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Shri Gurupadesh Singh (88473-49012),
S/o Shri Tirath Singh,
R/o VPO Ghungrana, District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Pakhowal,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO,
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7575 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Yogeshwar Singh, APO (88727-11162)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **15.06.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **04.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Yogeshwar Singh, APO, has sought some time to provide the information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The respondent has sought some time to provide the information. Hence, considering the request of the respondent, **an opportunity** is given to him to provide complete information to the appellant, as demanded through his RTI application, within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Pakhowal,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO,
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7577 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Jagjit Singh, GRS (76963-91913)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **15.06.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.08.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Jagjit Singh, GRS, has sought some time to provide the information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The respondent has sought some time to provide the information. Hence, considering the request of the respondent, **an opportunity** is given to him to provide complete information to the appellant, as demanded through his RTI application, within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Lakhwinder Singh, (96920-00003)

S/o Shri Gulab Singh,
R/o Village Buttar Bakhuya, Tehsil Giderbaha,
District Sri Muktsar Sahib – 152101

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o SDO, Punjab Mandi Board, Gidderbaha,
District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Mandi Officer, Punjab Mandi Board,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7583 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Davinder Singh, JE (97806-00670)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **07.08.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **09.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Davinder Singh, JE, submits a reply sent to the appellant vide letter dated 19.10.2023. Copy of the same is taken on record. Further, he states that the appellant had not pointed out any deficiency till date.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

4. Accordingly, a copy of information as submitted by the respondent PIO is being sent to the appellant along with the orders of the Commission with the directions to go through the information and revert back to the respondent PIO, in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing. The respondent is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case.

5. Further, an opportunity is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Encl: Letter dated 19.10.2023 (5 pages) submitted by the respondent sent to the appellant.

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Shri Varinder Singla, (94642-02781)

S/o Shri Rameshwar Dass,
82, WN 4. Tehsil & District Patiala - 147105
RTI Application No. 80507

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DGP, Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7608 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Amarjit, JA (94630-66588) and
ASI Narinder Singh (98764-45434)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **02.08.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **01.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 25.09.2025, has been received from him, mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and also mentioned that he has not received the requested information from the respondent till date.

3. The respondent files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter dated 01.10.2025, mentioning therein that the requested information has already been provided to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the respondent PIO is directed to send the sought information once again to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipts of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Further, an opportunity is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Rakesh Kumar Jain,
S/o Shri Nem Chand Jain,
R/o # W/2-341, Teachers Colony,
Hira Mehal, Nabha, District Patiala.

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7614 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Rakesh Kumar Jain accompanied by Shri Jagjit Singh (99150-21551)
Respondent: Shri Jaspal Singh, Kanungo (90411-93100) and
Shri Kapil Garg, Kanungo (97794-38818)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **09.12.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.01.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that the information sought at point no. 4 and 5 has been received, but the information sought at point no. 1, 2, and 3 is still pending. Further, he states that the penalty be imposed upon the respondent for the delay in providing the information. He has also filed his written submissions during the course of hearing, which is taken on record.

3. The respondent states that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, however, this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence, taking a lenient view, **one last opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the appellant reply / information sought at point no. 1, 2, and 3 pertaining to his RTI application within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Sawran Singh, (98157-57167)

S/o Shri Karnail Singh,
R/o Village Rogla, P.O Sidhuwal,
Tehsil & District Patiala - 147001

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Patiala (Rural).**

**First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Patiala.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7630 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Sawran Singh, (98157-57167)
Respondent: Shri Bhupinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary (80540-05107),
Shri Soni Singh, GRS (83605-69862), and
Shri Sitar, former Sarpanch (94633-66007)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **20.06.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **04.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has received incomplete information from the respondent PIO and requests the court for complete sought information.

3. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the appellant through registered post, but the appellant has refused to accept it. Further, he states that information was provided to the appellant by hand in the office.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to invite the appellant for an inspection of the record in writing. The appellant, Shri Sawran Singh, is directed to visit the respondent's office and inspect the official record pertaining to the RTI application. Accordingly, the respondent and concerned officials are directed to remain present on the mutually fixed date and time of inspection. The respondent is also directed to supply the identified information pertaining to the RTI application within one week after the inspection.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, (98150-33415)

Advocate, Chamber No. 5014,
5th Floor, District Courts, Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner, MC, (Zone A),
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7632 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Rajiv Saggar, PIO-cum-Superintendent (98153-15500)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **05.12.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.01.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Rajiv Saggar, files a reply to the Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter dated 30.09.2025, mentioning therein that a reply has already been furnished to the appellant. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the appellant is directed to point out deficiency in the supplied information, to PIO through registered post, under intimation to the Commission. Also, the PIO is directed to remove the deficiencies (if any), pointed out by the appellant, before the next hearing.

5. Further, an opportunity is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Balwant Singh, (97797-33566)

S/o Shri Arjan Singh,
Village Kheri Gourian, P.O Kalyan,
Tehsil & District Patiala.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Patiala.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7633 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Balwant Singh, (97797-33566)
Respondent: Shri Kulwant Singh, Computer Operator (99889-59001)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **26.07.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.09.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has received incomplete information from the respondent PIO and requests the court for complete sought information. Further, he requests that penalty be imposed upon the respondent PIO for not providing complete information.

3. The respondent states that the requested information has already been supplied to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, the respondent is directed to provide complete information to the appellant as per his RTI application, within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent PIO is warned to be more careful in future while dealing with the matters pertaining to the RTI Act, 2005 and act swiftly.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Harpal Singh Bhullar, (85588-70000)

R/o 4042, Block E, Sector - 5,
Ecocity - 1, New Chandigarh,
Mullanpur - 140901

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SE, PSPCL,
Ferozepur Cantt.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, West Zone,
Guru Nanak Dev Thermal Plant, Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7634 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gagandeep Batra, XEN (96461-14524) and
Shri Sahil Kumar, UDC (98159-83627)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **26.07.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **01.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gagandeep Batra and Shri Sahil Kumar, files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter no. 4575 dated 01.10.2025, mentioning therein that a reply has already been supplied to the appellant. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. During the hearing, the appellant was contacted on his mobile number given in this present appeal case and he requested an adjournment.

4. Accordingly, the case is adjourned. An opportunity is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed. The respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case.

5. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Parwinder Singh, (98140-37222)

S/o Shri Hakam Singh,
Village Jagpura, P.O Banur,
Tehsil & District Mohali.

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7640 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Tarlochan Singh, Clerk (97811-54944)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **01.07.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **02.08.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

3. The respondent states that a reply has already been sent to the appellant and also submitted a copy of the same reply during the course of hearing.

4. The Commission has examined the reply alongside the RTI application and found that it does not address this RTI application.

5. Accordingly, the respondent PIO is directed to file a fresh point wise reply to the appellant through registered post before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Gurdarshan Singh, (98787-73048)

S/o Shri Jaswant Singh,
R/o Village Gobindpura, Presently R/o Village Bakhsiwala,
Tehsil Budhlada, District Mansa.

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer-cum,
Assistant Inspector General of Police,/Personnel-II,
O/o DGP, Punjab,
Chandigarh.**

**Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Punjab Govt. Energy Department,
Civil Secretariat - 2, Sector - 9, Chandigarh.**

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o Secretary, Punjab Govt. Energy Department,
Civil Secretariat - 2, Sector - 9, Chandigarh.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7643 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gurdarshan Singh, (98787-73048)
Respondent: Shri Raj Kumar, Senior Assistant (95927-03739),
Shri Mandeep Singh, Clerk O/o DC, Mansa (95013-87001), and
Smt. Sarabjeet Kaur, SA O/o DGP, Punjab (95924-87249)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **12.08.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **02.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has received partial information. Further, he states that he has received information from the office of DC Mansa and the information pertains to office of DGP, Punjab is pending.

3. The respondent states that some information has already been provided to the appellant. Shri Mandeep Singh, Clerk, O/o DC, Mansa, submitted his reply vide letter no. 3667 dated 29.09.2025. The respondent PIO, represented by Smt. Sarabjeet Kaur, SA, from the office of DGP, Punjab, is requested some time to provide the information to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, PIO-cum-Assistant Inspector General of Police, O/o DGP, Punjab, is impleaded as necessary party in this appeal case. The respondent PIO-cum-Assistant Inspector General of Police, O/o DGP, Punjab, is directed to supply the pending information to the appellant before the next date of hearing through registered post, under intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO O/o DC, Mansa is exempt for the future hearings of this appeal case.

