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Sh Amritpal Singh, S/o Sh Kulwant Singh,
R/o Vishal Colony, Ward No-13,
Patti, Distt Taran Tarn.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM,
Rajpura.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 215 of 2020

PRESENT: Sh.Amritpal Singh for the Appellant
Smt.Harwinder Kaur, Suptd. O/o SDM Rajpura for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 18.12.2019 sought information regarding copy of ST/ST certificate submitted by Sh.Baljinder Singh, Craft Instructor of Govt Industrial Training Institute Rajpura at the time of appointment and other information from the office of SDM Rajpura. The complainant was not provided the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 03.03.2020.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent is present at Chandigarh and pleaded that the information sought by the complainant is not specified since the complainant has not mentioned the number and date of certificate in his RTI application and the appellant has been sent reply on 03.01.2020. The respondent further informed that information relates ITI Rajpura.

The PIO has however, not transferred the RTI application to the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to procure the information from the concerned PIO and provide to the appellant.

The PIO-ITI Rajpura is also impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information that whether this particular candidate has been appointed under SC/ST category or general category. No certificate to be provided yet, except information that under what category has he been appointed.

To come up for further hearing on **09.11.2020 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, **Amritsar**. PIO to appear at **Chandigarh**.

Chandigarh
Dated 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to PIO-Industrial Training Institute, ,
Rajpura.

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Sh Ram Murti,
Sandhu Colony, Jalandhar Road,
Mehta Chowk, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Engineer,
Operation, PSPCL, Border Zone,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 438 of 2019

PRESENT: None for the Complainant
Sh.Ramesh Kumar, SDO PSPCL Rayya Div. for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard on 09.09.2019. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the complainant. The complainant was not satisfied and informed that the PIO has not provided the action taken report on his complaint.

Hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide status of the complaint filed by the complainant.

The case was again heard on **04.12.2019**. The respondent pleaded that the information has already been provided to the appellant in the last hearing. The appellant was absent. At that hearing, the appellant had expressed dissatisfaction.

The PIO was directed to provide whatever action has been taken on the complaint of the appellant filed on 07.12.2018 against Addl.SE-PSPCL Rayya Division and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the date of hearing on **02.03.2020**, the respondent present sought some more time to provide the information. The complainant was absent.

The case was last heard on **02.07.2020** through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was given one more opportunity to provide the information and send a compliance report to the Commission otherwise the Commission will be constrained to issue show cause under section 20 of the RTI Act against the PIO.

Hearing dated 15.09.2020:

The respondent present pleaded that no action has been taken on the complaint of the complainant and the reply has been sent to the complainant on 24.08.2020. The complainant is absent and vide email has sought exemption.

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The Commission observes that the reply has been sent to the complainant after a gap of one and half year and there has been an enormous delay in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.11.2020 at 11.00 AM through video conference** facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Harjit Singh, S/o ShTarsem Singh,
R/o Rose Avenue Chamari Road,
Ajnala, Distt Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Addl, SE, Operational,
PSPCL, Division, Ajnala,
Distt Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer,
Border Zone, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 909 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Harjit Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Rajesh Kumar, SDO –PSPCL Ajnala for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard on 18.06.2019. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant was not satisfied and stated that regarding point-1, he had sought copies of MCO and SCO issued for the said electric connections. The respondent pleaded that the record stands destroyed being more than 20 years old. The PIO was directed to enquire into the matter and submit a complete enquiry report which establishes that the record is missing or destroyed as per the procedure.

The information regarding point-2 & 6 had been provided. The PIO was directed to get information regarding point-3 from the Computer Cell and provide to the appellant. The PIO was also directed to provide information on point-4 and sort out the anomaly regarding point-5.

The case was again heard on **28.11.2019**. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent pleaded that the information has not been received from the computer cell. The PIO was given one more opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and provide the information to the appellant within 10 days

On the date of hearing on **27.01.2020**, both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

The case was again heard on **22.06.2020** through video conferencing at DAC, Amritsar. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information as per the RTI application. The respondent present pleaded that the available information has been provided and no further information is available in their record. Hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to give in writing on an affidavit that the information provided to the appellant is true, complete and no further information is available in their record. The affidavit be provided within 10 days with a copy to the Commission.

