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**Sh. Sukhchain Singh**

Sonam Mohalla, Fatehgarh Churian,  
Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur.

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Deputy Director,  
Local Bodies, Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**

O/o Director,  
Local Bodies, Punjab, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

**AC No.4180/2019**

**Present:**

- (i) **Shri Sukhchain Singh, Appellant**
- (ii) **Sh.Baldev Singh, Clerk, M.C. Fatehgarh Churian,  
on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. Shri Sukhchain Singh, Appellant comes present and states that partial information has been provided to him.
3. Shri Baldev Singh, Clerk comes present on behalf of PIO-cum-EO Municipal Council, Fatehgarh Churian and hands over letter dated 26.02.2020 containing the information to the appellant and also produces a copy of the same before the Bench which is taken on record.
4. The documents provided to the appellant were discussed by the Bench. It emerges that partial information has been provided to the appellant and RTI application has still not been addressed fully. In spite of directions of the Bench, the PIO has not come present before the Bench. Sh.Baldev Singh, Clerk who was present in previous hearing, has been deputed again to attend today's hearing in spite of directions of the Bench for PIO to appear in person.
5. The Bench observes that the PIO was absent for the previous hearing and again he has failed to come present for today's hearing in spite of directions of the Commission. This shows his casual approach towards the directions of Commission.

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Therefore, the PIO O/o Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Amritsar is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and to explain as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for disobedience of the orders of the Commission. He is directed to also file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

7. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **31.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**.  
Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

**Sd/-  
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Sh. Hardev Singh  
S/o Sh.Bikkar Singh  
R/o St. No.3, Kishanpura Basti,  
Jujhar Nagar, Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-  
State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17B, Chandigarh.**

...Respondents

**AC No.4076/2019**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant is absent.**  
(ii) **Sh.Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, Assistant Transport Officer,  
Sangrur,PIO.**

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 18.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. Shri Hardev Singh, Appellant has neither come present nor has sent any intimation in this regard.
3. Shri Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, Assistant Transport Officer, Sangrur/PIO comes present and produces letter dated 03.03.2020 before the Bench stating therein that the appellant was called to the office of PIO and he has inspected the relevant record. It is also recorded therein that the appellant is satisfied regarding the record inspected. However, the PIO is unable to produce any certificate signed by the appellant to substantiate his claim.
4. To ascertain the position regarding receipt of documents by the appellant, an effort was made to contact him on phone a number of times, but he did not respond to repeated calls.

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5. Now, the PIO is directed to produce confirmation from the appellant to the effect that the appellant has inspected the relevant record in the office of PIO and has received the documents as identified by him and is satisfied with the information provided to him.

6. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM.**  
Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

Sd/-  
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**Sh.Jagjit Singh**

R/o Aman Nagar, Street No.3  
Backside Green Land School  
Near Jalandhar By Pass,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Zonal Commissioner Zone-A,  
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o The Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

**AC No.548/2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Sh. Jagjit Singh, appellant is absent.
- (ii) Sh. Dinesh Sharma, Supervisor, Municipal Corporation Zone-A,  
Ludhiana and
- (iii) Sh.Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Municipal Corporation Zone A  
Ludhiana.

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 01.03.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.04.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3. The Appellant Shri Jagjit Singh has neither come present nor has sent any intimation to this effect.

4. Sh. Dinesh Sharma, appears on behalf of PIO Municipal Corporation Zone-A produces authority letter and letter dated 03.03.2020 stating that information regarding point NO.5 of the RTI application relating to their branch has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 23.10.2019. Sh.Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from the same Zone of the Municipal

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**AC No.548/2020**

Corporation comes present and produces letter dated 02.03.2020 and states that information relating to Max City Hospital and Trauma Centre had already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 27.03.2019.

5. The appellant was contacted on phone. He denies to have received the notice for today's hearing which does not appear to be correct as the notice is sent by registered post. He also denies having received any information.

6. Both the representatives of the PIOs from Zone A of Municipal Corporation Ludhiana are directed to send the same information by registered post once again to the appellant. On receipt of same, the appellant will point out shortcomings, if any, to the PIO before next date of hearing. PIO will address the shortcomings pointed out before the next hearing.

7. The appellant is advised to come present on the next date of hearing. The PIOs concerned are also directed to come present on the next date of hearing to ensure early closure of the case.

8. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM.**  
Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

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**Sh.Kamaljit Singh**  
#395-L, Model Town,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-C, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-C, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

**AC No.545/2020**

**Present:** (i) Sh.Kamaljit Singh, appellant.  
(ii) Sh.Raj Kumar, Supdt. Municipal Corporation Zone-C,  
Ludhiana on behalf of PIO

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 25.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 10.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3. Sh. Kamaljit Singh, appellant comes present and states that no information has been provided to him in spite of repeated requests.

4. Shri Raj Kumar, Superintendent/ APIO comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information asked for by the appellant relates to a property held by his brothers and is third party information. The brothers are undergoing a property dispute in Court and hence, information sought cannot be provided being sub judice.

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**AC No.545/2020**

5. The matter was deliberated at length with the appellant and the APIO. The PIO was then directed to file an affidavit duly attested by the Notary Public, giving full details of the property in question as also stating the fact that property is under dispute and case is sub judice. It should also be stated in the affidavit that the details given factual. Nothing has been concealed therein.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

**Sd/-  
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



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**Sh.Tarsem Lal S/o Sh.Mahant Ram,**  
Mohalla Cool Wala, H.No.S-15719  
Ward No.48, Near Ex-Fauji Tilak Raj  
VPO Sarna, Pathankot-145025.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
Seva Kendra, Mallakpur  
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot

**First Appellate Authority,**  
Seva Kendra, Mallakpur  
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot

...Respondents

**AC No.540/2020**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant is absent.**  
(ii) **Sh.Varinder Kumar, Seva Kendra, Mallakpur**  
**O/o D.C. Pathankot, on behalf of PIO.**  
(iii) **Smt. Geeta Rani, about whom information has been sought by**  
**the appellant.**

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 19.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 24.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3. The appellant is absent. An e-mail has been received from him vide which he has shown his inability to attend the hearing due to ill health.

4. Shri Varinder Kumar, representative of the PIO comes present and produces letter dated 03.03.2020 containing information about Smt. Geeta Rani, Smt. Geeta Rani is also present before the Bench. She clarifies that the appellant is her father-in-law and the information sought by him relates to her and is her personal information. She further states that she has a marital discord and does not give her consent to share the information with the appellant.

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**AC No.540/2020**

5. The Bench, after deliberations, observes that information sought by the appellant is personal information relating to a third party the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest. In addition, Smt. Geeta Rani, the affected individual, has denied consent to share her personal information with the appellant. Under provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, the information sought is denied to the appellant.

6. With the above observations, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.**  
Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

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**Sh. Tirlochan Singh,**  
H.No.848A, MIG Jamalpur Colony  
Ludhiana, Distt. Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

**AC No.526/2020**

**Present:** (i) **Sh.Tirlochan Singh, Appellant.**  
(ii) **None is present on behalf of PIO**

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 04.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 04.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3. The Appellant comes present and states that only partial information has been provided to him. Certain information has been withheld and he is not satisfied with the information supplied.

4. Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO. However, a letter dated 17.02.2020 is available on file, stating that the information on point No.1 & 2 has been supplied.

5. The matter was discussed with the appellant. He states that one Rohit Sood, Clerk is working in the office of RTA Ludhiana. According to the appellant, 10-12 persons have made complaints against the said Rohit Sood and he has sought information with regard to the names of persons who have made these complaints. He has been provided the information about one such complainant only. The appellant claims that balance of details have been withheld by the Department.

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**AC No.526/2020**

6. The Bench, post deliberations, directs the PIO to file an affidavit, duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that information supplied to the appellant is complete. No information has been withheld or concealed in the Appeal Case No.526 of 2019.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 07.04.2020 at 11.30 AM.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh  
04.03.2020

**Sd/-**  
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**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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**Sh.Kuldip Kumar Kaura**

Lecturer (Retd.)

#5-C, Phase-1, Urban Estate

Focal Point, Ludhiana

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Zonal Commissioner, Zone-C,

Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Zonal Commissioner, Zone-C,

Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

...Respondents

**AC No.503/2020**

**Present:**        **None.**

**ORDER**

1.                The RTI application is dated 11.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 06.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2.                Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3.                Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, appellant is absent. However, he has sent an e.mail vide which he has shown his inability to attend the hearing due to ill health. He has also requested for another date through Video Conference at Ludhiana.

