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SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Shri Gobind Singh (98145-64575),

S/o Shri Manohar Singh,

Village Bhagchari,

Tehsil & Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib-152032

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o BDPO, Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o DDPO, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2283 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gobind Singh (98145-64575)

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **07.08.2025**.

2. The appellant, Shri Gobind Singh, states that no information has been given to him so far and requests that penalty be imposed on the respondent PIO for delaying the 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 has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter. Accordingly, the Commission deems it appropriate to issue this Show Cause Notice to the PIO O/o BDPO, Malout, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

4. The respondent **PIO O/o BDPO, Malout, District Sri Muktsar Sahib**, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **13.09.2023**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.”

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2283 OF 2024

5. The PIO O/o BDPO, Malout, is directed to supply the requested information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO O/o BDPO, Malout, is further directed to attend the next hearing in person with a written reply to the Show Cause Notice. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his/her presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

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: 13.10.2025

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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Shri Sukhbir Singh (62806-76791, 98765-34123)

House No. 4357, Street No. 4,
Ranjitpura, P.O Khalsa College,
Amritsar – 143002

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2927 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Harpreet Singh, JA (98767-39693) and
Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Clerk (92081-00013)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **07.08.2025**.

2. The respondent states that the complete information as available in the records has already been sent to the appellant as directed vide this Commission's order dated 14.05.2025 and no deficiency has been pointed out by the appellant till date. A copy of the same is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent consecutively, but he has submitted a letter which was received in the Commission vide diary no. 15809 dated 24.09.2025, mentioning therein that he has received incomplete information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, **one final and last opportunity** is awarded to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed. The respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case.

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

Date: 13.10.2025

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Shri Paramjit Singh Bilga (98159-06659),
R/o # 211 A, Adarsh Nagar,
Phagwara - 144402

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5102 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Paramjit Singh Bilga (98159-06659)
Respondent: Mr. Arvind Dhingra, PIO-cum-Associate Professor (98141-63429)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **07.08.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has received incomplete and unattested information from the respondent. Further, he requests the court for complete information be supplied after due attestation. The appellant also states that the requested information is in the larger public interest.

3. The respondent states that the information (37 pages) was already provided to the appellant as directed at the last hearing. The respondent states that there is some personal information in this RTI application requested by the appellant, so they cannot supply all the information.

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.

Date: 13.10.2025

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

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Shri Tarsem Chand, (76960-30143)

(PCS), R/o # 2728,
Sector - 40 C, Chandigarh.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, Vigilance, Punjab,
Sector – 68, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Vigilance, Punjab,
Sector – 68, Mohali.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2506 of 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Superintendent (98158-57905) and
Senior Constable Harpreet Singh (98144-17776)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **07.08.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent, but submitted his written submission vide letter dated 24.09.2025, mentioning therein that he has received incomplete information from the respondent and requested for complete information.
3. The respondent states that the information has already been sent the appellant as directed at the last hearing.
4. Keeping in view of the above, **an opportunity** is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.
5. Both parties are directed to appear 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 01.12.2025 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 13.10.2025

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Shri Paras, (97808-85609)

S/o Shri Shesh Brahm,
R/o # 1291, Ward No. 4, MohallaKaram Singh,
Near Phullan Singh Dairy,
Tehsil & Distt Pathankot.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Local Govt. Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1085 OF 2025

PRESENT: Appellant: Ms. Rashika Bansal, Advocate on behalf of the appellant (83608-25884)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

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

- Ms. Rashika Bansal, Advocate, is appearing on behalf of the appellant, states that the appellant has not received any reply from the respondent.
- The respondent is absent consecutively 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.
- After having detailed deliberations with the appellant, the reply submitted by the respondent is handed over to Ms. Rashika Bansal to peruse the same and submit her rejoinder to PIO before the next date of hearing with a copy of the Commission. On receipt of the rejoinder, the respondent is directed to reply the same, before the next date of hearing.
- The respondent PIO is directed to appear 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.
- To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 13.10.2025

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