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Sh. Ranjit Singh,
R/o H.No.63, Phase-3B1,
Mohali.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Kapurthala.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.1261/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
15.11.2018	09.01.2019	05.02.2019	Nil	28.03.2019

Present: **Shri Ranjit Singh, Appellant in person.**
None is present on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

The following order was passed on 06.06.2019:-

“The respondents are absent. The Commission takes strong exception to their indifference. In the interest of fair play, another opportunity is afforded to the respondents to provide information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.”

The case has come up today. None is Present on behalf of respondent No reply has been filed.

For the indifference and defiance shown to the directions of the Commission, the BDPO Nadala is hereby issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

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In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also 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 take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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.

To come up on **17.09.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conferencing at Kapurthala.**

25.07.2019

**Sd/-
(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner**