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Shri Gurcharan Singh, (98158-75655)

S/o Shri Gulzar Singh,
VPO Bambhiha Bhai, Village Bari,
Distt Moga – 142001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chief Secretary,
Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab,
Sector - 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Secretary,
Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab,
Sector - 62, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2550 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gurcharan Singh, (9815875655)
Respondent: Shri Gurcharan Singh, Panchayat Secretary (94171-01138)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **29.07.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply from the respondent.
3. The respondent states that he has brought a reply today to be provided to the appellant. Copy of the reply is handed over to the appellant.
4. The appellant has sought some time to go through the same and requested an adjournment.
5. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the Commission has examined the RTI application alongside the reply submitted by the respondent and is of the view that this adequately addresses the RTI application.
6. In view of the appellant's request, the case is adjourned to file his submission. The respondent PIO is exempted for the next hearing of this appeal case.
7. **To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 09.10.2025

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Ms. Mandeep Kaur Sidhu, (98146-99979)

D/o Shri Jaswant Singh,
Village Sidhwan Kalan, Tehsil Jagraon,
Distt Ludhiana - 142024
RTI Application No. 101332

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Surjeet Chand (98766-19233)

Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,
Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o DDPO,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2244 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Ms. Mandeep Kaur Sidhu, (98146-99979)

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **29.07.2025**.

2. The appellant states that she went for inspection in the respondent's office as directed at the last hearing, but even then the respondent did not show them any record and make them sit for several hours. The respondent PIO has also not complied with the order passed by the Commission, which indicates the callous and irresponsible attitude of the PIO which has caused harassment to the appellant.

3. The respondent is absent, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards the orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post in spite of that, he is absent.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the appellant, the respondent PIO is directed to provide the complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission. The appellant is also directed to examine the information and list deficiencies, if any to the respondent, with a copy to this Commission. The respondent is directed to remove the deficiencies (if any), pointed out by the appellant, before the next date of hearing.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 09.10.2025

[Note: After the hearing was over, Shri Surjeet Chand, PIO-cum-BDPO (98766-19233) and Shri Narinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary (98780-24278), came present on behalf of the respondents. They states that he has brought the complete information today to be provided to the appellant and the same was submitted to the Commission. The appellant can collect the information on any working day. The case stands adjourned for further proceedings.]

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Shri Gurmail Singh, (98159-90059)

S/o Shri Kartar Singh,
R/o VPO BahmaniWala, Tehsil Jalalabad,
DisttFazilka.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,
Jalalabad, DisttFazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2357 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gurmail Singh, (98159-90059)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **29.07.2025**.

2. The appellant Shri Gurmail Singh, states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards the orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post in spite of that, he is absent.
4. After having detailed deliberations with the appellant, the respondent PIO is directed to provide the complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. The respondent PIO is further directed to appear in person before the Commission 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. The appellant will be contacted on his mobile number on the next date of hearing for deliberations.
7. **To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 09.10.2025

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State Information Commissioner
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[Note: After the hearing was over, Shri Javeer Singh, GRS (93576-73457), is present on behalf of the respondent. He states that he has brought the complete information today to be provided to the appellant. The Commission has examined the information, but the same is not attested. Accordingly, respondent is directed to send it to the appellant after due attestation. The case stands adjourned for further proceedings.]

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Shri Mandeep Kumar, (94636-72282)

S - 20/101, Khanpur Chowk, Randhawa Colony,
Pathankot – 145001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DPI (C), Punjab,
Phase - 8, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DPI (C), Punjab,
Phase - 8, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6095 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Mandeep Kumar (94636-72282)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **29.07.2025**.

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 in spite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the appellant and examining the case file, **one last opportunity** is awarded to the respondent PIO to provide the point wise reply along with information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission.

5. The respondent PIO is directed to appear in person before the Commission 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. The appellant will be contacted on his mobile number on the next date of hearing for deliberations.

7. **To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 09.10.2025

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Shri K.G Sharma, (98769-69552)

(Retd. Lt. Col.), R/o # 612 Gillco Villas,
GillcoValey, Kharar, Sector - 127, Mohali – 140301

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director,

The Directorate of Research & Medical Education Punjab,
Medical Education Bhawan, Sector – 69,
SAS Nagar, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director,

The Directorate of Research & Medical Education Punjab,
Medical Education Bhawan, Sector – 69,
SAS Nagar, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 180 OF 2025

PRESENT:

Appellant: Shri K.G Sharma, (98769-69552)

Respondent: Dr. Jagjit, PIO-cum-DRME (99583-65641)

Dr. Sunil Kumar, Assistant (99583-65641)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **29.07.2025**.