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The case was last heard on **28.07.2020** through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claimed that the affidavit provided by the PIO was not as per order of the Commission. The respondent informed that they have sent the affidavit to the Commission.

Having gone through the affidavit, the Commission found that the affidavit is not in order. The PIO was directed to provide fresh affidavit mentioning therein that whatever the information provided to the appellant (that was sought by the appellant vide RTI application dated 06.11.2018), is true, complete and no other information is available in their record.

Hearing dated 15.09.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Amritsar. As per appellant, the fresh affidavit has not been provided by the PIO. The respondent assured to provide the same within a week.

The PIO is directed to provide fresh affidavit as per the earlier order of the Commission within a week and send a compliance report to the Commission otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action against the PIO as per provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

To come up for compliance on **09.11.2020 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Harbans Singh, S/o Sh.ChunniLal,
Kothi No-1, Ward No-1, Near SD School,
FatehgarhChurian, Distt.Gurdaspur.

...Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
Commissioner, Nagar Nigam,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
Director, Local Govt,
Sector-35, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1397 of 2018

Present: None for the Appellant
Ms.Harpreet Kaur, Building Inspector-APIO (earlier deemed PIO-MC Amritsar) and Sh.Narinder Kumar Sharma,PIO-MC Asr for the Respondent

ORDER:

This order should be considered in continuation to the earlier order.

On the date of hearing of **11.03.2019**, APIO-Harpreet Kaur(deemed PIO in this case) was found guilty for repeated and willful defiance of the Punjab State Information Commission's orders, a penalty of **Rs.25, 000/-**was imposed upon Ms.Harpreet Kaur, APIO-cum-deemed PIO, O/o Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Amritsar and directed to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the orders by producing a copy of the challan justifying the deposition of the penalty in the Govt Treasury. The PIO was again directed to provide part of the information i.e. the names of the property holders only to the appellant within a week.

On the date of hearing on **28.08.2019**. Ms.Harpreet Kaur appeared and informed that she never got the order. However, she assured to comply with the order of Commission before the next date of hearing. One more opportunity was granted to Ms.Harpreet Kaur,Building Inspector (Technical), MC Moga (earlier APIO-cum-deemed PIO, O/o Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Amritsar) and directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and submit proof of having deposited the amount of penalty in the Govt. Treasury.

The appellant was absent. The appellant vide email has informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The present PIO was again absent. The present PIO-MC Amritsar was given one last opportunity to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days and directed to send a compliance report to the Commission; otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action as per RTI Act.

On the last date of hearing which was fixed on **02.12.2019**, Ms.Harpreet Kaur,Building Inspector (Technical), MC Moga (earlier APIO-cum-deemed PIO, O/o Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Amritsar) was present and pleaded that she was unable to deposit the penalty amount because she had not got salary for last 11 months. Sr. Town Planner, MC Moga was directed to look into the matter and send a reply to the Commission on the claim of the respondent that she is unable to deposit the penalty since she has not received salary from 11 months. The PIO-MC Amritsar was absent.

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On the date of next hearing on **18.02.2020**, Ms.Harpreet Kaur, Building Inspector (Technical), MC Moga (earlier APIO-cum-deemed PIO, O/o Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Amritsar) pleaded that she was still unable to deposit the penalty amount because she had not got salary and pleaded for more time. The plea was accepted and she was given one more opportunity to deposit the penalty amount before the next date of hearing.

Since the present PIO-MC Amritsar was continuously absent and there was nothing on record to show that the PIO had provided the information in compliance with the order of the Commission, the present PIO-MC Amritsar was issued a **show cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file reply on an affidavit.**

The case was last heard on 02.07.2020 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. Ms.Harpreet Kaur pleaded that she was still unable to deposit the penalty amount as she was not released the salary and she assured to deposit the same within a month. She was given one more opportunity to deposit the penalty amount.

As per appellant, the information was not provided. Mrs.Kulwinder Kaur, building inspector appeared and stated that the document regarding ownership is not available in their record. The PIO was directed to give this in writing on an affidavit.

The respondent did not bring any reply to the show cause notice. The PIO was given one last opportunity to send reply to the show cause notice and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

Hearing dated 15.09.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Amritsar. Ms.Harpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, MC Moga(earlier APIO-cum-Deemed PIO,MC Amritsar) informed that she has deposited the amount of penalty and a copy of challan sent to the Commission through email. The Commission has received a copy of challan as a proof of having deposited the amount of penalty in the Govt Treasury by Ms.Harpreet Kaur which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

Regarding information, Sh.Narinder Kumar Sharma, PIO-MC Amritsar is present and informed that the information is 3rd party, it cannot be provided.

The Commission is of the view that since the people have name plates on their houses, which virtually amounts to announcement of who lives in the house, I see no reason to not provide the name of the property holder to the appellant. The PIO is directed to provide the name of the property holder at the time the RTI application was filed. The information be provided within a week. The decision on show cause will be taken on the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.11.2020 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated: 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to :1. The Chief Commissioner,
Nagar Nigam, Amritsar

2. Ms.HarpreetKaur, Building Inspector,
Municipal Corporation, Moga.

3. Sr.Town Planner, MC, Moga.



registered post.

Sh. Tarsem Singh, S/o ShNishan Singh,
Roj Avenue, Chamriari Road,
Ajnala, Amritsar

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Addl, SE (Operational),
PSPCL, Division Ajnala,
Distt Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, Border Zone,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3057 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh. Harjit Singh son of Sh.Tarsem Singh for the Appellant
Sh.Anishdeep Singh Addl. SE PSPCL Ajnala for the Respondent

ORDER:

Facts of the case-

That the appellant through RTI application dated 30.04.2019 sought information regarding copy of application form/request dated 25.08.2015 for electric connection No.A11SA441492M alongwith copy of bills issued and other information from the office of Addl. SE (Operational), PSPCL Division Ajnala. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.05.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

That after filing first appeal, the PIO sent reply to the appellant vide letter dated 27.06.2019. On being not satisfied with the information, the appellant filed 2nd appeal in the Commission on 21.08.2019.

That the case first came up for hearing on 30.12.2019. The representative appeared on behalf of the appellant informed that the PIO has not provided the complete information. The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide the complete information to the appellant within 10 days.

That on the next date of hearing which was held on **17.03.2020**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing. There had been an enormous delay in providing the information. The PIO-Addl. SE(Operational), PSPCL Division Ajnala was issued a **show cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file reply on an affidavit.** The PIO was again directed to provide the complete information within 10 days of the receipt of this order.

That the case came up for hearing again on 04.08.2020 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

That the PIO-Additional SE (Operational) PSPCL, Division Ajnala was absent on 3rd consecutive hearing nor had filed reply to the show cause notice. To secure an erring PIO's presence before the commission the Information Commission, aailable Warrant under section 18(3) of the RTI Act of the PIO-Additional SE (Operational) PSPCL, Division Ajnala was issued through Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar for his presence before the Commission on **15.09.2020**.

Hearing dated 15.09.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent is present at Chandigarh and informed that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 03.09.2020 with a copy to the Commission. The Commission has received the copy of the information on 09.09.2020 which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

The appellant is not satisfied. Having gone through the information that has been provided and hearing both the parties, the following was concluded:

- Point-1 - Information provided
- Point-2 - Information provided. Appellant not satisfied. The PIO to give in writing on an affidavit that the meter number was wrongly entered but the same has been corrected.
- Point-3 - PIO to give reply on an affidavit
- Point-4 - PIO to give reply on an affidavit

The PIO has submitted reply to the show cause notice which has been taken on the file of the Commission. The decision on show cause will be taken on the next date of hearing.

A copy of the order is being sent to the Superintending Engineer, PSPCL Sub-urban, Circle Amritsar to enquire into the matter of mismatch of meter serial number and submit detailed enquiry report to the Commission.

To come up for further hearing on **09.11.2020 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to: Superintending Engineer, PSPCL Sub-urban,
Circle Amritsar



Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur, W/o Sh. Ajaypal Singh,
VPO Gumtala, Opp. Govt Dispensary,
Ward No-5, Amritsar. (9872139640).

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Project Director,
SarvSikhyaAbhiyan-cum-DEO (EE),
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DEO (EE),
Amritsar.

... Respondent

Appeal Case No. 472 of 2020

PRESENT: Mrs. Kamaldeep Kaur as the appellant
Sh. Mandeep Singh, Sr. Assistant O/o DEO (EE) Amritsar for the Respondent

ORDER: This order should be read in continuation to the previous order.

The appellant through RTI application dated 24.09.2019 has sought information regarding registration certificate, building safety certificate, fire safety certificate of Holy Step Public School Gumtala, District Amritsar – copy of approval granted from the office of Project Director, Sarv Sikhya Abhiyan-cum-DEO (EE), Amritsar. The appellant was denied the information by the PIO vide letter dated 21.10.2019 stating that the information is 3rd party, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 22.01.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 02.07.2020. During the hearing, the Commission observed that the PIO had not issued any notice to 3rd party and not followed the procedure as prescribed in section 11 of the RTI Act.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the Commission observed that the building safety certificate, fire safety certificate and school affiliation certificate are the public information and should be displayed on the notice board of the department. The PIO was directed to provide copy of these certificates to the appellant and if the information was not readily available, the PIO was directed to procure it from the concerned department/school and provide to the appellant.

On the date of next hearing on 28.07.2020, the respondent present from the office of DEO (EE) Amritsar informed that the available information i.e. building safety certificate, fire safety certificate and school affiliation certificate has been supplied to the appellant on 08.07.2020. The appellant was not satisfied and informed that the PIO has not supplied the information from the year 2013-2019. The respondent informed that they had asked the concerned school to deposit the current fire safety and building safety certificate which as per respondent, the school could not seek extension for the that year because of lockdown due to ongoing pandemic.

Given the issue at hand, the order was passed in two parts; A) the PIO was directed to sort out the discrepancies pointed out by the appellant and provide the appellant with all the documents that have been sought and are available in the record. If the documents not available in the record, the PIO was directed to state the missing documents in the information sought on an affidavit.

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Part-B – A large issue emerged in front of the bench i.e. regarding the safety of children and staff in the schools all over Punjab since some schools might not be meeting and complying with the prescribed standards of building and fire norms set by the appropriate authority. It was made clear that there is an urgent need to bring about transparency in this matter as these certificates should be a matter of suo-motto declaration rather than being confined in record rooms. Under the powers vested under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, the Commission directed that valid certificates of fire and building safety and board affiliations issued by the appropriate authorities be declared suo-motto by all the schools in Punjab on their websites and notice board. The certificates should be latest, legible and valid.

All District Education Officers were directed to ensure compliance of this order and upload this information on their websites. A copy of the order was sent to the Secretary School Education, Punjab and DPs of Elementary and Secondary Education Punjab for the purpose of implementation effective monitoring.

On the next date of hearing on 25.08.2020, the case could not be heard because of internet snag and it was adjourned. However, regarding part-A, the Commission received a letter from DEO Amritsar stating that the complete information available with them has been provided to the appellants.

Regarding part-B, there had been no communication from any of the parties and neither of them appeared before the Commission. The Commission directed the Secretary School Education to implement the order the Commission dated 28.07.2020 and a representative be present at the next date of hearing to show the evidence that the order has been complied with. The part-B of the order dated 28.07.2020 was reproduced in the order dated 25.08.2020. The case was adjourned for 15.09.2020. The concerned PIOs were directed to appear at Chandigarh.

Hearing dated 15.09.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellants claim that the PIO has not provided the complete information. The respondent present from the office of DEO Amritsar informed that the available information has been supplied and no further information is available with them. They also claim that to implement part-B of the Commission's order, they have already issued instructions to President/Principals of all private schools of Amritsar for uploading of valid building safety, fire safety and affiliation certificate on their websites or to display them on the notice board.

After hearing both the parties, I conclude that part-A of the order i.e. the RTI application has been sufficiently replied to and complied with. No further cause of action is required.

Regarding the implementation of Part-B, the facts on the file suggest that only DEO Amritsar has partially implemented the order by issuing the requisite instructions to schools, albeit private schools only. Since the order is only partially implemented, as the DEO has sent instructions to only private schools and not Govt or Govt. aided schools, the PIO is directed to extend the directions to all schools in the District. The PIO does need any further instructions from its higher authority to send such instructions to schools under its control i.e Government and government aided schools.

