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Sh. Gurmeet Singh  
S/o Sh. Gurdev Singh,  
H. No. 46, Aman Colony, Defence Bandh,  
Sirhind, Distt. – Sri Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab)  
(M.-9872645290)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The District Education Officer (Sec.),  
Sri Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority  
O/o The Director,  
Public Instructions (Sec.) Pb.,  
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,  
Sector 62, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

**Complaint Case No. 442 of 2023**  
**(Converted into Appeal-case)**

Present : Sh. Gurmeet Singh the appellant, in person .  
i) Sh. Shamsheer Singh (M.-9501033350), Deputy D. E. O. (Sec.), Sri Fatehgarh Sahib;  
ii) Sh. Suchinder Singh (M.-9888145250), Legal Assistant ;  
iii) Sh. Deepak Malhotra (M.-9814667509), Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2024 and both the parties were directed to remain present on the fixed date for deliberations.

2. Today, the respondent has brought the information which is handed over to the appellant but he has shown no satisfaction rather a submission has already been submitted by the appellant which has revealed that incomplete information has been given to him and few points of the information relates with 'third party' information.

3. Now opportunity has been given to the respondent to make clear that which information relates to 'third party' information as mentioned in an earlier order dated 18.09.2023 which has been passed by the predecessor. The appellant is also directed to go through the information given to him today and directed to submit deficiencies again, in writing, so that matter could be taken to logical end.

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4. The respondent is also directed to explain 'third party' information categorically and specifically so that it should be easy to go through the submissions as well as to meet the ends of justice.
5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Date :6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024  
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Sh. Vihaan Kanwal,  
S/o Sh. Parveen Kanwal,  
Sulekh Ram Building ,  
Near Indian Overseas Bank  
GT Road, Tehsil Khanna,  
Distt Ludhiana-141401.  
M : 9988555776  
RTI Application No 63541

..Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)
- ii) Sh. Abhishek Bansal  
Assistant Transport Commissioner-cum-  
Public Information Officer,  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

..Respondent(s)

**Appeal Case No. 4106 of 2023**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Vikram Singh(M.-7696267156), Clerk O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana, for respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 27.03.2024. On that day of hearing, none of the parties were present. Last opportunity was granted to the appellant to remain present on the fixed date of hearing . A show-cause notice was under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 was issued to Sh. Abhishek Bansal, ATO-cum- PIO office of Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana.

2. The appellant is absent from today's hearing i. e. 06.06.2024.

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3. Sh. Vikram Singh, Clerk office of Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana is present in today's hearing rather a reply has been sent by the PIO but non-presence of Sh. Abhishek Bansal, ATO-cum- PIO is not sustainable in the eyes of the law. Rather, he should be present to explain the reply of show-cause issued in this case so that his presence be marked and queries raised by the appellant, if any, be answered.

4. Nevertheless, one more opportunity is given to the appellant as well as to Sh. Abhishek Bansal, ATO-cum- PIO office of Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana to appear in person before the Commission on the next date fixed .

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Date :6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

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Sh. Darbara Singh,  
H. No.212, Street No.12,  
Deep Nagar, PO Anaj Mandi,  
Patiala (Punjab)

.....Appellant

Vs.

- i) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Hon'ble Minister,  
Social Security, Women and Child Welfare, PB.,  
Chandigarh.
- ii) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Hon'ble Minister,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, PB.,  
Chandigarh
- iii) The Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Hon'ble Minister,  
Social Security, Women and Child Welfare, PB.,  
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 4210 of 2023**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
i) Sh. Gurpreet Singh(M.-8427090096), Senior Assistant O/o Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab, Mohali ;  
ii) Sh. Jagmohan Singh(M.-9463425569), Panchayat Secretary of Block  
Bagha Purana ; for the respondent.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.03.2024.  
On that day of hearing, PIO office of Director, Rural Development and Panchayats Department,  
Punjab, was impleaded as necessary party in this case to file a reply/supply the information.

2. The respondent stated that information has been provided to the appellant  
through registered post and the appellant is not present today to explain whether he has  
received the information or satisfied with the information. A copy of the information sent to the  
appellant as well as postal receipt is submitted to the Commission.

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3. Nevertheless, **last opportunity** is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not and also to explain deficiencies, if any. He is also directed to be present on the next date of hearing for the speedy justice.

4. With this, the case is **adjourned to 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Date :6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024  
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Sh. Jaspal Singh  
S/o Sh. Maghar Singh,  
Village - Mattra, P.O. - Nadampur,  
Tehsil - Bhawanigarh,  
Distt. -Sangrur-148026(Punjab)

.....Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Principal,  
Govt. High School,  
Bamana, Distt. - Patiala(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Public Instructions (Sec.) Pb.,  
Vidhya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,  
Sector 68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4232 of 2023**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Mangat Singh(M.-9872065733), Incharge, Bamna High School ;
- ii) Ms. Amanpreet Kaur(M.-9814380044), Headmistress, G. H. S. Moti Bagh Ramgarh, Patiala ;
- iii) Ms. Daljit Kaur(M.-8168554868), Senior Assistant O/o D.P.I.(Sec.), Mohali, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 27.03.2024. On that day of hearing, the appellant submitted that he has received partial information pertaining to point no. 01, 05 and 06 of the RTI application and handed over a copy of the deficiencies in the provided information, to the respondent during the course of hearing. The respondent requested for an adjournment in this and assured that the remaining information will be sent to the appellant through registered post.

2. Sh. Mangat Singh, Incharge, Bamna High School ; Ms. Amanpreet Kaur, Headmistress, G. H. S. Moti Bagh Ramgarh, Patiala ; Ms. Daljit Kaur , Senior Assistant of Director, Public Instructions (Sec.) Punjab, Mohali are present in today's hearing and submit submissions as well as information given to the appellant through registered post on 15.05.2024 and postal receipt has also been placed.

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3. The appellant through telephonic communication intimated that he is not able to attend today's hearing and also intimated that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.
4. Nevertheless, last opportunity is granted to the appellant to place deficiencies on the next date of hearing rather he is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for speedy justice.
5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Date :6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024  
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Sh. Gursharan Singh,  
# 133-L, Chandigarh Road,  
Near Namdev Bhawan,  
Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana(Punjab)  
(M: 9876400267)

.....Appellant

Vs.

- i) Public Information Officer  
O/o The Headmaster,  
Govt. High School,  
Bhadla Nicha,  
Ludhiana(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer  
O/o The District Education Officer (SE),  
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Education Officer (SE),  
Ludhiana(Punjab)

.....Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 4247 of 2023**

Present : Sh. Gursharan Singh, the appellant in person.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.03.2024. On that day of hearing, Ms. Hardaljit Kaur, Headmistress of Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha, submitted that she has joined in the office recently and requested for an adjournment in this case. Accordingly a copy of the RTI request was handed over to the respondent during the course of the hearing with the directions to file a reply/supply the information.

2. The respondent PIO i. e. Headmistress of Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha, through an e-mail has intimated that she is not able to attend today's hearing. Also none came present from office of District Education Officer (SE), Ludhiana.

3. A request of Ms. Hardaljit Kaur, Headmistress of Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha, through an e-mail has been received, intimating that she is unable to attend the hearing today. The request is not sustainable but to meet the justice, the request is allowed but no such request of Ms. Hardaljit Kaur would be entitled in future.

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**Appeal Case No. 4247 of 2023**

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4. The appellant filed an application by seeking information on 02.11.2022 before the then Principal, Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha and he is retired on 28.02.2023 as submitted by the appellant. Before the retirement, the stipulated period to provide the information was available to Sh. Jaswinder Singh (the then PIO) to supply the information to the appellant but non supply of the information is a clear lapse on his (Sh. Jaswinder Singh the then PIO) part. It is my presumption that non providing the information to the appellant be with some anticipation, which is not fair.

5. The appellant also submits that few charge sheets are pending against him and he has also approached the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court and the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court remanded back his case to Enquiry Officer to enquire the matter to reveal the truth so that right of the appellant be protected.

6. Accordingly, Sh. Paramjit Singh, Director, Public Instructions (Sec.) Punjab, Mohali is directed to take-up the matter on his own level and issue the directions to meet ends of the justice and also direct Ms. Hardaljit Kaur, Headmistress of Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha, to appear in person before the Commission to explain that why the information has not been provided within stipulated period and also requires an action to be taken against Sh. Jaswinder Singh (the then Principal,) Govt. High School, Bhadla Nicha, who is retired on 28.02.2023, as per procedure established by the Law.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Date :6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

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CC :

**(Inderpal Singh)**  
Chief Information Commissioner  
Punjab

- i) Sh. Paramjit Singh, PCS,  
Director, Public Instructions (Elem.) Pb.,  
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,  
Sector 62,S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)
- ii) Ms. Hardaljit Kaur,  
Headmistress,  
Govt. High School,  
Bhadla Nicha,  
Ludhiana(Punjab)

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**Sh. Harwinder Singh Advocate,**  
# 7009, 7th Floor, District Court,  
Ludhiana.

..Appellant

Vs

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Naib Tehsildar,  
Sahnewal

**Sh. Jagdeep Inder Singh**  
Public Information Officer, O/o Naib Tehsildar, Koom Kalan,  
Now Tehsildar, Malerkotla

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o DC, Ludhiana.

..Respondent(s)

**Appeal Case No. 4364 of 2023**

**Present:-** Advocate, Sh. Harwinder Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Jagdeep Inder Singh Sodhi, Naib Tehsildar (9814039922) on behalf of  
the respondents.

