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Sh. Sandeep Kumar Maluja,
S/o Sh.OmParkash, R/o Street No. 2
Near ShaniDevTemple,Patel Nagar
Malout, Distt. Sri Mukatsar Sahib

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Malourt
Distt. Sri Mukatsar Sahib

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Sri Mukatsar Sahib

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3083 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 28.06.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.04.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.05.2026 in the Commission.

3. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present hence one last and final opportunity is given to them to appear before the Commission and state their case. Respondent is directed to send *pointwise* before the next date of hearing.

4. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3083 of 2024

5. To come up on **07.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
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Date :06.05.2026

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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DFSC , Sri Mukatsar Sahib

First Appellate Authority
O/o DFSC , Sri Mukatsar Sahib

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3084 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated NIL vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.04.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.05.2026 in the Commission.
3. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. The perusal of the case file shows that the respondent has sent reply on 06.06.2023 to the appellant that the information demanded by the appellant is third party information. Since the appellant is not present today, hence one opportunity is given to him to appear before the Commission and state his case. *It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing , appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.*
4. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3084 of 2024

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Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
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Date :06.05.2026

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ShGulshan Kumar, (M-9888482109)
#854, Dayal Nagar, GhumarMandi,
Ludhiana-141001

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No.6487 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.12.2025 vide which an opportunity was given to the respondent to appear before the Commission along with the information and state his case. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 16.04.2026. However, on 16.04.2026 the said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. Taking a lenient view one last and final opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **07.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.05.2026

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Ludhiana-141001

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No.6486 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.12.2025 vide which an opportunity was given to the respondent to appear before the Commission along with the information and state his case. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 16.04.2026. However, on 16.04.2026 the said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. An email dated 06.05.2026 has been received from the respondent vide which he has sent his reply. ***Copy of the same be sent to the appellant alongwith these orders to file his rejoinder/response with a copy to the respondent.*** Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **14.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.05.2026

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Shri Ravinderjit Singh,
S/o Shri KanwarRajinder Singh,
Village Kotli Thablan, P.O Parowal,
Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur.
M:-98151 88356

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Fatehgarh Churian, District Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Gurdaspur.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 38 OF 2023

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2026 vide which the copy of deficiencies, as pointed out by the appellant, was sent to the respondent with directions to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 16.04.2026. However, on 16.04.2026 the said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. An email has been received from the appellant that he is unable to attend today's hearing. Respondent has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing. Taking a lenient view one last opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **21.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Rishabh Aggarwal, S/o Sh.Virender

Aggarwal, # 553-1, Block BRS Nagar
Tehsil and Distt.Ludhiana (West)- 141012

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Zone A, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC,
Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4891 OF 2025

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 30.04.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The appellant has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing. Respondent O/o MC, Zone D ,Ludhiana has sent their reply. ***Copy of the same be sent to the appellant alongwith these orders.*** Since, the appellant is not present and this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view one more opportunity is given to them to appear before the Commission and state their case. *It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing , appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.*

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4891 OF 2025

3. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
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Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Malkit Singh, S/o
Sh. Piyara Singh, Villge Lalleh,
PO Karahewala, Tehsil Zira,
Distt.Ferozepur -142043

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat
Lahle, Block Makhu ,Distt.Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4896 of 2025

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 03.04.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present hence one last and final opportunity is given to them to appear before the Commission and state their case. Respondent is directed to send *pointwise* reply before the next date of hearing.

3. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4896 of 2025

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Sd/-

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh.Amrik Chand, S/oSh. Gian Chand
Vidya Vihar Colony, Village Meharban
Tehsil and Distt. Ludhiana - 141007

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DC,Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o DC,Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4877 of 2025

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 18.04.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The respondent has sent reply that the information has been sent to the appellant. Appellant has not informed the Commission about his absence. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present hence one last and final opportunity is given to them to appear before the Commission and state their case. Respondent is directed to send *pointwise* reply before the next date of hearing.

3. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4877 of 2025

4. To come up on **08.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Jasbir Singh, Guru Nanak Nagar
Village Bholapur, PO Ramgarh Chandigarh Road
Distt. Ludhiana - 141123

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Registrar (west)
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM (west), Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4865 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh the appellant
(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 18.05.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. Sh. Jasbir Singh stated that no response whatsoever has been received from the respondents till date. No one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application dated 18.05.2025 and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4865 of 2025

its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s).

3. To come up on **08.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
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Sd/-

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Kartik Batish, S/o Sh.
Yogesh, Paras RamNagar, Tehsil
And Distt. Bathinda - 151001

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Forest Officer,
Gurdaspur

First Appellate Authority
O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
Mohali

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4900 of 2025

Present : (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Sulakhan Pal, Surveyor (9888473866) and Sh.
Bharat Bhushan, Clerk (9465617797)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 02.06.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. The appellant is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

3. Respondent states that the reply/information has already been sent to the appellant.

4 After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, it is ascertained that the information/reply has already been sent to the appellant. The appellant is advised to point out the deficiencies in the information provided by the Respondent. Further the

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4900 of 2025

Respondent is directed to ensure that the deficiencies in the information are made good before the next date of hearing. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **07.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Baljot Singh Gill, S/o
Sh. Iqbal Singh, # 202, Street No. 11
Baba Deep Singh, Village Gill,
Tehsil and Distt. Ludhiana (west)- 141006

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar Ludhiana (south)

First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM Ludhiana (west)

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4899 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Baljot Singh Gill the appellant
(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 13.02.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2023 i.e today.

2. Sh. Baljot Singh Gill stated that no response whatsoever has been received from the respondents till date. No one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application dated 13.02.2025 and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4899 of 2025

its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s).

3. To come up on **07.07.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh. Pardeep Kumar, S/o Sh. Babu Ram
Ward No. 5, JogianMohalla, Tehsil
NaraingarhDistt.Ambala - 134203

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP,Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o DIGP Patiala Range,Patiala

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3061 of 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- ShAmarjit, SrAsstt. (94630-66588)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 25.02.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.04.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.05.2026 in the Commission.
3. The appellant is not present today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence.
4. The respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant. He has also brought the copy of the information today, which is taken on record.
5. This is the first date of hearing and the appellant is not present. In the interest of justice, the appellant is given an opportunity to appear before the Commission and state his case. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on 25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :06.05.2026

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Sh. Pardeep Kumar, S/o Sh. Babu Ram
Ward No. 5, JogianMohalla, Tehsil
NaraingarhDistt.Ambala - 134203

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o DIGP Patiala Range, Patiala

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3059 of 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- ShAmarjit, SrAsstt. (94630-66588)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 20.01.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.04.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.05.2026 in the Commission.
3. The appellant is not present today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence.
4. The respondent has sought time today.
5. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to the respondent to appear before the Commission along with the complete information, pertaining to the RTI of the appellant and also file his specific reply. Further, the appellant is also given an opportunity to appear before the Commission and state his case.
6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh.Kamaljit Singh, S/o Sh. Tarsem Singh,
VPO AujlaJogi, Distt.Kapurthala

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Kapurthala

Respondents

COMPLAINT CASE NO.216 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamaljit Singh, Complainant
(ii) For the respondent- None

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 07.05.2025 whereby the information-seeker has sought information as mentioned in his RTI application. He filed complaint in the Commission on 19.08.2025 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice was issued to the parties for hearing for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 this case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, ie today.

3. The complainant states that the respondent has not provided any reply till date.

4. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. They have not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence.

5. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to file point-wise specific reply, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records, failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on 25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

sd/-

Dated :06.05.2026

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Sh.Manjinder Singh, # 2469
Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar
Distt. Mohali -140301

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Ferozepur

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5032 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh.Manjinder Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent- None

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.02.2026 vide which one last and final opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO to appear before the Commission and state his case.

2. The respondent states that the information has already been provided to the appellant.
3. The appellant states that the information is not complete and he is not satisfied with it.
4. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to the respondent to provide complete information to the appellant, as demanded through his RTI application, within seven days of receiving these orders, under intimation to the Commission office. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :06.05.2026

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Authority, Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Ferozepur

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5034 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh Manjinder Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent- ShRakesh Kumar, ARTO (97819-89166)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.02.2026 vide which one last and final opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO to appear before the Commission and state his case.

2. The appellant states that the information provided to him is misleading. The same is also not readable.

3. The respondent has sought time today.

4. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to the respondent to appear before the Commission along with the complete original record, pertaining to the RTI of the appellant and also file his specific reply. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Patiala

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5033 OF 2023

Present :- (i) ShManjinder Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent- none

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.02.2026 vide which one last and final opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO to appear before the Commission and state his case.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him. Further, he also demands that action be taken against the Respondent-PIO for non supply of information.

3. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant filed RTI on 27.03.2023, but after lapse of more than three years, no information has been given to him, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. Neither the respondent has bothered to inform the Commission about his absence nor he has sent any reply. This is indeed a serious matter

4. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and



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perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

5. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, the Commission, the Commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act , 2005, to **PIO , O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Patiala** as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Kirpal Chand, S/oSh.
Kashmir Chand, Village Jamalgarh, PO Chak
Mahanta Wala, Tehsil Jalalabad, Distt. Fazilka

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Guruharsahai,
Distt. Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4854 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh. Kirpal Chand, appellant along with S.hGurwinder Singh and Sh.Gurmeet Singh
(ii) For the respondent- Sh.Kuldip Kumar Kamboj, Panchayat secretary (99883-77680)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 25.03.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.04.2026 in the Commission. However, on 16.04.2026 the said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, i.e today.

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

3. Sh Kuldip Kumar Kamboj, Panchayat Secretary is appearing on behalf of PIO O/o BDPO, Block Jalalabad, District Fazilka. He states that the information is lying with PIO O/o BDPO, Guruharsahai, Distt Ferozepur whereas the Panchayat regarding whom the appellant has demanded information, has now been shifted to Block Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

4. In view of the above, ***PIO-Sh Parminder Singh, BDPO, Block Guruharsahai, Ferozepur*** is directed to personally present on the next date of hearing, along with the complete information pertaining to the RTI of the appellant and also file his reply. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

sd/-

Date :06.05.2026

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CC: (i) PIO-Sh Parminder Singh, BDPO, Block Guruharsahai, Ferozepur (for necessary compliance)
(ii) PIO O/o BDPO, Block Jalalabad, District Fazilka

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Sh Ram Singh, (M-628032195)
S/o Sh Sardara Singh,
R/o Village Kailaraipur, Patti Malla,
Tehsil & Distt- Ludhiana

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Pakhowal,
Distt Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No.6619 of 2024

Present :- (i) Sh Ram Singh, appellant
(ii) for the respondent : ShGurinderpal Singh, VDO (88720-62903)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.12.2025 vide which the copy of deficiencies, as pointed out by the appellant was handed over to the respondent, with directions to provide complete rectified information to the appellant. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to heard on 16.04.2026. However, on 16.04.2026 the said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 06.05.2026, i.e today.

2. Today the appellant states that the rectified information has not been provided to the appellant.

3. The respondent states that their block has been shifted to BDPO, Block Mullanpur, Ludhiana. He adds that he has also been transferred now and the information is lying with PIO O/o BDPO, Block Mullanpur, Ludhiana.

4. In view of the above, **PIO-O/o BDPO, Block Mullanpur, Ludhiana** is personally directed to be present on the next date of hearing, along with the rectified information pertaining to the RTI of the appellant and also file his reply. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come

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Dated :06.05.2026

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CC: (i)PIO O/o BDPO, Block Mullanpur, District Ludhiana (for necessary compliance)

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Sh. Baljinder Singh Brar, (M-5307886440)
S/o Sh. Jarnail Singh # 1101, 3rd Floor, Shivjot
Enclave, Kharar, Dist. SAS Nagar- 140301
(RTI Application no. 111263)

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP Vigilance Bureau, Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director Vigilance Bureau, Punjab
Mohali

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3097 of 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant

(ii) For the respondent- ShNavjeet Kumar, Head Constable (81988-01313)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 19.02.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.04.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.05.2026 in the Commission.
3. The appellant is not present today. The notice of hearing sent to him has been received back in the Commission office as "undelivered" vide Commission diary no. 5748 dated 04.05.2026 with comments from the postal authorities as "Left address". Copy of the same is taken on record.
4. The respondent states that the appellant has sought information regarding his Grievance ID 20240301655 which has been forwarded to Head Office, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, SAS Nagar. He states that they have already sent their reply regarding the same to the appellant as under:-

ਆਪ ਦੀ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ. ਐਕਟ-2005 ਤਹਿਤ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹਾਸਲ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਨੰਬਰ 111263 ਮਿਤੀ 19.02.2024 ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ। ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ Grievance ID 20240301655 ਦੀ ਵਿਜੀਲੈਂਸ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਮੁਤਾਬਿਕ Grievance ID 20240301655 ਨੂੰ ਵਿਜੀਲੈਂਸ ਬਿਊਰੋ, ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਸ.ਅ.ਸ. ਨਗਰ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਅਗਲੇਰੀ ਯੋਗ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਲਈ ਭੇਜੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ।

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5. This is the first date of hearing and the appellant is not present. In the interest of justice, the appellant is given an opportunity to appear before the Commission and state his case. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **25.06.2026 at 11:30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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