Coming to the point regarding implementation of the order in the rest of the state, the Commission had impleaded the Punjab Education Department (Elementary & Secondary) to implement the order dated 28.07.2020, which is reproduced as under in inverted commas :

“During the course of the hearing, I am of the view that a larger issue has emerged in front of this bench i.e regarding the safety of children and staff in schools all over Punjab. That there lies a humongous public interest in taking a broader view of the issue of safety of children and staff in schools than merely confining it to one school about which information is sought.

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It is evident from the ongoing hearings of this case that some schools –whether they are private, government-aided or government-operated may not be meeting and complying with the prescribed standards of building and fire safety norms set by the appropriate authority.

These, the bench feels are the most important requirements for any educational institution, much important than the service that they provide, as human safety is above everything else. Moreover, every parent has the right to know that the school where his or her ward is going or getting admitted to is safe and has a valid affiliation with a school board to run its day-to-day business.

Given the above, it is clear that there is an urgent need to bring about transparency in this matter, as these certificates/ materials should be a matter of suo-motto declaration rather than being confined in record rooms, only to be sought under the RTI Act.

Since certificates such as fire and building safety, as well as board affiliation certificates issued by the appropriate authorities clearly come under Information as defined in section 2 (f) of the ACT, this bench under the powers vested under section 19 (8) of the RTI Act hereby directs that valid certificates of fire and building safety and board affiliations issued by the appropriate authorities be declared suo-moto by all the schools in Punjab on their websites and notice boards. (Refer to section 4 (2) of the RTI Act. The certificates should be latest, legible and valid.

There is no exception, and this order is applicable to all Punjab schools whether government, government-aided or private. They all are required to display fire and building safety certification as well as board affiliation certificates. In case a school has no website it will be mandatory to display this information prominently on the notice board, and in case of schools with websites, this information will be displayed on both the forums. If a school is not compliant with any one of the three, it will still proactively disclose the status quo of all the three points. Schools will not evade sharing the complete status quo on all the three points- fire and building safety certificates and board affiliation certificate.

All District Education Officers are directed to ensure the compliance of this order with immediate effect, failing which they will be held responsible for not implementing this order.

DEOs will also upload this information on their respective departmental websites, including the name of the schools that are not compliant. For example, a school can be complaint in one and non compliant in the other two. Each compliance or non-compliance must be clearly stated on the website.

A copy of this order is being sent to the Secretary, School Education Punjab, and DPis of Elementary and Secondary Education, Punjab for the purpose of effective monitoring, supervision, and dissemination of this order to all the concerned DEOs. Should the appropriate authority need to issue additional guidelines to schools for implementation of this order, it should be done immediately for compliance of this order.

The case is being kept open to ensure that this order is implemented in its true spirits. A representative of the appropriate authority be present at the next date of hearing to show evidence that the order is being complied with.”

Further order:

Education Department has failed to appear twice at the hearing at the commission, including the hearing of today. It has neither replied to the two notices issued to it to make it a party in the case.

The commission has taken severe umbrage to this continuous absence of representatives of the Education Department (Elementary & Secondary) despite two notices and views this as an attempt to sidetrack the order of the commission.

The commission had made the Education Department a party to this appeal case, as it recognized the fact that state level coordination was required and necessary to implement this order.

Deducing from the facts above, and moving further to see this order of 28.07.2020 come to fructification, the commission under the powers vested under section 19(8)(ii) of the RTI Act makes the DPI of Elementary Education and Secondary Education as deemed PIOs to implement this order of the commission.

The two deemed PIOs are ordered be present at the next date of hearing with enough proof to satisfy the commission that the order of disseminating suo-motto information (Section 4 (b)) as described in the order of date 28.07.202 is being complied with.

The deemed PIOs will be responsible for implementing this order, or they are liable to be held accountable under the proceedings of Section 20 of the RTI Act, in case of reluctance or failure to comply with this order.

To come up for further hearing on **07.10.2020 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The PIO-DPIs to appear at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh
Dated 15.09.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

- CC to :
1. The Secretary, Govt of Punjab,
Department of School Education,
VidyaBhawan, Phase-VIII,
SAS Nagar, Mohali
 2. Director, Public Instructions
(Elementary Education) Pb,
VidyaBhawan, Phase-VIII,
SAS Nagar, Mohali.
 3. Director Public Instructions
(Secondary Education), Pb
VidyaBhawan, Phase-VIII,
SAS Nagar, Mohali