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Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, (M: 94179-15100),
S/o Shri Ram Roop,
Social Worker & RTI Activist,
Hanjhra Marg, Indra Marg,
Sunam, Distt. Sangrur.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Local Govt. Department,
Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No.3,
Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Local Govt. Department,
Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No.3,
Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3263 of 2016

Present:- Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, appellant is absent.
Shri Jasbir Singh, PIO-cum-Suptd., and Shri Jaswinder Kumar, Sr. Asstt. O/o
Principal Secretary, Local Govt. Department, Chandigarh are present.

O R D E R

I have gone through the Order dated 31.07.2019 and in compliance to the Order the PIO has sent the remaining information regarding the deficiencies to the appellant on his e-mail address vide letter dated 09.09.2019.

The appellant is absent, but he has sent an e-mail, which is taken in the file of the Commission.

Shri Jasbir Singh, PIO has submitted that entire information which was sought by the appellant through his RTI application dated 18.05.2016 has sent to him and no other information is pending to be provided to the appellant.

The PIO has come present along with a Demand Draft of Rs.12,000/- to be paid to the appellant, Shri Rajesh Aggarwal. As the appellant is absent today, so the PIO is directed that Demand Draft be sent to the appellant through registered post within 2 days and compliance report be sent back to the Commission.

With this observation the present appeal case is **disposed of and closed**.

Dated: 18.09.2019

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Ashok Kapoor, (M: 98555-56210)
8-C, Kitchlu Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate (W),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2913 of 2018

Present:- Shri Ashok Kapoor, appellant is present.
None is present on behalf of the PIO, O/o SDM (W), Ludhiana.

O R D E R

A Show Cause Notice was issued to the PIO on 19.03.2019 that why you have not provided the information to the appellant within the stipulated period and so why you may not be penalized and so why not compensation be awarded to the appellant.

I have gone through the Order dated 06.08.2019. A compensation of Rs.5,000/- was awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the PIO within 10 days from the funds of public authority by the way of demand draft. But the appellant stated that till today the PIO has neither provided him the information nor he paid compensation awarded in this case.

So, the PIO, O/o SDM(W), Ludhiana is directed that he should send the sought for information to the appellant through registered post within 10 days along with demand draft of Rs.5,000/- as compensation awarded in favour of the appellant. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission strict action will be taken against the PIO.

The PIO is further directed that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the Show Cause Notice and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him. In case he would not come present then the Show Cause Notice will be decided in his absence assuming that the PIO do not want to file reply to the Show Cause Notice.

Both the parties should personally come present on the next date of hearing on
16.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.

Dated: 18.09.2019

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8-C, Kitchlu Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2914 of 2018

Present:- Shri Ashok Kapoor, appellant is present.
None is present on behalf of PIO-cum-DRO, O/o DC, Ludhiana.

O R D E R

A Show Cause Notice was issued to the PIO on 19.03.2019 that why you have not provided the information to the appellant within the stipulated period and so why you may not be penalized and so why not compensation be awarded to the appellant.

The PIO is not vigilant towards her duties. She has not provided the information to the appellant as was sought by him through his RTI application dated 16.04.2018.

The appellant is an old man of 78 years of age. He is coming present on each and every date of hearing from a distance of about 100 kms. So, a compensation of Rs.5,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant, Shri Ashok Kapoor to be paid by the PIO within 10 days from the funds of public authority by the way of demand draft.

So, the PIO is directed that information sought by the appellant be provided to him within a week. In case of non-compliance of the Order of the Commission strict action will be taken against the PIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO-cum-DRO, O/o DC, Ludhiana should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the Show Cause Notice and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to her. In case she would not come present then it will be presumed that the PIO do not want to file reply to the Show Cause Notice and the Show Cause Notice will be decided in her absence.

Both the parties should personally come present on the next date of hearing on
16.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Madan Lal, S/o Shri Fakir Chand,
New Chandan Nagar,
Kapurthala Road, Kartarpur,
Distt. Jalandhar.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Managing Director,
Punjab State Seed Corporation Ltd.,
SCO 835-36, Sector 22-A,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 455 of 2019

Present:- Shri Madan Lal, complainant/applicant is absent.
Shri Suny Gupta, APIO and Shri Rajesh Kumar, Jr. Asstt. are present on behalf
of Shri Paramjit Singh, PIO-cum-Regional Manager, O/o M.D. Punjab State Seed
Corporation Ltd., Chandigarh.

O R D E R

Shri Madan Lal, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 08.11.2018
and sought some information from the office of the PIO.

I have gone through the Order dated 29.08.2019. The information was provided
to the complainant/applicant through letter no.635-36 dated 19.07.2019. The
complainant/applicant being not satisfied brought the deficiencies to the notice of the PIO.

The complainant/applicant was directed to visit the office of the PIO on any
working day within 15 days vide Order dated 29.08.2019, but as stated by the respondents he
has not visited the office of the PIO. So, another opportunity is granted to the
complainant/applicant to visit the office of the PIO within 8 days.

The complainant/applicant should personally come present on the next date of
hearing otherwise the case will be heard and decided in his absence on the basis of reply
submitted by the PIO.

The PIO, Shri Paramjit Singh is directed to come personally present on the next
date of hearing and file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **09.10.2019 at
11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Jagjit Singh, (M: 99150-21551),
459-A, Sector 61,
Chandigarh.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Director,
Punjab Vigilance Bureau,
Vigilance Bhawan, Sector 68, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 377 of 2019

Present:- Shri Jagjit Singh, complainant/applicant is present.
SI Rajesh Kumar is present on behalf of Shri Paramjit Singh Goraya, PPS, PIO-
cum-Joint Director Crime, O/o Punjab Vigilance Bureau, Mohali.

ORDER

Shri Jagjit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 09.03.2019 and sought some information from the office of the PIO.

SI Rajesh Kumar is present on behalf of Shri Paramjit Singh Goraya, PPS, PIO and he submitted a copy of letter no.43404 dated 17.09.2019 along with an authority letter on behalf of the PIO. Both the papers are taken in the file of the Commission.

I have gone through the letter dated 17.09.2019 and it is submitted in the letter that the sought for information has been provided to the complainant/applicant.

The complainant/applicant has submitted his written submission dated 17.09.2019 that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied and requested to close his complaint case no.377 of 2019.

As per the written submission made by the complainant/applicant that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied, so the present complaint case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Jagjit Singh, (M: 99150-21551),
459-A, Sector 61,
Chandigarh.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Director,
Punjab Vigilance Bureau,
Vigilance Bhawan, Sector 68, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 378 of 2019

Present:- Shri Jagjit Singh, complainant/applicant is present.
SI Rajesh Kumar is present on behalf of Shri Kanwaldeep Singh, PPS, PIO-cum-Joint Director Admin, O/o Punjab Vigilance Bureau, Mohali.

ORDER

Shri Jagjit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 10.03.2019 and sought some information from the office of the PIO.

SI Rajesh Kumar is present on behalf of Shri Kanwaldeep Singh, PPS, PIO and he submitted a copy of letter no.43192 dated 16.09.2019, which is taken in the file of the Commission.

I have gone through the letter dated 16.09.2019 and it is submitted in the letter that the sought for information has been provided to the complainant/applicant.

The complainant/applicant has submitted his written submission dated 17.09.2019 that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied and requested to close his complaint case no.378 of 2019.

As per the written submission made by the complainant/applicant that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied, so the present complaint case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Simranjit Singh, S/o Shri Jagdish Singh,
93/2, Adarsh Nagar,
Jalandhar. (M: 98154-81025)

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
SCO 177-178, Near Mehfil, Sector-17-C,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3743 of 2018

Present:- Shri Simranjit Singh, appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission.
Shri Gurcharan Singh Sandhu ATO is present on behalf of Shri Karanbir Singh Cheena, PIO-cum- RTA, Sangrur.

O R D E R

I have gone through the RTI application dated 30.07.2018 and also gone through the Order dated 30.08.2019. The PIO was directed that information sought by the appellant regarding registration no. PJS-0065 with the actual owner details be sent to him through registered post within 15 days.

The respondent, who is present on behalf of the PIO, stated that in compliance to the Order the PIO has sent the sought for information to the appellant through letter no. 6237 dated 13.09.2019. He has submitted a copy of letter no. 6251 dated 16.09.2019 and it is submitted in the letter that the information was sent to the appellant through letter no. 6237 dated 13.09.2019. A copy of information is also annexed with the said letter which is taken in the file of the Commission.

The PIO has sent the sought for information to the appellant which was sought by him through his RTI application dated 30.07.2018.