4.                Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO nor any reply has been filed with regard to the supply of information to the appellant.

5.                The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing through Video Conference at O/o D.C. Ludhiana on **18.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**04.03.2020**

**Sd/-**  
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**Sh. Tirlochan Singh,**  
H.No.848A, MIG Jamalpur Colony  
Ludhiana, Distt. Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Director, State Transport Deptt.,  
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, State Transport Deptt.,  
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh..

...Respondents

**AC No.525/2020**

**Present:** (i) **Sh.Tirlochan Singh, Appellant.**  
(ii) **Sh.Avtar Singh, Senior Assistant is present on behalf of PIO**

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 14.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 04.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.
3. The Appellant comes present and states that he had raised five points in his RTI application. He has received information on points No.1, 2, 4 & 5 but only partial information has been provided to him regarding Point No.3.
4. The matter was discussed at length with the appellant and representative of the PIO. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of PIO assures to supply balance of information on Point No.3 within a week.
5. With the assurance given by the representative of PIO Shri Avtar Singh, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be given to concerned.

**Chandigarh**  
**04.03.2020**

**Sd/-**  
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**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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**Dr. K.V. Sharma, Advocate**

S/o Late Sh.Sadhu Ram Sharma  
R/o 1446/13, Urban Estate,  
Karnal (Haryana).

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The Tehsildar,  
Batala Distt. Gurdaspur

**First Appellate Authority-cum-,**

O/o The Tehsildar,  
Batala Distt. Gurdaspur

Public Information Officer-cum-  
Office Kanungo,  
O/o Tehsildar, Batala,  
District Gurdaspur

...Respondents

**AC No.504/2020**

**Present:**

(i) **Dr.K.V. Sharma, Appellant**

(ii) **Sh. Manpreet Singh, Patwari O/o Tehsildar Batala  
District Gurdaspur.**

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 03.07.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 06.09.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.01.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.

3. The appellant Dr. K.V. Sharma comes present and states that he has sought certain information regarding the properties of Dayal Singh College, Lahore in district Gurdaspur, which have not been provided to him so far.

4. Shri Manpreet Singh, Patwari comes present on behalf of the PIO. He produces authority letter and also produces another letter dated 28.02.2020 which are taken on record. It is stated in the letter dated 28.02.2020 that the appellant has been provided information vide their office letter No.12.09.2019 and further states that he has sought

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information on Jamabandi records of village Mirza Jan. Shri Manpreet Singh further states that Office of Tehsildar, Batala has records post the year 1961-62. He explains that land and revenue records prior to this period are held with Office Kanungo, O/o Tehsildar, Batala and are in Urdu.

5. The matter was discussed with the appellant and representative of the PIO. In pursuance of the discussion, the Office Kanungo, O/o Tehsildar, Batala, District Gurdaspur is impleaded as the respondent. He is directed to bring all the relevant record right from the partition of country till 1961-62 relating to village Mirza Jan, District Gurdaspur to the Punjab State Information Commission for perusal by the appellant before the Bench. The appellant is advised to bring along a person proficient in Urdu for perusal of land & revenue records post partition.

6. With the above directions, the case is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **07.04.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

**Sd/-  
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Sh. Gurpreet Singh  
# 2163, Tibbi Sahib Road,  
Gau Shala Wali Street,  
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o The General Manager,  
Punjab Roadways,  
Sri Muktsar Sahib

...Respondents

**CC No.134/2019**

**Present:** None.

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 16.12.2019 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 28.01.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.
3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, complainant is absent. He has, however, sent an e-mail showing his inability to attend the hearing.
4. Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO nor any reply has been filed with regard to the supply of information to the complainant.
5. To hear both the complainant and the PIO, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**04.03.2020**

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Sh. Sukhwinder Singh  
S/o Sh.Swaran Singh  
R/o 217/84, Christian Colony  
Aliwal Road,Batala  
District Gurdaspur.

.....Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o The Sr. Supdt. Of Police,  
Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur.

