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Sh. Rajwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Swaran Singh,
R/o H No 149, Street No 6,
Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Gill, Ludhiana.
Mob. No. 9878619019

Appellant

Vs

Sh. Pardeep Bains,
Distt. Revenue Officer-cum-
Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

Registered

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer **Registered**
o/o Addl. Deputy Commissioner (Gen.)
Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1929/2021
(Video Conference/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Rajwinder Singh, appellant on telephone.
None on behalf of the respondents. 7873500007 7009314442

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 9.9.2021.

2. None is present on behalf of the respondents due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority. However, the appellant requested for the short adjournment of the case and also states that no information has been received from the respondents so far.

3. Video Conference Facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the appellant by the respondent seriously, Sh. Pardeep Bains is, thus, 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 a maximum of Rs.25000/- 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. 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

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does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte. He is also directed to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 12.10.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana.

Dated: 5.10.2021

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(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC

Sh. Varinder Kumar,
Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana

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To ensure compliance of this order.