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Sh. Gurinder Pal Singh

S/o Sh. Jaswant Singh
2988, Old Gate, Jandiala Guru,
Tehsil & Distt Amritsar
M: 8360055001

RTI Application No: 72447

...Appellant

V/s

**Public Information Officer-
-Cum-Incharge, HRC Branch**

O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6069 of 2023

Present: None on Behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Deepak Arora, Incharge, HRC Branch (9814877000) on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.09.2025.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions that he has received the information and requested to penalize the respondent.

3. The respondent, on the other hand, submits that all the information available on record has already been sent to the appellant and no more information is available which can be supplied and he requested to close the case. The respondent further tenders conditional apology and requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to him. After consideration, the show cause notice issued to Sh. Deepak Arora, PIO-Cum-Incharge, HRC Branch, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar, is hereby withdrawn.

4. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 04.12.2025

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC:

Smt. Sakshi Sawhney, IAS
Deputy Commissioner,
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Sh. Om Parkash (Retd.Supt),

H. No. 24/25, Golden Enclave,

Ferozepur City (Punjab)

M: 8968990436

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Inspector General of Police,

Ferozepur Range,

Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Inspector General of Police,

Ferozepur Range,

Ferozepur

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6164 of 2023

Present: None on Behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Rinkaldeep Singh, Clerk (7009822893) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 24.08.2022 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 29.10.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.09.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation, it is also a fact that a notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent which appears that his absence is intentional and willful and/or has nothing to say in this regard and/or does not intend to pursue the case.

3. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Therefore, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 04.12.2025

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Sh. Pardeep Kumar

S/o Sh. Ram Kumar,
Ekta Nagar, Street 2, Ward 13,
Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib

.....Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

Remanded Back

Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS

Secretary,

PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

Encl. RTI Application

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 92 of 2024

Present: None on Behalf of the complainant
Sh.Pawan Kumar, PIO (9877309491),
Sh. Amanpreet Singh, APIO (9780240261) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 23.12.2023 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application and complaint was filed in the Commission on 02.02.2024 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The complainant while filing the complaint case requested that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to provide the complete information.

3. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos. 10787 & 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP No.32768-32769/2010) has held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission. An alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 which has not been availed in the instant

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case. Since the complainant is interested in getting the information, therefore, without going into the merits of the case, the matter is remanded back to **Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS, Secretary, Subordinate Services Selection Board-cum-First Appellate Authority** to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order. A copy of this complaint filed by the complainant is also being sent to him along with this order with the directions that the same may be treated as first appeal. He is also directed that if the First Appellate Authority in this case is from the subordinate office, then this complaint be transmitted to the said First Appellate Authority with the directions to pass appropriate order as mentioned above within the prescribed time line under intimation to the Commission.

3. With the directions the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file the Second Appeal in this case, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority.

Dated: 04.12.2025

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Sh. Manpreet Singh

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PDA, Omaxe City,
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M: 9032023008

.....Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chairman,
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Forest Complex, Sector 68,
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Remanded Back

Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS

Secretary

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Forest Complex, Sector 68,
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Encl. RTI Application

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 616 of 2023

Present: Sh. Kamalpreet Singh (9032023008) on behalf of the complainant
Sh. Pawan Kumar, PIO (9877309491) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 07.08.2023 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application and complaint was filed in the Commission on 10.10.2023 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The complainant while filing the complaint case requested that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to provide the complete information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos. 10787 & 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP No.32768-32769/2010) has held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the

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Commission. An alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 which has not been availed in the instant case. Since the complainant is interested in getting the information, therefore, without going into the merits of the case, the matter is remanded back to **Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS, Secretary, Subordinate Services Selection Board-cum-First Appellate Authority** to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order. A copy of this complaint filed by the complainant is also being sent to him along with this order with the directions that the same may be treated as first appeal. He is also directed that if the First Appellate Authority in this case is from the subordinate office, then this complaint be transmitted to the said First Appellate Authority with the directions to pass appropriate order as mentioned above within the prescribed time line under intimation to the Commission.

3. With the directions the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file the Second Appeal in this case, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority.

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.....Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

Remanded Back

Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS

Secretary,

PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

Encl. RTI Application

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 617 of 2023

Present: Sh. Kamalpreet Singh (9032023008) on behalf of the complainant
Sh. Rohit Kalia (9463404290) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 07.08.2023 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application and complaint was filed in the Commission on 10.10.2023 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The complainant while filing the complaint case requested that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to provide the complete information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos. 10787 & 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP No.32768-32769/2010) has held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission. An alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the

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complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 which has not been availed in the instant case. Since the complainant is interested in getting the information, therefore, without going into the merits of the case, the matter is remanded back to **Sh. Ravinder Singh, IAS, O/o Subordinate Services Selection Board-cum-First Appellate Authority** to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order. A copy of this complaint filed by the complainant is also being sent to him along with this order with the directions that the same may be treated as first appeal. He is also directed that if the First Appellate Authority in this case is from the subordinate office, then this complaint be transmitted to the said First Appellate Authority with the directions to pass appropriate order as mentioned above within the prescribed time line under intimation to the Commission.

3. With the directions the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file the Second Appeal in this case, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority.

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Sh. Saif Jindal

S/o Sh. Rakesh Kumar
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RTI Application No. 95412

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 875 of 2024

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Rohit Kalia, APIO (9463404290) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 19.10.2023 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 07.11.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 15.01.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation, it is also a fact that a notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent which appears that his absence is intentional and willful and /or has nothing to say in this regard and/or does not intend to pursue the case.

3. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Therefore, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

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Sh. Puneet Heer

S/o Sh. Vasdev,
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RTI Application No. 116404

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chairman,
PB, Subordinate Services Selection Board,
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
SAS Nagar

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3847 of 2024

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh.Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant, APIO (9646047915) on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 23.03.2024 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 22.04.2024 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.06.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). The case was fixed for hearing on 16.10.2025 but was postponed due to administrative reasons and fixed for hearing today i.e. 04.12.2025.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation, it is also a fact that a notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent which appears that his absence is intentional and willful and/or has nothing to say in this regard and/or does not intend to pursue the case.

3. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

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