...Respondents

**CC No.115/2019**

**Present:** None.

**ORDER**

1. The RTI application is dated 21.10.2019 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 28.01.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.03.2020 by the Commission.
3. Shri Sukhwinder Singh, complainant is absent. He has neither come present nor has sent any intimation in this regard.
4. Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO. A letter dated 20.02.2020 has been received from the PIO –cum- Senior Superintendent of Police, Batala wherein it has been stated that the information to the appellant has been sent vide their letter dated 17.02.2020.
5. To hear both the complainant and PIO together, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**04.03.2020**

**Sd/-**  
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**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Sh. Davinder Singh  
# 353, Phase-2,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)

Versus

.....Appellant

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority  
PUDA Bhawan, Phase-VIII,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority  
PUDA Bhawan, Phase-VIII,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)

...Respondents

**AC No.4010/2019**

**Present:** (i) Mrs. Saroj Kumari W/o Sh.Davinder Singh, Appellant.  
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. On behalf of the appellant Shri Davinder Singh, his wife Mrs. Saroj Kumari comes present and produces authority letter. She states that the requisite information has not been provided to the appellant yet.
3. None has come present on behalf of the PIO. It is observed that the PIO has absented himself from the hearing for the fourth consecutive time. Such an indifferent attitude towards the orders of the Commission shows utter disregard for the authority of the Commission on the part of PIO. Such way of working of PUDA authorities is highly deplorable.
4. The show cause notice already stands issued to the PIO and he has already been given opportunities twice to file reply to the show cause notice by way of affidavit. The PIO, PUDA has not bothered to give response to the show cause notice nor to send any intimation regarding the cause of absence nor has supplied any information to the appellant.

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5. Looking to the fact that no information sought by the appellant has been provided, the PIO is given another opportunity to file an affidavit in reply to the show cause notice and to come present in person on the next date of hearing. It is made clear that in case he fails to comply with the direction of the Bench, no other opportunity will be given and penal proceedings shall be initiated.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.03.2020 at 11.30AM.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

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Sh. Avtar Singh  
S/o Late S. Daljeet Singh  
Vill. & PO Chuharwali,  
District Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Punjab Urban Planning and  
Development Authority, Jalandhar.

Public Information Officer  
O/o Estate Officer, Jalandhar  
Development Authority, Jalandhar.

Public Information Officer  
O/o District Town Planner,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority,  
Jalandhar.

...Respondents

**AC No.3990/2019**

**Present:**

- (i), Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Sh.Sanjeev Sharma, SDE-cum-PIO, O/o Estate Officer, Jalandhar  
Development Authority, Jalandhar.
- (iii) None on behalf of PIO, O/o District Town Planner, Jalandhar.
- (iv) None from O/o PUDA Jalandhar.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The appellant is absent from the hearing without any intimation to the Commission. He is absent for the fourth consecutive hearing.
3. The PIO O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar comes present and states that the information concerning their Branch has already been provided to the appellant.
4. The matter was deliberated upon by the Bench. It emerges that the information stands supplied to the appellant, however, Shri Chander Shekhar Office of Estate Officer, Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar was required to file an affidavit as per

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directions given on the previous hearing. The same is still pending and Shri Chander Shekhar has also not come in person for today's hearing in spite of the directions of the Bench.

5. Now, the PIO O/o PUDA Jalandhar and the APIO-cum-Superintendent Sh.Chander Shekhar O/o Estate Officer, Jalandhar Development Authority are again given an opportunity to comply with the orders of the Bench and file an affidavit, duly attested by the Notary Public as per directions given on 24.02.2020.

6. The Appellant is also advised to come present in person on the next date of hearing at Chandigarh, failing which the case will be decided in absentia.

7. To come up for hearing on **25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Lal Chand S/o Sh.Rikhi Singh  
R/o H.No.59, Roayl Residency,  
Sector-127(Behind ACME Alivista  
Smart Homes),Chhajju Majra,  
Mohali.

.... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Punjab State Power Corp. Ltd.,  
Sub Division, Kharar, Distt. Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Punjab State Power Corp. Ltd.,  
Sub Division, Kharar, Distt. Mohali.

... Respondents

**AC No.4059/2019**

**Present:** (i) Sh.Lal Chand, Appellant  
(ii) None is present on behalf of the PIO/Respondents.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.

2. Sh.Lal Chand, appellant comes present and states that he has not received any information with regard to his RTI application so far.

3. None has come present on behalf of the PIO. It is observed that the PIO has absented himself from the hearing for the third consecutive time. This shows an indifferent attitude of PSPCL towards the authority of the Punjab State Information Commission. The attitude is highly deplorable.

