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FINAL ORDER

Shri Paramjit Singh, (62809-11653)

S/o Shri Gurmukh Singh,
Village KotFatta,
Tehsil & Distt Bathinda.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Nagar Council, KotFatta,
Tehsil & Distt Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o ADC (UD),
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 943 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **21.05.2025**.

2. The respondent is absent. However, the appellant is absent consecutively without intimation. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful.

3. The perusal of the case file shows that at the last hearing on 21.05.2025, one last opportunity was given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. Keeping in view of the above and examining the case file, the Commission is of the view that the appellant does not intend to pursue the case and he has nothing to say in this regard. The appeal is accordingly **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.09.2025

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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FINAL ORDER

Shri Nirmal Singh Dhiman, (99881-63411)

S/o Late Shri Gurbax Singh,
895, Phase XI, Sector - 65, S.A.S Nagar – 160062
Versus

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Financial Commissioner, Revenue, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Financial Commissioner, Revenue, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6835 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Jaspreet Singh, SA (90417-72931)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **21.05.2025**.

2. The respondent states that a reply, along with information, has already been provided to the appellant as contended at the earlier hearing. Further, he states that a rebuttal of the appellant's application has already been submitted vide Commission diary no. 13623 dated 25.08.2025, which is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that copy of previous order 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, it is ascertained that the respondent has provided appropriate and permissible reply to the appellant. Further, it has also been ascertained that this is a case of grievance of the appellant who has attempted to find redressal thereof by filing second appeal in the Commission. The perception of the appellant that filing of second appeal under RTI Act can be used as a mechanism for redressal of his grievance is beyond the paradigm of the Act. The Commission advises the appellant to approach the competent forum or Court for redressal of his grievance as it is unable to go outside the jurisdiction stipulated by the RTI Act.

5. In wake of aforementioned, this appeal case is hereby devoid of merit and hence **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.09.2025

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FINAL ORDER

Shri Sushil Kumar, (98145-00575)
1410, Phase - 1, Urban Estate,
Dugri Road, Ludhiana - 141013

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Hon'ble Governor, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondent

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 161 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Smt. Seema Sethi, SA (96460-26236)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **12.06.2025**.

2. The complainant is absent, but an email dated 22.08.2025 has been received from him, mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing due to health issues and he also requests that penalty be imposed on the respondent PIO.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Smt. Seema Sethi, SA, states that a reply was sent to the complainant vide letter no. 9515 dated 04.12.2023, wherein the complainant was duly informed that his RTI application was transferred to the concerned department i.e. Department of Industries and Commerce, under section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005, which is within the stipulated period of 30 days. Further, she has filed a detailed reply to the Commission during the course of hearing, which is taken on record.
4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and going through the case file, it is observed that the respondent has replied within stipulated time period as prescribed under the RTI Act, 2005. There is no evidence of any malice on the part of the PIO.
5. This is however, a Complaint Case, wherein the only question before the Commission is to determine whether there was any malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO to deny / delay the information. In view of the respondent's reply and plea made during this hearing, I am satisfied that there was no malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO.
6. The Complaint is accordingly **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.09.2025

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
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