#### **ORDER**

This case may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.03.2024. During the said hearing, respondent submitted an affidavit and a copy of same was handed over to the representative of the appellant to file a counter reply before the next date of hearing. The case was adjourned for further hearing on 06.06.2024 i.e. today.

2. The appellant submits his counter reply and copy of the same is handed over to the respondent during the course of hearing. The appellant also pointed out the issue in the affidavit filed by Sh. Jagdeep Inder Singh Sodhi, Naib Tehsildar, Sahnewal, is not attested. Later on it comes in knowledge that no date is on the affidavit, today i.e. 27.03.2024, deponent Sh. Jagdeep Inder Singh Sodhi is directed to put the date when the affidavit was filed on 27.03.2024 and now the date has been written down 27.03.2024 as affidavit was prepared on 27.03.2024 by the respondent during the course of hearing. So, the issue of the date of affidavit is resolved because deponent admitted signature and put date 27.03.2024 on affidavit. The appellant is at liberty to consider that affidavit filed by the respondent dated 27.03.2024.



**Appeal Case No. 4364 of 2023**

Further, he placed a letter which has been obtained under RTI from the competent authority wherein the signature of the Naib Tehsildar, Koom Kalan depicts that some sort of moment have been taken placed on alleged place explained by the appellant. A copy of the same letter is also handed over to the respondent during the course of hearing.

3. The respondent submits that he was not posted in the office of Naib Tehsildar, Koom Kalan during the period pertaining to the RTI application. After going through the supplied documents (counter reply and letter dated 13.06.2019), he requested to call the respondent from the office of Naib Tehsildar, Koom Kalan for the proper clarity.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, **Sh. Manpreet Singh**, Naib Tehsildar, Koom Kalan, District Ludhiana is impleaded as **necessary party**; rather he can disclose the facts properly on the next date of hearing, failing which stringent action will be taken against him. A copy of this order along with RTI application and letter dated 13.06.2019, so that it will be convenient to furnish the information, if any, available, to the appellant.

5. Sh. Jagdeep Inder Singh Sodhi is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

6. To come up on **28.08.2024 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

**Date:06.06.2024**

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**CC:**

**Sh. Manpreet Singh**  
Naib Tehsildar,  
Koom Kalan,  
District Ludhiana

**(Inderpal Singh)**  
**Chief Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

Encl. RTI application and letter dated 13.06.2019

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**Sh. Sudager Singh,**  
S/o Sh. Chajja Singh,  
R/o 855, Sector 70, SAS Nagar.

..Appellant

Vs

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Supdt, Accounts, Branch-1,  
General Administration Department, PB,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

**Public Information Officer**  
Cum Superintendent  
Establishment 1 Branch,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Chief Secretary, PB, Chandigarh.

..respondent(s)

### **Appeal Case No. 4527 of 2023**

**Present:-** Sh. Saudagar Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Raj Kumar, Senior Assistant, Accounts Branch) (8427779039) on behalf  
of the respondents.

#### **ORDER**

This case may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2024. During the said hearing, appellant was directed to establish the 'Larger Public Interest' involved in seeking the third party information. The case was adjourned for further hearing on 06.06.2024 i.e. today.

2. The appellant present and submits that para 3 of the order dated 28.03.2024 depicts that the information had been provided to the appellant but the appellant submits that no information has been provided to him. Rather he also argued that RTI application should be transferred within stipulated time period relates with partial information, which has not been transferred. The information demanded by the appellant in his RTI application para 3 (a) and (b) are two different information and may also be gathered from two different branches.

3. Ms. Nidhi, Senior Assistant is not present for today, as she can only explain what mode was opted to send the information to the appellant. Rather larger public interest is required and be assessed on the next date of hearing when Ms. Nidhi (SA) will appear.



**Appeal Case No. 4527 of 2023**

4. The issue of third party is also the main point; Sh. Raj Kumar from accounts branch is present and he alleged that this information relating to 3<sup>rd</sup> party and respondent had contacted the third party i.e. Sh. Vivek Swami, Senior Law Officer but he denied to disclose his information.
5. Both the points i.e. 3 (a) and 3 (b) as demanded by the appellant be discussed on the next fix date when Ms. Nidhi (SA) will be available. Accordingly, Ms. Nidhi is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing; otherwise stringent action will be taken against her as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. A copy of this order is **being sent** to her through registered post for her ready reference.
6. Respondent, Sh. Raj Kumar from accounts branch is directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end.
7. The appellant is also directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing to pursue the case, failing which case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
8. To come up on **08.08.2024 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

**Date:06.06.2024**

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**(Inderpal Singh)**  
**Chief Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

**CC:**

**Ms. Nidhi (Senior Assistant),**  
Cum Superintendent  
Establishment 1 Branch,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh