



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**CWP-21570-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision : 28.01.2025**

SATYAWAN

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present :- Mr. Sandeep Yadav, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar Yadav, Advocate
for respondent No.7.

Mr. Sailender Singh, Advocate
for respondent No.8.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that at no given point of time before imposing the penalty of Rs.25,000/- and Rs.2000/- as a compensation by the impugned order dated 01.07.2019 (Annexure P-15), the petitioner was served in any manner so as to seek reply as envisaged under Section 20 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Learned counsel submits that without giving any opportunity of hearing, the order causing prejudice to the petitioner has been passed.

2. Learned counsel for the respondents have appeared. None of the respondents has been able to justify that why the petitioner was not served before imposing of the penalty and the compensation.

