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Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620),
S/o Shri Gurcharan Singh,
R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5076 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Shri Sunil Kumar, Clerk (82838-49198)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

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 reply has already been sent to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The respondent PIO is directed to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner
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Date: 03.11.2026

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Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mohali. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5078 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Shri Sahil, Clerk (70096-97698)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him till date.

3. The respondent states that he has brought the original record at today's hearing and offered the appellant an opportunity to inspect them. Accordingly, the appellant was permitted to inspect the records during the course of hearing.

4. Upon concluding the inspection, the appellant expressed dissatisfaction with the records produced. In light of this, the respondent is directed to provide a point wise reply along with the requested information, to the appellant through registered post **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5079 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **15.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant states that the information sought at point no. 4 and 5 is still pending.

3. The respondent is absent. However, an email has been received from the respondent this morning i.e. 03.11.2026 mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested an adjournment.

4. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, the respondent is directed to provide the information sought at **point no. 4 and 5** to the appellant through registered post **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5081 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Shri Ikjot Dhawan, PIO-cum-Enquiry Officer (77396-77758),
Shri Karmjit Singh, SA (95010-50329), and
Shri Kuldeep Singh, Superintendent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **22.03.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **07.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him till date.

3. The respondent has sought some time to provide the information.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, 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 one week** of receiving these orders, under intimation to the Commission office.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o General Manager, Punjab Roadways,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5082 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Ms. Kamaljit Kaur, Steno (78147-77136)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **02.04.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **07.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant submits that the respondent has provided only partial information.

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

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed to **point out specific deficiencies in writing** to the respondent PIO, with a copy to this Commission. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondent is directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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S/o Shri Gurcharan Singh,
R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o General Manager, Punjab Roadways,
Batala, Distt Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5083 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Shri Harsh Luthra, Clerk (98762-94196)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **08.04.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **07.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The respondent states that the appellant has not deposited the requisite fee, as demanded from him. Hence, the information has not been provided.

3. The appellant states that the respondent demanded the requisite fee after the expiry of the stipulated 30-day period prescribed under RTI Act, 2005. Consequently, the appellant contends that the information must be provided free of cost.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, the Commission observes that the respondent failed to issue the demand notice for fees within the mandatory 30-day timeline. As per Section 7(6) of the RTI Act, 2005, where a public authority fails to comply with the specified time limits, the information must be provided free of cost.

5. Accordingly, the demand for fees raised by the respondent is hereby set aside. The PIO is directed to provide the complete, point wise information to the appellant, free of cost, via registered post **within 15 days** from the date of receipt of this order. A compliance report to this effect shall be submitted by the PIO to this Commission immediately thereafter, failing which appropriate penal proceedings under Section 20 of the Act shall be initiated.

6. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority
O/o State Transport, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5084 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

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 without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. After hearing the appellant and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5088 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **07.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

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 without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. After hearing the appellant and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5261 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **16.08.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

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 without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. After hearing the appellant and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar. **….Appellant**

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Rupnagar. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6657 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjit Singh (84274-98620)
Respondent: Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, Clerk (62832-57710)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **15.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **06.11.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent states that he has brought the reply/information today to be provided to the appellant. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant.

4. The appellant requests that some time be given to him to go through the reply/information provided.

5. In view of the above, **an opportunity** is given to the appellant to go through the reply/information provided and point out deficiencies, if any, to the respondent, under intimation to the Commission office. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Near Kewal Krishan Advocate,
Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur - 143521 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (EE),
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (EE), Gurdaspur. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 5973 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Ms. Anu Arora, Clerk (99147-26600) and
Shri Satpal, District Special Educator (83609-38672)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **09.02.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **09.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **26.09.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent has sought some time to file the reply/information.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the documents placed on record, 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 one week** of receiving these orders, under intimation to the Commission office.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Near Kewal Krishan Advocate,
Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur - 143521 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Primary Education Officer,
Gurdaspur - 2

First Appellate Authority
O/o Block Primary Education Officer,
Gurdaspur - 2 **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6239 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **16.02.2024** vide which the appellant had 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 **16.10.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Phase – 8, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DPI (EE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6242 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.02.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **16.10.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant **within 15 days** after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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Date: 03.11.2026

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Shri Mitter Vasu (82549-63022),
490/12, Bahirampur Road,
Near Kewal Krishan Advocate,
Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur - 143521 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Primary Education Officer,
Batala - 1, Distt Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Block Primary Education Officer,
Batala - 1, Distt Gurdaspur. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6979 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **29.07.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **02.09.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.11.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

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5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

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Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur - 143521 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (EE),
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DG (SE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6980 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Ms. Anu Arora, Clerk (99147-26600) and
Shri Satpal, District Special Educator (83609-38672)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **26.07.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29.08.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.11.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent has sought some time to file the reply/information.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the documents placed on record, 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 one week** of receiving these orders, under intimation to the Commission office.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur - 143521 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (EE),
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (EE),
Gurdaspur. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 6981 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Ms. Anu Arora, Clerk (99147-26600) and
Shri Satpal, District Special Educator (83609-38672)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **26.07.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29.08.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.11.2024** 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. **03.11.2026.**

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 28.10.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to hear the case through online mode. The appellant has further mentioned that the requested information remains pending and is yet to be provided by the respondent.

3. The respondent has sought some time to file the reply/information.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the documents placed on record, 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 one week** of receiving these orders, under intimation to the Commission office.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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RTI Application No. 123577 **….Appellant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Amritsar.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh. **….Respondents**

APPEAL CASE NO. 4900 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Ms. Meenakshi Sehgal on behalf of the appellant (97799-91014)
Respondent: Dr. Nakul via mobile (80545-02999)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **24.09.2026.**

2. Ms. Meenakshi Sehgal, is appearing on behalf of the appellant. She states that she has received incomplete information from the respondent PIO.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Dr. Nakul, attended the hearing via mobile and states that the complete information has already been furnished to the appellant. Further, he states that the appellant has not pointed out any deficiency in the provided information till date.

4. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed to **point out specific deficiencies** in the provided information in writing, if any, to the respondent, under intimation to the Commission office. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondent is directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Both parties are directed to remain present 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 04.03.2027 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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