A Show Cause Notice was issued to Shri Karanbir Singh Cheena, PIO-cum-RTA Sangrur vide Order dated 20.03.2019 that why you have not provided the information to the appellant within the stipulated period and so why you may not be penalized under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005.

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Appeal Case No. 3743 of 2018

So, the PIO is directed that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the Show Cause Notice issued and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him. In case the PIO would not come present then it will be presumed that he do not want to file reply to the Show Cause Notice and the Show Cause Notice will be decided in his absence.

The PIO should personally come present on the next date of hearing on **26.09.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Satnam Singh Dhawan,
H. No. 7, G.K. Vihar, Manakwal,
Ludhiana. (M: 95015-13137).

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur-148001.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
SCO 177-178, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4306 of 2018

Present:- Shri Satnam Singh, appellant is absent.
Shri Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, ATO is present on behalf of Shri Karanbir Singh Cheena, PIO-cum- RTA, Sangrur.

ORDER

Shri Satnam Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 18.06.2018 and sought some information from the office of the PIO.

Shri Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, who is present on behalf of the PIO submitted a copy of letter no. 6247 dated 16.09.2019, which is taken in the file of the Commission.

I have gone through the said letter and it is submitted in the letter by the PIO that the appellant was contacted on his mobile phone and he stated that he is not feeling well for quite some time and do not want to get the information and wanted his case to be filed.

The appellant though is absent, but he sent an e-mail that he wants to close his appeal case as he is not feeling well for the last few months.

So, as per the mail sent by the appellant that he do not want to get the information and wants to close his appeal case, the present appeal case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Smt. Meenakshi Arora, (M: 91171-82256),
W/o Shri Chander Mohan Arora,
R/o 2983, Gurdev Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SHO, Police Station,
Division No.5, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 141 of 2019

Present:- Shri Chander Mohan Arora is present on behalf of Smt. Meenakshi Arora, complainant/applicant.
Inspector Goldy Viridi-472/JR, PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Division No.5, Ludhiana is present.

O R D E R

Shri Chander Mohan Arora is present on behalf of Smt. Meenakshi Arora, complainant-applicant and Inspector Goldy Viridi, PIO has also come present.

A Show Cause Notice was issued to Inspector Goldy Viridi that why you have not provided the information to the complainant/applicant within the stipulated period and so why you may not be penalized under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Inspector Goldy Viridi requested for some time to file reply to the Show Cause Notice. His request is heard and allowed with a direction to him that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the Show Cause Notice and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him. The PIO is further directed that the information sought by the complainant-applicant be provided to her within a week.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **01.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Chander Mohan Arora, (M: 94171-82256),
R/o 2983, Gurdev Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SHO, Police Station,
Division No.5, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 142 of 2019

Present:- Shri Chander Mohan Arora, complainant/applicant is present.
Inspector Goldy Viridi-472/JR, PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Division No.5,
Ludhiana is present.

O R D E R

Shri Chander Mohan Arora, complainant-applicant and Inspector Goldy Viridi,
PIO both are present today.

A Show Cause Notice was issued to Inspector Goldy Viridi that why you have not
provided the information to the complainant/applicant within the stipulated period and so why
you may not be penalized under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Inspector Goldy Viridi requested for some time to file reply to the Show Cause
Notice. His request is heard and allowed with a direction to him that he should personally come
present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the Show Cause Notice and an opportunity
of personal hearing will be afforded to him. The PIO is further directed that the information
sought by the complainant-applicant be provided to him within a week.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **01.10.2019 at
11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Amrik Singh, (Sr. Asstt.),
S/o Shri Kehar Singh,
Village Bakapur, PO Hiyatpur Roorkee,
Tehsil Balachaur,
Distt. Nawanshehar.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Engineer, Vigilance,
Department of Water Resources, PB.,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Water Resources, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2473 of 2019

Present:- Shri Amrik Singh, appellant is present.
Shri Ravi Katoch, Jr. Asstt. O/o Irrigation Deptt., Punjab is present.
Shri Karnail Singh, Suptd., O/o Chief Engineer(Canal), Punjab is present.

O R D E R

Shri Amrik Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 12.10.2018 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Chief Engineer, Vigilance, Department of Water Resources, Punjab, Chandigarh. When no information was provided to him by the PIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.04.2019. Then he filed Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 09.07.2019. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today.

Both the parties are present today.

The Respondents stated that the sought for information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant stated that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied. He has submitted a duly signed written submission dated 18.09.2019 that he has received the information and he is satisfied and also requested to dispose of his appeal case.

As the PIO has provided the sought for information to the appellant and the appellant is satisfied, so the present appeal case is **disposed of and closed**.

Dated: 18.09.2019

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Yogesh Mahajan, (M: 98143-54649),
S/o Shri Kuldeep Rai Mahajan,
President of Anti Corruption Council,
Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market,
Mission Road, Pathankot.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN, Centre Works Division,
PWD (B&R), Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SE, Centre Works Circle,
PWD (B&R), Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2486 of 2019

Present:- Shri Yogesh Mahajan, appellant is absent.
Shri Pawan Kumar Clerk is present on behalf of Shri Rajinder Kumar,
PIO-cum-XEN, Centre Works Division, PWD(B&R), Hoshiarpur.

O R D E R

Shri Yogesh Mahajan, appellant filed RTI application dated 23.02.2019 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o XEN, Centre Works Division, PWD (B&R), Hoshiarpur. When no information was provided to him by the PIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 23.04.2019. Then he filed Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 10.07.2019. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today.

The appellant is absent today, but the respondent has come present on behalf of the PIO.

The appellant though is absent, but he sent a mail that in complete information has been provided to him. I have discussed the sought for information with the respondent.

The PIO is directed that attested copies of complete information, specifically para-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and come present on the next date of hearing along with copy of information and copy of postal receipt.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **09.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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S/o Shri Kuldeep Rai Mahajan,
President of Anti Corruption Council,
Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market,
Mission Road, Pathankot.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN, Provincial Division,
PWD (B&R), Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SE, PWD (B&R),
Construction Circle, Bathinda.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2488 of 2019

Present:- Shri Yogesh Mahajan, appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o XEN, Provincial Div. PWD B&R,
Bathinda.

O R D E R

Shri Yogesh Mahajan, appellant filed RTI application dated 06.01.2019 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o XEN, Provincial Division, PWD (B&R), Bathinda. When no information was provided to him by the PIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.02.2019. Then he filed Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 10.07.2019. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today.

Both the parties are absent today. The appellant though is absent however, he sent a mail that no information has been provided to him.

The PIO is directed that attested copies of information, specifically para-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post and come present on the next date of hearing along with copy of information and copy of postal receipt.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **09.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Charanjit Singh,
S/o Shri Sardara Singh,
Village & PO Gill,
Tehsil & Distt. Ludhiana.

.....Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee,
Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 614 of 2019

Present:- Shri Charanjit Singh, Complainant/applicant is present.
None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o SGPC, Amritsar.

O R D E R

Shri Charanjit Singh, Complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 17.05.2019 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee, Amritsar. When no information was provided to him by the PIO, then he filed complaint against the PIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 12.07.2019. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today.

The complainant-applicant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the PIO.

The complainant-applicant filed RTI application and sought certified copy of resolution for the period March, 2005 to May, 2019 and secondly he sought attested copies of bills and vouchers of expenditures for the above said period.

The complainant-applicant stated that no information has been provided to him by the PIO that is why he has filed complaint case before the Punjab State Information Commission.

The PIO is directed that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission strict action will be taken against the PIO under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **16.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Gurbhej Singh, (M: 62394-66414),
S/o Shir Gurmeet Singh,
R/o Village Reona Niwan, PO REona Ucha,
Tehsil & Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

..... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Engineer, Canal,
Jail Road, Near Mini Secretariat,
Patiala.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 57 of 2019

Present:- Shri Gurbhej Singh complainant/applicant is absent.
Shri Chander Mohan Sharma, PIO-cum XEN, Canal, Patiala is present.

ORDER

I have gone through the Order dated 06.08.2019 and Shri Jasbir Singh was present on behalf of the complainant/applicant and he brought to the notice of the Bench that he has received the information, but the information is not attested. A direction was issued to the PIO that attested copies of sought for information be provided to the complainant/applicant and in compliance to the Order passed by the bench the PIO has sent the attested copies of sought for information to the complainant-applicant vide letter no. 568-69 dated 20.08.2019.

A Show Cause Notice was issued to the PIO, Shri Chander Mohan Sharma that why the information has not been provided to the complainant/applicant within the stipulated period of 30 days and so why you may not be penalized under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005.

