08.2022 and dated 29.09.2022 are received by the undersigned Bench from the respondent, which is taken on record.
3. On this, appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that requisite information was demanded date-wise (breakups) but not supplied as per demanded information whereas category and class had already been supplied to him.
4. After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 20.10.2022 (Thursday) at 11 a.m. and meet the concerned PIO / officials for collection of record after inspecting the same as per his RTI.
5. The RTA, Shri Babandeep Singh is directed to depute an official for an inspection on the said date and time of inspection on the Appellant's visit. The PIO is also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by hand or send the specific identified record to the Appellant within seven days from the date of inspection, under intimation to the Commission via an email/post.
6. If the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh will not visit for inspection on the said date and time then it would be presumed that he does not requires the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.
7. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
8. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 24.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)**

2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali (140301).

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2180 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh (M: 9872015069) is present in person.

Respondent: Shri Babandeep Singh Walia (RTA, FAA) along with Shri Harjeet Singh, Clerk (M: 70095-37406) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 09.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Manjinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him even after supplying the challan number and receipt book number.
3. The respondent / PIO, Shri Babandeep Singh, RTA requests for an adjournment as he seeks some time to go through the same. He adds that department had already conducting an inquiry in this case and appropriate action will be taken accordingly.
4. After going through the case file, the PIO is directed to look into the facts of this case and supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing positively.
5. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 24.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
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**Sh. Gurpreet Singh (7814044919)**

H. No. 163, Sector 45-A, Chandigarh.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The Department of Technical Education &  
Industrial Training (Industrial Training Wing), Punjab,  
Sector 36, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o SDM, Maur, Bathinda.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 4592 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Gurpreet Singh (M: 7814044919) is present through webex.

Respondent: Shri Jaswinder Singh, Superintendent (M: 7973601360) is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 23.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Gurpreet Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. The respondent / PIO, Shri Jaswinder Singh, Superintendent states that the record is 19 years old and if Appellant need any specific record then he could point out the same and the information relating that will be supplied to the Appellant. He further mentions that a reply had also been sent to the Commission via letter number 162 dated 19.09.2022, which is received vide diary no. 21662 dated 21.09.2022, which is taken on record.
4. After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant, Shri Gurpreet Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 17.10.2022 (Monday) at 12.00 Noon and meet the concerned PIO / officials for collection of record after inspecting the same as per his RTI.
5. The Superintendent, Shri Jaswinder Singh and other concerned officials are directed to be there at the time of inspection on the said date and time on the Appellant's visit. The PIO is also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by hand or send the specific identified record to the Appellant within seven days from the date of inspection.
6. If the Appellant, Shri Gurpreet Singh will not visit for inspection on the said date and time then it would be presumed that he does not requires the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.
7. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
8. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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Appellant

**Sh. Baldev Singh (84377-95286)**

S/o Shri Hardit Singh,  
R/o Village Ladhuka,  
Tehsil and District Fazilka.

Versus

**Show-Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o The BDPO, Block Jalalabad.

Encl. RTI application

**First Appellate Authority**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o BDPO, Block Jalalabad.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 541 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Baldev Singh (M: 84377-95286) is present through webex.

Respondent: Absent.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that he has received incomplete information comprising of 58 Pages on 15.06.2020
3. None is present from the Respondent / PIO in spite being registered order issued to him by the Commission.
4. After perusal of the file shows that, a letter number 2446 dated 16.09.2022 has been received in the Commission vide diary no. 22864 dated 07.10.2022 and an email dated 18.09.2022 through which BDPO, Jalalabad assigned duty to Shri Gurjant Singh, Panchayat Secretary -cum- PIO Gram Panchayat, Ladhuka to supply the information to the Appellant and to attend today's hearing, but he fails to do so.
5. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as information is still no supplied and today nobody appears from the department.
6. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o BDPO, Block Jalalabad 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 and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.
7. 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.
8. A copy of this order be also sent to the First Appellate Authority i.e. the Secretary, RTA, Amritsar through registered post for the compliance of this order and to look into the matter as RTI Act, 2005 came into existence to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority, not for the harassment of the public.

Appeal Case No.: 541 of 2021  
Through CISCO WEBEX

9. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
10. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Manjit Singh (8427498620)**

S/o Shri Gurcharan Singh,  
Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,  
District Roopnagar.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The GM,  
Punjab Roadways, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Director,  
STC, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2451 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Manjit Singh.

Respondent: Shri Hardeep Singh (Superintendent) (9041600900).

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 07.02.2022, the date of First Appeal is 09.03.2022 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is dated 18.05.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. The Respondent, Shri Hardeep Singh, Superintendent, states that by supplying the information to the Appellant will affects the rates of upcoming tenders, that is why, information was denied to be supplied.
4. After going through the case file and the submission made by the parties, I am of the view that the PIO concerned is directed to supply the information to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission within seven days from today without wasting more time, failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
5. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 11.10.2022**

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**Sh. Tejinder Singh (9041004313)**

Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur

Pin : 144410

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The State Transport Commissioner,

Punjab, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o The State Transport Commissioner,

Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5357 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Tejinder Singh (M: 9041004313) is present through webex.

Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, APIO (M: 8264456908) is present from the Department in person.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 23.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, APIO, Shri Sher Singh states that the information cannot be supplied to the Appellant as this is a personal information and denied under the letter dated 09.08.2021.
3. The Appellant, Shri Tejinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him and further states that he just need an online website link at which the concerned information has been uploaded.
4. After going through the case file and the submission made by the parties, I am of the view that the PIO concerned is directed to supply the name of the website link where the information has been uploaded and if the same has not been uploaded then the PIO concerned is directed to file a proper reply signed by him in which he will explain the reasons for not supplying the information to the Appellant. The written reply should be send to Appellant by registered post within twenty one days and send a copy of the same to the Commission.
5. Both the parties are directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided in their absence.
6. **Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Sh. Amarjit Singh (9464662303)**

S/o Shri Harnek Singh,

R/o H. No. MCB Z -8-03019,

Street Number 09, Baba Deep Singh Nagar, Bathinda.

Appellant

Versus

**Show-Cause**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

(Regd. Post) O/o The Tehsildar, Maur, District Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority**

(Regd. Post) O/o The SDM, Maur, District Bathinda.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5511 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Amarjit Singh is present through webex.

Respondent: None is present from the Department in person.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 26.07.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Amarjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. On the other hand, none is present from the department.
4. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as information still has to be supplied to the Appellant and today nobody appears from the department.
5. In view of the foregoing, **respondent PIO, O/o Tehsildar, Maur, Distt. Bathinda** 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 and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.
6. 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.
7. After going through the case file, it is observed that a letter number 96 dated 26.08.2022 received from the Tehsildar Maur vide diary number 1957 dated 31.08.2022 stating therein record is lying at the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda, which is taken on record.
8. A copy of this order be also sent to the First Appellate Authority i.e. the SDM, Maur, District Bathinda **through registered post** for the compliance of this order and to look into the matter as RTI Act, 2005 came into existence to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority, not for the harassment of the public.
9. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
10. **To come up on 10.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Ashwani Kumar (8054798600)**

S/o Shri Om Prakash,  
R/o F9- 1186, Street No. 5, Batala Road, Vijay Nagar,  
Amritsar.

...Appellant

Versus

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer (By Name)**  
O/o The Municipal Town Planner,  
M, C Block, Ranjit Avenue,  
Amritsar (143001)

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority**  
O/o The Commissioner,  
MC, Amritsar.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 3715 of 2022**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant: Sh. Ashwani Kumar is present through webex.  
Respondent: None is present from the department.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 02.08.2022.
2. In today's hearing, the Appellant, Shri Ashwani Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him.
3. Respondent PIO did not pay any heed towards notices and orders issued to him through registered post by the Commission time and again. He was absent on the previous hearings held on 17.11.2021 before the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh and matter was fixed for 24.01.2022. The above mentioned case was allocated to the undersigned Bench vide office order dated 03.01.2022 passed by the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, accordingly matter was fixed for 10.03.2022, which was postponed and fixed for 26.05.2022.
4. On hearing held on 26.05.2022, respondent PIO was absent and Show Cause notice was issued to him and matter was fixed for 02.08.2022.
5. On hearing 02.08.2022, respondent PIO was again absent and matter was fixed for further hearing on 11.10.2022 along with directions to the respondent PIO to appear in person at Punjab State Information Commission but he failed to avail the given opportunities by the Commission.
6. From the material on record, it transpires that there has been unnecessary delay in conveying the correct State of affairs to the appellant in respect to his request for information. No explanation for delay has been given by him. Rather, his failure to even respond to the directions issued to him by the Commission reinforces the fact that he has been without any reasonable cause guilty of remissness in the discharge of his duties, therefore, deserves to be penalized.

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7. In view of the defying attitude of the concerned **respondent PIO, Municipal Town Planner, MC, Amritsar** neither attending the court nor submitting any explanation for the directions issued to him within the time schedule as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005, the court comes to a logical conclusion that it is a fit case for the imposition of penalty amounting to Rs. 10000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only) upon the concerned respondent PIO. However, taking a lenient view, **I impose a penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (Rs. Ten thousand only)** on the respondent PIO. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the office of Commissioner, MC, Amritsar is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the concerned respondent PIO and be deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission:-

"0070-Other Administrative Services

60 other Services

800-Other Receipts

86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005

8. To come up on **24.11.2022 at 11:00 AM for further proceedings in the Punjab State Information Commission**. Announced in the court. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Inder Singh, Ex- Principal, (9855090954)**

Appellant

S/o Shri Nikka Singh,  
R/o Village Chhauni Kalan,  
PO Ram Colony Camp,  
District Hoshiarpur.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial  
Training Department, Punjab, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial  
Training Department, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2559 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Inder Singh at PSIC Office.

Respondent: Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Junior Assistant is present from the Department through webex.

**ORDER:**

1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 08.09.2022
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the status of this present case is same as it was on previous hearing held on 08.09.2022 as incomplete information has been supplied to him and further states that he has pointed out deficiencies to the respondent letter dated 17.09.2022.
3. The respondent, Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Junior Assistant states that he has received the deficiency letter of Appellant dated 17.09.2022.
4. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the information (i.e. after removing the deficiencies dated 17.09.2022 and also supply the sewa patrika (ਸੇਵਾ ਪਤ੍ਰਿਕਾ) to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively failing which an action would be taken against the PIO concerned.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next of hearing before the bench of undersigned positively.
6. **To come up on 17.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.** Announced in the court. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 11.10.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**