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5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
6. To come up on 21.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Kabal Singh, (98150-19239)

S/o Shri Kulbir Singh,
R/o Village Rukanpura Khui Khera,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Gram Rojgar Sewak, Gram Panchayat, Rukanpura,
Khui Khera, Block Abohar, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o ADC (D),
Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7644 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **11.08.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. However, the respondent is also absent. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to the parties through registered post but even then both parties are absent.

3. However, in the interest of justice and taking a lenient view of the matter, **last opportunity** is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. The respondent is directed to file point wise reply along with information on the next date of hearing, failing which action under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005, will be initiated.

4. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Sohan Singh, (98761-89714)

S/o Shri Banta Singh,
13370, Street No. 1, Vishkarma Colony,
Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-ATP,
O/o MC, Zone B,
Ludhiana.

Encl: RTI application

First Appellate Authority,
O/o MC, Zone A,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7646 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **09.06.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.07.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. However, the respondent is also absent. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to the parties through registered post but even then both parties are absent.

3. However, in the interest of justice and taking a lenient view of the matter, **last opportunity** is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. The respondent is directed to file point wise reply along with information on the next date of hearing, failing which action under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005, will be initiated.

4. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Dinesh Kumar, (94632-19193)

S/o Late Shri Subhash Chander,
295, Karol Bagh, Jalandhar - I - 144009
RTI Application No. 89252

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7648 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Smt. Jaspinder Kaur, Steno (94638-52572)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **13.09.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **07.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The respondent states that a reply has already been sent to the appellant. Further, she states that the information requested by the appellant is not specific.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the appellant is directed to list specific information from the PIO through registered post under intimation to the Commission. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Avtar Singh,
S/o Shri Harjinder Singh,
R/o Jhugian Kadir, Tehsil & District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DDPO,
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7670 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Avtar Singh
Respondent: Shri Gurbhej Singh, Panchayat Secretary (98550-08835)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **24.07.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.08.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.11.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, **one opportunity** is awarded to the respondent to supply the sought information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Ravinder Kumar, (78375-17939)

S/o Shri Shivnath,
Ward No. 1, Basoli Road, Rakkar Colony,
Una, Himachal Pradesh – 174303

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, Local Govt. Punjab,
Sector – 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Local Govt. Punjab,
Sector – 35, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2700 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **08.01.2024** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **12.02.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **03.04.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The respondent is absent, but files a reply to this Commission's Notice of hearing vide letter no. 56730 dated 10.09.2025, mentioning therein that a reply / information has already been furnished to the appellant. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 28.09.2025, has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the appellant is directed to point out specific deficiency in the supplied information, to PIO through registered post, under intimation to the Commission. Also, the PIO is directed to remove the deficiencies (if any), pointed out by the appellant, before the next hearing

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, the appellant is directed to represent his case through **Cisco Webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)**

6. The respondent PIO is directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

7. **To come up on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Manav Monga, (98146-97601)

S/o Shri Krishan Gopal,
R/o Mandi Guru Harsahai,
District Ferozepur – 152022

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Managing Director,
Punjab Health System Corporation,
Sector – 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Managing Director,
Punjab Health System Corporation,
Sector – 62, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4881 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Smt. Kanwaljeet Kaur, Assistant (98726-69241) and
Smt. Sonia Sapra, Assistant (98776-41288)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **08.05.2024** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.07.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent, but a letter has been received from the appellant in the Commission vide diary no. 12070 dated 01.08.2025, mentioning therein that he has received partial information from the respondent and requests the court for complete information.

3. The respondent states that the complete information has already been supplied to the appellant and no deficiency has been pointed out by the appellant till date.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent, the appellant is directed to point out specific deficiency in the supplied information to the respondent PIO with the copy to the Commission within 15 days after receipt of this order.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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Shri Parbhat Chand, (70879-19478)

S/o Shri Mast Ram,
R/o # F/21/1016, Sandhu Colony,
Majitha Road, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6531 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Parbhat Chand, (70879-19478)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **05.07.2024** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **08.08.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **30.10.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **01.10.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent is absent, but an email has been received from the respondent today i.e. 01.10.2025, mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested an adjournment.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the appellant and examining the case file, the respondent PIO is directed to supply the complete requested information to the appellant pertaining to his RTI application, through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 10.11.2025 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 01.10.2025

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State Information Commissioner
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