Today Shri Chander Mohan Sharma, PIO-cum-XEN has come present and submitted the reply to the Show Cause Notice vide letter no. 10253 dated 27.08.2019, which is taken in the file of the Commission.

An opportunity of personal hearing is afforded to the PIO. I have gone through the reply submitted by the PIO. The PIO submitted that the RTI application was received late in the office of the PIO as the address of the PIO was not mentioned properly in the RTI application by the applicant. It is further submitted by the PIO that the information was sent to the complainant/applicant through letter no. 1276 dated 12.06.2019 and secondly through letter no. 568-69 dated 20.08.2019. Even then the PIO tendered unconditional apology for delay in

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providing the information to the complainant-applicant and he further submitted that in future he will remain vigilant towards his duties and provide the information to the information seekers within the stipulated period.

I have heard the PIO on the Show Cause Notice and also gone through the reply to the Show Cause Notice. I am satisfied with the reply of the PIO. So the Show Cause Notice issued to him is dropped and filed.

As the information had already been provided to the complainant/applicant, so the present complaint case is **disposed of and closed**.

Dated: 18.09.2019

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Shri Darshan Singh Kang, (M: 94643-63290),
(Anti Corruption Wing),
Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana-141114.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Judge (Junior Division),
Samrala, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Civil Judge (Junior Division),
Samrala, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 860 of 2019

Present:- Shri Darshan Singh Kang, appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Civil Judge (Junior Division), Samrala,
Ludhiana.

O R D E R

Shri Darshan Singh Kang, appellant filed RTI application dated 17.12.2018 and sought some information from the office of the PIO.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 07.08.2019 and the PIO was directed to come personally present and to file reply to the appeal filed by the appellant, but the PIO has not come present today and neither he sent any intimation to the Commission.

So the PIO, O/o Civil Judge (Junior Division), Samrala, Ludhiana is directed that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing and file reply to the appeal filed by the appellant. In case the PIO would not come present on the next date of hearing and would not file reply to the appeal filed by the appellant, then a Show Cause Notice will be issued to him.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing on **09.10.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**

Dated: 18.09.2019

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S/o Shri Kuldip Singh,
R/o H.No. 2636, Street No.1,
Azad Nagar, Near Shimla Market,
Putligarh, Amritsar.

.. ... Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Complainant Case No. 599 of 2019

Present:- Shri Rajwinder Singh, complainant/applicant is present.
HC Surinder Singh 2640/ASR is present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Deputy
Commissioner of Police, Amritsar.

O R D E R

Shri Rajwinder Singh, complainant/applicant stated that he has filed RTI application dated 04.10.2018 with the office of the PIO and the PIO has charged Rs. 20/- as initial fee instead of Rs. 10/-. The complainant-applicant filed complaint before the Punjab State Information that the PIO has charged excess money from him as under rule Rs. 10/- is the initial fee for filing the application whereas the PIO has received Rs. 20/- from him.

The Respondent has filed reply on behalf of the PIO, which is a copy of letter no.5526/CPC dated 08.08.2019. The said letter is taken in the file of the Commission. I have gone through the letter and it is submitted that there were 2 application numbers 4953-COP dated 05.09.2018 and 1314-AHRC dated 04.09.2018, so that the PIO has charged Rs.20/- as 2 applications were involved in the RTI application.

I have heard the complainant/applicant and the respondent on the charging fee of Rs.20/-. The complainant/applicant has filed an application dated 18.09.2019 duly signed by him that he withdraws his complaint case, but Rs.10/- which was charged excess from him be returned to him.

So, as per the application filed by the complainant/applicant, Shri Rajwinder Singh the present complaint case is disposed of with the observation that the PIO should return Rs.10/- which was charged excess as under the RTI Act and rules the applicant has to pay Rs.10/- along with the RTI application, but in the present case in hand the RTI application was

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one, but the applications involved in the RTI application were 2 as mentioned above. The initial fee which is to be paid by the applicant as per the rules is Rs.10/-, whereas the PIO has charged Rs.20/- .

So, the PIO is directed that Rs.10/- which was charged excess be returned to the complainant/applicant and compliance report be sent back to the Commission.

With this observation the present complaint case is **disposed of and closed**.

Dated: 18.09.2019

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**