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Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur,  
Post Office Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road,  
Ludhiana (East), Ludhiana-141123.

....Appellant

V/s

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Ferozepur.

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3894 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Sandeep Singh Sandhu, FSO-cum-PIO, the respondent.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, an email dated 29.08.2025 has been received from the appellant vide which he has mentioned that no information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO and requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the sought for information.

3. Sh. Sandeep Singh Sandhu, FSO-cum-PIO is present in person and files a response sent to the appellant vide letter dated 15.04.2024 mentioning therein that information as sought by the appellant has been denied to him being third party information and the same is also exempted under Section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act, 2005 and the court case is also pending. He has also made a submission that the appellant was called by the First Appellate Authority twice but he did not turn up and he travelled all over from the Ferozepur to supply the information to the appellant, which leads to an unproductive expenditure of official time and effort of PSIC as well as the Public Authority, which adversely affects the discharge of their regular duties in their respective departments.

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4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the Commission concurs with the contention of the respondent PIO. The Commission has also noted that the appellant has neither attended any of the personal hearing before the First Appellate Authority nor had visited for inspection of the information, which he sought for in bulk, which rendered the exercise substantially unproductive, resulting in wastage of official time and causing avoidable disruption to the respondents' regular duties.

5. It is appropriate to mention the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 6454 of 2011 Central Board of Secondary Education Vs Aditya Bandopadhyay and ors. has in its judgment dated 09.08.2011 observed as under -

(37 Indiscriminate and impractical demands or directions under RTI Act for disclosure of all and sundry information (unrelated to transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities and eradication of corruption) would be counter-productive as it will adversely affect the efficiency of the administration and result in the executive getting bogged down with the non-productive work of collecting and furnishing information. The Act should not be allowed to be misused or abused, to become a tool to obstruct the national development and integration, or to destroy the peace, tranquility and harmony among its citizens. Nor should it be converted into a tool of oppression or intimidation of honest officials striving to do their duty. The nation does not want a scenario where 75% of the staff of public authorities spends 75% of their time in collecting and furnishing information to applicants instead of discharging their regular duties. The threat of penalties under the RTI Act and the pressure of the authorities under the RTI Act should not lead to employees of a public authorities prioritising 'information furnishing', at the cost of their normal and regular duties.)

6. In light of the above, there is no further intervention is warranted in this appeal case. The case is hereby, **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties. Copy of a reply as submitted by the respondent PIO today in the Commission **is being** sent to the appellant along with the Order of the Commission.

**Dated: 02<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025**

Enclosed: A reply dated 15.04.2024

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O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Fatehgarh Sahib.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Fatehgarh Sahib.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3895 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Satwinder Singh, FSO-cum-PIO, respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The respondent PIO is present in person and files a reply sent to the appellant vide letter dated 18.08.2025 wherein he has provided the complete information/reply comprising two pages.
3. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. He has informed the Commission telephonically that he has received the information to his satisfaction and requested to close the case.
4. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 02<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025**

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O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Kapurthala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Kapurthala.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3896 of 2024**

**Present:** None for the parties

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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.02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. Both the parties are absent at today's hearing. The appellant has informed the Commission telephonically that he has received the information to his satisfaction and requested to close the case.
3. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Hoshiarpur.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3901 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Munish Sodhi, FSO on behalf of the respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The respondent PIO is present in person and files a reply in response to the Commission's Notice of hearing vide letter dated 25.08.2025 mentioning therein that complete information as per the RTI application of the appellant has already been provided to him vide letter dated 12.04.2024. Copy of the same is taken on record.
3. The appellant is contacted on phone and is apprised of the version of the respondent PIO. He states that he has received the reply but is not satisfied with the same, as the respondent has not mentioned the court case numbers whatsoever in his reply. The respondent has given in writing at today's hearing that the litigation is pending before the Court of Hon'ble CJM, Hoshiarpur against Case No. COMA/133/2024. Copy of the same is taken on record.
4. A copy of the same is sent to the appellant on his WhatsApp. After going through the response of the respondent, the appellant shows his satisfaction over the same and states that he is satisfied with the reply of the respondent and requested to close the case.
5. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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SBS Nagar (Nawanshahr).