2. The appellant is present in person and states that nothing has been received from the respondent PIO, so far.
3. The respondent states that a reply has already been supplied to the appellant. Further, he states that the appellant desires to publish his book and the book has not been submitted to his office. He also states that the book was submitted to the ICMR, NIN, Hyderabadh.
4. In view of the complexity of the case and the significant issues involved, it is necessary that the matter be considered by a Double Bench for proper adjudication. Accordingly, the case is transferred to the Registry Branch for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for constitution of a Double Bench. A copy of this Order be marked to the Deputy Registrar, PSIC. Next hearing to be notified after the CIC's decision.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 09.10.2025

Cc: Deputy Registrar, Punjab State Information Commission, along with case file.

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Shri Gurcharan Singh, (98158-75655)

S/o Shri Guljar Singh,
VPO Babiha Bhai, Via Barmari,
Moga – 142001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
BaghaPurana, Distt Moga.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Moga.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1980 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gurcharan Singh (98158-75655)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **30.07.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has received information from the respondent, but he is not satisfied with the supplied information.
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 in spite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter.
4. After having detailed deliberations with the appellant and examining the case file, the appellant is directed to point out specific deficiencies in writing to the respondent, with a copy to this Commission. The PIO is also directed to remove the deficiencies (if any), pointed out by the appellant, before the next date of hearing.
5. The respondent PIO is further directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
6. **To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 09.10.2025

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Shri Vikas Moudgil, (98726-09111)

200/19, New Sabji Mandi,
Village Nagra, Distt Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Kulwinder Singh (98766-10593),
Public Information Officer-cum-, Superintendent,
O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2386 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Vikas Moudgil, (98726-09111) accompanied by
Ms. Sonu Arora Advocate (9653862409)
Respondent: Shri Parminder Kumar, Inspector (83603-52551)

ORDER:

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

2. The appellant states that he has received information from the property tax branch, but the supplied information is incomplete and rest of the information is still pending. Further, he requests the court for complete information.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Parminder Kumar, Inspector, states that the information relates to his branch has already been supplied to the appellant and rest of the information relates to water and sewerage branch and building branch.
4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, the respondent PIO-cum-Kulwinder Singh, O/o MC, Jalandhar, is directed to collect the information from the concerned branches and supply the information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. The respondent PIO is further directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 09.10.2025

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Shri Vikas Moudgil, (98726-09111)

200/19, New Sabji Mandi,
Village Nagra, Distt Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Ravinder (96469-38745)

Public Information Officer-cum-Assistant Town Planner,
O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2387 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Vikas Moudgil, (98726-09111) accompanied by
Ms. Sonu Arora Advocate (9653862409)
Respondent: Shri Gaurav Thakur, Building Inspector (95694-50334)

ORDER:

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

2. The appellant states that he has received a reply from the respondent wherein the sought for information was denied as third party. Further, he states that requested information is not third party and requests the court for complete sought information.

3. The respondent states that the sought information was denied being third party information after the said third party did not agree to give consent to disclose the requested information to the appellant.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, the Commission is of the view that the information sought by the appellant is in the larger public interest. Accordingly, the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent, Shri Ravinder, is directed to supply the point wise reply / information to the appellant through registered post, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Gurjit Singh (94642-49107),
S/o Shri Balvir Singh,
Village Dasgran, Tehsil Anandpur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar - 140133
RTI Application No. 162381

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-
Assistant Director Recruitment Board,
O/o Director, Education Recruitment Board,
Microsoft Building, Near GSSS 3B1, Mohali,

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, (SE), Punjab, Phase - 8, Mohali.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, (SE), Punjab, Phase - 8, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1152 OF 2025

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gurjit Singh (94642-49107)
Respondent: Smt. Meenu Bala, SA (98555-12024)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **13.01.2025** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.02.2025** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.02.2025** 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. **09.10.2025**.

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 sought information relates to Assistant Director Recruitment Board, O/o Director, Education Recruitment Board, Mohali. In view of the respondents reply, the Commission impleads the PIO-cum-Assistant Director Recruitment Board, O/o Director, Education Recruitment Board, Mohali, as deemed PIO in this appeal case who is custodian of the information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the deemed PIO-cum-Assistant Director Recruitment Board, O/o Director, Education Recruitment Board, Mohali, is directed to supply the sought for information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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