4. The show cause notice already stands issued to the PIO. He has already been given opportunities twice to file reply to the show cause notice by way of affidavit. The PIO, PSPCL Sub Division, Kharar, District Mohali, has neither bothered to give response to the show cause notice nor to send any intimation regarding reason for his absence nor has supplied any information to the appellant.

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5. Looking to the fact that information sought by the appellant has not been provided, the PIO is given another opportunity to file an affidavit in reply to the show cause notice and to come present in person on the next date of hearing. It is made clear that in case he fails to comply with the direction of the Bench, no other opportunity will be given and penal proceedings shall be initiated.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

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**Sh.Rakesh Kumar**  
B-1/860, Street B-7,  
Ram Nagar, Sunam  
Udham Singh Wala,  
District Sangrur.

..Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Director, Cultural Affairs,  
Archaeology, Museums Deptt.  
Punjab, Sector-38, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, Cultural Affairs,  
Archaeology, Museums Deptt.  
Punjab, Sector-38, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

**AC No.4146/2019**

Present: (i) Sh.Rakesh Kumar, Appellant is absent.  
(ii) Smt. Mandeep Kaur, Supdt./ PIO, O/o Director, Cultural Affairs,  
Archaeology, Museums Deptt., Punjab, Sector-38, Chandigarh.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar has neither come present nor any intimation in this regard has been received from him.
3. Smt. Mandeep Kaur, Supdt./PIO, O/o Director, Cultural Affairs, Archaeology, Punjab, Sector-38, Chandigarh comes present and files reply to the show cause notice issued to the PIO on the previous date of hearing, which is taken on record. Keeping in view all the facts mentioned in the reply, the show cause notice is dropped.
4. The Bench then observes that the requisite information already stands supplied to the appellant as he had sought similar information through another RTI application.
5. In view of the above, no further intervention of the Commission is called for. The appeal is **disposed off and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

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**Sh.Tilak Raj**

Retd. Lecturer, English  
Village Tanda Churian  
PO Chanour, Tehsil Mukerian,  
District Hoshiarpur.

..Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o District Education Officer (Sec.Edu.)  
Mini Secretariat, Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

**CC No.961/2019**

**Present:**        **None.**

**ORDER**

1.                This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2.                The complainant Sh.Tilak Raj has not come present for today's hearing nor any intimation has been received from him in this regard.
3.                The PIO has neither come present in person nor has sent any authorized representative to attend the hearing nor he has provided information to the complainant. PIO was also absent for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive hearing. This indifferent attitude of the PIO was viewed adversely by the Bench and for his lackadaisical and indifferent attitude, he was also issued show cause notice on the previous date of hearing.
4.                The Bench observes that the PIO has not bothered to attend the hearing in person or to file reply to the show cause notice. He is, therefore, directed once again to file reply to the show cause notice as also to provide the requisite information to the complainant before the next date of hearing, failing which the penal proceedings shall be initiated.
5.                With the aforesaid directions, the case is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.03.2020 at 11.30 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**04.03.2020**

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Sh. Ashwani Kumar  
S/o Sh.Kapil Dev,  
H.No.B-005/00490,  
Dashmesh Nagar, Kharar,  
District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Director, Public Instruction(SE),  
Punjab, Vidya Bhawan, Phase-VIII  
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, Public Instruction(SE),  
Punjab, Vidya Bhawan, Phase-VIII  
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

**AC No.4109/2019**  
**Alongwith**  
**AC No.4110/2019**

**Present:** (i) Shri Ashwani Kumar, Appellant  
(ii) Shri Rajesh Sood, Registrar-cum-PIO O/o DPI (SE), Punjab, Mohali,  
the respondent.

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The appellant comes present and states that he has not received the balance information from the PIO.
3. Sh. Rajesh Sood, PIO comes present and states that the file containing balance of information sought by the appellant has been put up to the Secretary, Higher Education and is under process and consideration and thus cannot be shared with the appellant. He further adds that as and when the file is received back, the balance of information will be provided to the appellant.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that for the time being, at least copy of rules, especially with regard to the withholding of his gratuity, be provided to him. PIO assures the Bench to provide the same to the appellant within a week.

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5. In view of the assurance given by the PIO to the Bench to provide the requisite information to the appellant, both the appeals are disposed off and closed. Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
04.03.2020**

**Sd/-  
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**