IN THE PUNJAB INFORMATION COMMISSION

ASIF CH.

Vs

SECRETARY FOREST, WILDLIFE FISHRIES

Extraordinary delay in provision of Public Information under the Punjab Transparency and Right to Information Act 2013

Reference RTI complaint titled ABOVE Vs _____ and Directives dated 21-3-19 issued but pubic information is not provided as yet .

A public body is under obligation to provide public information within 14 days of receipt of RTI application directly filed to it. In the case at hand a delay of 123 days has already occurred which is a gross violation of law. The Commission consequently finally issued you a show cause notice dated 25-6-19 to explain the delay while providing a final opportunity upto 15-07-2019, with a warning of award of penalty. (copy enclosed)

The complainant has not received requisite information as yet, therefore, you being PIO/Head of Administrative unit are guilty of offence u/s 15 of the Act ibid hence liable for penalty of Rs. 10,000/- to be forfeited from your salary.

A copy of this order be forwarded to District Accounts Officer concerned/AG Punjab, as the case may be, for implementation under intimation to the undersigned.

Registrar
Punjab Information Commission

Particulars of Complainant

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