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
SBS Nagar (Nawanshahr).

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3902 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Dr. Balvir, ACS-cum-PIO along with Sh. Amit Kumar, Clerk, the respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The respondent PIO is present in person and files a reply in response to the Commission's Notice of hearing vide letter dated 05.08.2025 mentioning therein that complete information as per the RTI application of the appellant has already been provided to him vide letter dated 25.06.2024. Copy of the same is taken on record.
3. The appellant is contacted on phone and is apprised of the version of the respondent PIO. He states that nothing has been received from the respondent's side. In the meanwhile, the respondent has sent the same to the appellant on his WhatsApp. After going through the response of the respondent, the appellant shows his satisfaction over the same. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he is satisfied with the reply of the respondent and requested to close the case.
4. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Gurdaspur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Civil Surgeon, Gurdaspur.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3903 of 2024**

**Present:** None for the parties.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 10.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 12.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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.02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The respondent PIO is absent at today's hearing. However, a letter dated 01.07.2025 has been from the respondent PIO, which is diarized in the Commission dated 07.07.2025 wherein the requisite information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter no. 1029 dated 29.04.2024. Copy of the same is taken on record.
3. The appellant is also absent at today's hearing but has informed the Commission telephonically that he has received the information to his satisfaction and requested to close the case.
4. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Financial Commissioner (Revenue), Punjab,  
Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4039 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 26.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, a letter dated 29.08.2025 has been received from the appellant vide which he has mentioned that no information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO and requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the sought for information.
3. The respondent PIO represented by Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant submits that reply in response to the RTI application has already been conveyed to the appellant vide letter dated 05.06.2024 that the sought for information could not be provided being third party information, which is clearly exempted under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. Also, the third party Sh. Gurmeet Singh, Ex. Tehsildar (West), Ludhiana, who had superannuated on 31.10.2024, had also given his consent in writing that his personal information should not be disclosed to anyone.
4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the record as available in the file, it is ascertained that the appellant has sought information regarding the service book of Sh. Gurmeet Singh, Ex. Tehsildar (West), Ludhiana which has been denied by the department under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. The perusal of the record reveals that the appellant has sought the third party information which has no public interest. The RTI Act is not means of grievances redressal.

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### **Appeal Case No. 4039 of 2024**

5. It is appropriate to mention the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP no. 27734 of 2012 titled Girish Ramchandra Deshpande Vs Central Information Commission & Ors and another in its order on 03.10.2012 has held as under:-

*“13.....The performance of an employee/officer in an organization is primarily a matter between the employee and the employer and normally those aspects are governed by the service rules which fall under the expression "personal information", the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or public interest. On the other hand, the disclosure of which would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of that individual. Of course, in a given case, if the Central Public Information Officer or the State Public Information Officer of the Appellate Authority is satisfied that the larger public interest justifies the disclosure of such information, appropriate orders could be passed but the petitioner cannot claim those details as a matter of right.”*

6. As discussed above the appellant for seeking the personal information in the instant case has not been made with due bona fides and in larger public interest. The furnishing of the information asked for, if provided, would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of the individual under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act and may also lead to intimidation of such officials. After hearing the respondent and perusal of the reply filed by the respondent, it is ascertained that as per the claim of the appellant and keeping in view the facts that there is no other information which is pending in the office record of the respondent and there is nothing left to be furnished to him.

7. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 02<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025**

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Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Financial Commissioner (Revenue), Punjab,  
Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4040 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 26.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.06.2024 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. 02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, a letter dated 29.08.2025 has been received from the appellant vide which he has mentioned that no information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO and requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the sought for information.
3. The respondent PIO is represented by Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant, has filed reply to the Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter No. 10899 Dated 02.09.2025, states that information pertains to the third party, who was accordingly, informed regarding the RTI application vide Letter No. 6881 Dated 15.05.2024. Said third party, who has refused to consent disclosure of the information sought by the appellant vide his Letter Dated 03.06.2024. Thereafter, the PIO informed the appellant vide Letter Dated 05.06.2024 that the information cannot be provided, being third party as per Section 11 of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. Accordingly from the perusal of this RTI application it has become abundantly clear that the purpose of the appellant in seeking this kind of information does not involve any larger public interest for asking the information as per the details mentioned in his application which are in the form of personal information and was not supplied as per the stance taken by the respondents and it should not be in the

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public domain as has been upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and other Hon'ble Courts to avoid the humiliation and harassment of the employees. Allowing this kind of information will certainly strengthen the abuse of the process of law.

5. As discussed above the appellant for seeking the personal information in the instant case has not been made with due bona fides and in larger public interest. The furnishing of the information asked for, if provided, would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of the individual under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act and may also lead to intimidation of such officials.

6. Keeping in view of the above, there is no further cause of action is left. The case is, thus, **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Financial Commissioner (Revenue), Punjab,  
Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4041 of 2024**

**Present:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 26.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.06.2024 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.02.09.2025 by the Commission.
2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, a letter dated 29.08.2025 has been received from the appellant vide which he has mentioned that no information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO and requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the sought for information.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Jasvir Singh, Sr. Assistant submits that reply in response to the RTI application has already been conveyed to the appellant vide letter dated 05.06.2024 that the sought for information could not be provided being third party information, which is clearly exempted under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the record as available in the file, it is ascertained that the appellant has sought information regarding the assets of Ex. Tehsildar (West), Ludhiana Sh. Gurmeet which has rightly been denied by the department under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. The perusal of the record reveals that the appellant has sought the third party information which has no public interest or activity.

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**Appeal Case No. 4041 of 2024**

5. It is appropriate to mention the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 10044 of 2010 Central Public Information Officer, Supreme Court of India Vs Subhash Chandra Agarwal and the relevant portion of the same is reproduced below:-

“59. Reading of the aforesaid judicial precedents, in our opinion, would indicate that personal records, including name, address, physical, mental and psychological status, marks obtained, grades and answer sheets, are all treated as personal information. Similarly, professional records, including qualification, performance, evaluation reports, ACRs, disciplinary proceedings, etc. are all personal information. Medical records, treatment, choice of medicine, list of hospitals and doctors visited, findings recorded, including that of the family members, information relating to assets, liabilities, income tax returns, details of investments, lending and borrowing, etc. are personal information. Such personal information is entitled to protection from unwarranted invasion of privacy and conditional access is available when stipulation of larger public interest is satisfied. This list is indicative and not exhaustive.”

6. Accordingly, from the perusal of this RTI application it has become abundantly clear that the purpose of the appellant in seeking this kind of information does not involve any larger public interest and was not supplied as per the stance taken by the respondents and it should not be in the public domain as has been upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and other Hon'ble Courts to avoid the humiliation and harassment of the employees. Allowing this kind of information will certainly strengthen the abuse of the process of law.

7. As discussed above the appellant for seeking the personal information in the instant case has not been made with due bona fides and in larger public interest. The furnishing of the information asked for, if provided, would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of the individual under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act and may also lead to intimidation of such officials. After hearing the respondent and perusal of the reply filed by the respondent, it is ascertained that as per the claim of the appellant and keeping in view the facts that there is nothing to be furnished to him.

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**Appeal Case No. 4041 of 2024**

8. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Kapurthala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Superintending Engineer,  
Construction Division- 1, B&R,  
Jalandhar.

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 1191 of 2024**

**Present:** None for the parties.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.07.2025 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, both the parties are absent. However, the appellant has informed the Commission telephonically that he has received the sought for information to his satisfaction and does not intend to pursue the case further.

3. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further intervention is warranted in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 02<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025**

Sd/-  
**(Pooja Gupta)**  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab