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Sh. Harinder Kumar, S/o Sh. Shripal, H.No 3485, Street No 14, Gopal Nagar, Haibowal Kalan, Ludhiana. (M: 9888627135)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Registrar, Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3968 of 2024

(i) None is present on behalf of the appellant. Present:

(ii)S. Pardeep Kumar, AAO-cum-APIO, Sh. Jarnail Singh, Sr. Assistant along with Sh.

Hari Parshad, Clerk on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 13.03.2024 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 21.05.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.
- At today's hearing, the appellant is absent. However, an email dated 12.11.2025 has been 2. received from the appellant mentioning therein that due to high fever, he is unable to attend today's hearing and has sought adjournment.
- The respondent PIO states that point wise reply has already been provided to the appellant on 08.11.2025 as well as on his email i.d.
- Accordingly, one more opportunity is awarded to the appellant to go through the information and revert back to the respondent PIO in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.

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- 5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, exparte.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u>

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Sh. Mandeep Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Amarjit Singh, R/o Village Faridpur Jattan, Sub Tehsil Ghanaur, Tehsil Rajpura, District Patiala. (M: 9464472874) RTI Application No 124687.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Ghanaur, District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3971 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Mandeep Singh Gill, the appellant.

(ii)Sh. Labh Singh, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 21.05.2024 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 22.05.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.
- 2. The appellant requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the sought for information.
- 3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Labh Singh, Panchayat Secretary, states that the information as sought by the appellant is voluminous and more than 35 years old. He has the official records from 2013 onwards.
- 4. After hearing both the parties, it is ascertained that the sought for information is voluminous. Taking a lenient view, the respondent PIO is directed either to provide the information, which is available in their official records, or to file an affidavit that no such record is available in their official records on non-judicial stamp paper, within 15 days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public. It is further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the supplied information is factually true and correct. The original affidavit must be submitted in the Commission, on the next date of hearing, with a copy to the appellant.

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Appeal Case No. 3971 of 2024

5. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u>

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Sh. Muhammad Rizwan, S/o Sh. Mehmmod Ahmed Farooqi, H.No 168/23, Inside Sirhandi Gate, Malerkotla. (M: 9888053459) RTI Application No 112667

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Tehsildar, Malerkotla.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Malerkotla.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3972 of 2024

V/s

Present: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.

(ii)Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, Naib Tehsildar along with Sh. Jagdeep Singh, Kanungo on

behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 29.02.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.
- 2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without intimation.
- 3. The respondent PIO states that the desired information is voluminous in nature and he has brought the original record today in the Commission for the inspection of the appellant but the appellant is absent.
- 4. Accordingly, the appellant is advised to visit the O/o respondent PIO on any working day and inspect the record, with prior notice to the respondent PIO. He is also advised, after getting the information, he should go through the same and revert back to the respondent PIO in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 3972 of 2024

- 5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, exparte.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u>

 <u>Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Bachitter Singh, S/o Sh. Mohinder Singh, H.No 1011, Street No 10, Gurbax Colony, Patiala. (M: 9592050060). RTI Application No 117083.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Assistant Commissioner, State Tax, Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Commissioner, State Tax, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3973 of 2024

V/s

Present: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.

(ii)Sh. Khushkaran Jeet Singh, Suptd., (Grade-2) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 28.03.2024 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 02.05.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 06.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.
- 2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent, without intimation.
- 3. The respondent PIO states that the desired information has already been provided to the appellant (comprising 40 pages). Copy of the same is taken on record.
- 4. Accordingly, one more opportunity is awarded to the appellant to go through the information and revert back to the respondent PIO in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.
- 5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, exparte.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Baljinder Singh Brar, S/o Sh. Jarnail Singh, H.No 1101, 3rd Floor, Shivjot Enclave, Kharar, SAS Nagar. (M: 9464609487).RTI Application No 111268.

....Appellant

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

First Appellate Authority, O/o Director, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Punjab, Sector- 34/A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3976 of 2024

V/s

Present: None for the parties.

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) on 25.03.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.07.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. Notice of hearing has been received back from the postal authorities with the remarks that 'addressee absent'. Copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. A letter dated 05.09.2025 has been received from the O/o Director, Health and Family welfare, Punjab vide which he has transferred the RTI application to the PIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur under Section 6(3) vide letter dated 22.02.2024.
- 4. Since, the subject matter of the RTI application is related with the **respondent PIO O/o Civil Surgeon**, **Ferozepur**. I, accordingly, Order that **respondent PIO O/o Civil Surgeon**, **Ferozepur**, be impleaded as necessary party/respondent in this case.
- 5. Accordingly, one more opportunity is granted to the respondent PIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur to provide point wise, written reply/information to the appellant, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which further steps including initiation of penalty proceedings shall be taken, as per relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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Appeal Case No. 3976 of 2024

- 6. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, exparte. The respondent PIO O/o Director, Health and Family welfare, Punjab is exempted from further appearances in this appeal case.
- 7. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
 Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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[Note: The appellant / complainant can attend the Hearing in person at the Commission or through Cisco Webex. The Cisco Webex number of this Bench is 25179803719 and password is 12345. The appellant / complainant is advised to intimate the Commission regarding the mode of Hearing, at least three weeks before the Hearing on official website i.e. psic21@punjabmail.gov.in]

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Sh. Parminder Singh, S/o Sh. Harbinder Singh, # 2181, Azad Nagar, Near Tara Singh Di Bambi, Kot Khalsa, District Amritsar. (M; 9988158937)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer, Human Resource Development-2, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Engineer, Human Resource Development, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3978 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Parminder Singh, the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Bhupinder Kumar, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 10.01.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on Nil and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the desired information.
- 3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Bhupinder Kumar, Clerk states that the information as sought by the appellant regarding the Answer key is not available in their official records, if it is feasible, the appellant can visit their office on any working day for the inspection of the official records, if he desires so.
- 4. Accordingly, the appellant **Sh. Parminder Singh** is given an opportunity to visit the office of the respondent and inspect the record and procuring any specific information that he requires. The respondent PIO is directed to arrange for inspection of the concerned record pertaining to the RTI application Dated **10.01.2024 on 17.11.2025 at 11.00AM** as mutually fixed today during the hearing. The PIO is to thereafter provide the information, which will be pointed out by the appellant, free of cost. This must be done under the intimation to the Commission on or before the next Hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 3978 of 2024

- 5. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the decision will be taken on merit, ex-parte.
- With this, the case is adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh. 6. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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Sh. Tarlochan Singh, S/o Sh. Gujjar Singh, H.No 57, Anand Vihar, Kapurthala. (M: 9877234537)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Near PSIEC Water Tank, Focal Point, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Superintendent Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, 2nd floor, Midland Financial Centre, Opposite Kings Hotel, Near Bus Stand, Jalandhar.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3980 of 2024

V/s

Present: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.

(ii)Sh. Jaspreet Singh, Assistant Environment Engineered on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 02.01.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 05.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.
- 2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent. However, an email dated 09.11.2025 has been received from the respondent PIO mentioning therein that due to some unavoidable circumstances, he is unable to attend today's hearing and no information has been received till date.
- 3. The respondent PIO submits a reply dated 10.11.2025 sent to the appellant vide which the appellant was informed vide letter dated 06.02.2024 and again on 15.03.2024 that no specific details/address and proper name and style of industry/unit/colony has been mentioned for which record/report/samples etc., are to be accessed by the appellant and was requested to specify the same, so that the desired information could be supplied to him. The respondent PIO further adds that the appellant was invited twice for inspection of the record in their office but he did not turn up.
- 4. Accordingly, the appellant **Sh. Tarlochan Singh** is given an opportunity to visit the office of the respondent and inspect the record and procuring any specific information that he requires. The respondent PIO is directed to arrange for inspection of the concerned record pertaining to the RTI application Dated **02.01.2024 on** mutually fixed date and time. The PIO is to thereafter provide the information, which will be pointed out by the appellant, free of cost. This must be done under the intimation to the Commission on or before the next Hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 3980 of 2024

- 5. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the decision will be taken on merit, ex-parte.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
 Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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Sh. Balwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Nanak Singh, Shop No 43-44, Sehaj Enclave, Amritsar. (M: 9356600031)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o Superintendent Engineer, Public Works Department (Buildings & Roads), National Highway Circle, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (Buildings & Roads), Block C, Nirman Bhawan, District Administrative Complex, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3981 of 2024

V/s

Present:

(i) The appellant is absent.

(ii)Sh.Sandeep Kumar, Senior Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 08.11.2023 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 10.01.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent, without intimation.
- 3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Sr. Assistant submits that the desired information has been denied to the appellant being third party information and reply has already been conveyed to the appellant vide letter dated 21.12.2023.
- 4. After hearing both the parties and perusal of the file, it reveals that the plea taken by the respondent is not convincing and the same is not covered under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. I, accordingly, overrule the objection of the respondent and direct him to provide the requisite information to the appellant, before the next date of hearing, with a copy to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against the concerned officer.
- 5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, exparte.

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Appeal Case No. 3981 of 2024

6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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Mrs. Navjot Sharma, W/o Sh. Baljinder Kumar, R/o Luxmi Nagar, Model Town, Samrala Road, Khanna-141401. (M: 8847027920)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Additional Superintendent Engineer, Distribution Division, Punjab State Corporation Limited, Khanna.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, Distribution,

O/o Chief Engineer, Distribution, Central Zone, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3982 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Baljinder Kumar, on behalf of the appellant.

(ii)Er. Aman Gupta (Sr. XEN) along with Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Divisional Superintendent

on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 16.02.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 19.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant has authorized Sh. Baljinder Kumar to appear on her behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that a reply dated 15.09.2025 has been received from the respondent PIO vide which the respondent PIO has denied the information being third party information, with which the appellant is not satisfied.
- 3. The respondent PIO, represented by Er. Aman Gupta (Sr. XEN) along with Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Divisional Superintendent submit that the desired information cannot be provided to the appellant being third party. Said third party has given consent in writing that her personal information should not be disclosed. Copy of the same is taken on record.
- 4. After hearing both the parties and perusal of the file, it reveals that the plea taken by the respondent is not convincing. I, accordingly, direct the respondent PIO to file a detailed written reply on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy to the appellant.

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- 5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
 Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ranjit Singh Saini, S/o Sh. Ram Saroop Singh, R/o Village Nalas Khurd (10), Tehsil Rajpura, District – Patiala. Pin Code – 140401. (M: 9041103788) RTI Application No 112352.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Rajpura, District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3983 of 2024

V/s

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 27.02.2024 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 04.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, an email dated 13.11.2025 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that till date no information has been supplied to him and requested that directions be issued to the respondent PIO to provide the desired information.
- 3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. A letter dated 22.08.2025 has been received from the O/o Deputy Commission, Patiala vide which directions have been issued to the PIO O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Rajpura to appear for today's hearing, as the subject matter of the RTI application is related with their respective office.
- 4. Since, the subject matter of the RTI application is related with the **respondent PIO O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate**, **Rajpura**, **District Patiala**. I, accordingly, Order that **respondent PIO O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate**, **Rajpura**, **District Patiala**, be impleaded as necessary party/respondent in this case.

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Appeal Case No. 3983 of 2024

- 5. Accordingly, <u>one more opportunity</u> is granted to the <u>respondent PIO O/o Sub Divisional</u> Magistrate, Rajpura, District Patiala to provide point wise, written reply/information to the appellant, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which further steps including initiation of penalty proceedings shall be taken, as per relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
- 6. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a Bailable Warrant. The respondent PIO O/o Deputy Commissioner, Patiala is exempted from further appearances in this appeal case.
- 7. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
 Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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[Note: The appellant / complainant can attend the Hearing in person at the Commission or through Cisco Webex. The Cisco Webex number of this Bench is 25179803719 and password is 12345. The appellant / complainant is advised to intimate the Commission regarding the mode of Hearing, at least three weeks before the Hearing on official website i.e. psic21@punjabmail.gov.in]

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Sh. Pavitar Singh, (M: 8740025000) R/o Near Main Bus Stop,Samadhi Road, Khanna, District Ludhiana. – 141401.

....Appellant

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3988 of 2024

V/s

Present: (i) Sh. Pavitar Singh, the appellant.

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 11.03.2024 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 23.04.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant states that after the lapse of more than a year, no reply/information has been provided to him by the respondent PIO.
- 3. Neither the respondent nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. The notice of hearing was sent by registered post, even though none is present on behalf of the respondent PIO, which shows his carelessness and casual approach towards the Notice of the Commission. The same is not sustainable in the eyes of the law.
- 3. In the end of natural justice, <u>one more opportunity</u> is awarded to the respondent PIO to file a point-wise written reply/information along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 15 days from the receipt of this order. The appellant is also advised to go through the information whenever he receives and revert back to the respondent PIO in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 3988 of 2024

- 4. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.
- 5. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
 Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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Sh. Davinder Sharma (Bitta), S/o Sh. Sham Lal, H.No 874, Street No 6, Janakpuri, Millerganj, Ludhiana. (M; 9417136539, 9803696000)

....Appellant

V/s

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

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3995 of 2024

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 31.10.2023 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 14.03.2024 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.06.2024 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.13.11.2025 by the Commission.

- 2. Neither the appellant nor the respondent PIO is present at today's hearing. However, an email dated 13.11.2025 has been received from the respondent PIO mentioning therein that Nodal Officer Sh. Aditiya Parkash along with Dealing Hand are busy in Lok Adalat, Ludhiana and are unable to attend today's hearing.
- 3. Accordingly, <u>one more opportunity</u> is awarded to the respondent PIO to file a point-wise written reply/information along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 15 days from the receipt of this order. The appellant is also advised to go through the information whenever he receives and revert back to the respondent PIO in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.

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- 4. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.
- 5. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u>
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Sh. Rajinder Singh, S/o Late Sh. Sohan Singh, H.No 108, Satnam Nagar, Nilpur, Tehsil: Rajpura, District: Patiala. (M; 9815186419)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Moga.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Moga.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3801 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Pavitar Singh on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant states that inspite of the directions of the Commission, no reply/information has been provided to the appellant, so far.
- 3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. He has also not intimated the Commission about his non-availability for today's hearing. This is despite the Orders issued to him through registered post, which shows his casual approach towards the Order of the Commission.
- 4. There is nothing on record to show that the **respondent PIO-cum-District Development and Panchayat Officer**, **Moga** has done anything to deal this RTI application. Accordingly, the Commission deems it fit to issue this Show Cause Notice. The **respondent PIO-cum-District Development and Panchayat Officer**, **Moga** 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 **15.03.2024**. He/she should file a written reply in response to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him for not getting the information. **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.**

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Appeal Case No. 3801 of 2024

"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*."

- 5. The **respondent PIO-cum-District Development and Panchayat Officer, Moga**, is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh, along with a written, point wise reply to the RTI application and duly attested copies of all the information requested. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u>

 <u>Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

(Pooja Gupta)
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CC:

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Zonal Office 1, Vatavaran Bhawan,
Nabha Road, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,O/o Deputy Commissioner,
District Administrative Complex, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3802 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Pavitar Singh, on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The representative of the appellant states he is not aware about the inspection of the records and requested that one more opportunity be given to the appellant, in this appeal case.
- 3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. They have also not intimated the Commission about their non-availability for today's hearing. This is despite the Orders issued through registered post, which shows casual approach of the department towards the Order of the Commission.
- 4. In the end of natural justice, <u>last opportunity</u> is awarded to both the parties to remain personally present, on the next date of hearing, for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
- 5. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Phillaur, District: Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Mini Secretariat, Jalandhar.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3803 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Pavitar Singh, on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The representative of the appellant states that inspite of the directions of the Commission, no reply/information has been provided to the appellant, so far.
- 3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present at today's hearing. He has also not intimated the Commission about his non-availability for today's hearing. This is despite the Orders issued to him through registered post, which shows his casual approach towards the Order of the Commission.
- 4. There is nothing on record to show that the **respondent PIO-cum-Executive Officer**, **Municipal Council**, **Phillaur**, **Jalandhar** has done anything to deal this RTI application. Accordingly, the Commission deems it fit to issue this Show Cause Notice. The **respondent PIO-cum-Executive Officer**, **Municipal Council**, **Phillaur**, **Jalandhar** 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 **15.03.2024**. He/she should file a written reply in response to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him for not getting the information. **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.

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Appeal Case No. 3803 of 2024

"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*."

- 5. The **respondent PIO-cum-Executive Officer**, **Municipal Council**, **Phillaur**, **Jalandhar**, is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh, along with a written, point wise reply to the RTI application and duly attested copies of all the information requested. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u>

 <u>Chandigarh.</u> Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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Regd.

CC:

Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, (By Name) (For compliance) **Municipal Council, Phillaur, Jalandhar**,

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Sh. Pavitar Singh, (M: 8740025000). Near Bus Stop, Samadhi Road, Khanna, District Ludhiana-141401.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer.

O/o Collector, Land Acquisition, Industries Department, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Directorate Industry and Commerce, Punjab Room no 205, 2nd Floor, 17 Bays Building, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 912 of 2024

Present:

(i) Sh. Pavitar Singh, the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Darshan Singh, Sr. Assistant, Sh. Jasbir Singh, Suptd.,(Gr-2) along with Sh. Anil

Kumar, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant states that inspite of the directions of the Commission, complete information has still not been provided to him by the respondent PIO concerned.
- 3. The respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Sh. Jasbir Singh, states that he has brought the entire information to deliver it personally to the appellant. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant.
- 4. After going through the information, the appellant shows his dis-satisfaction over the same. On the asking of the Bench, the respondent PIO states that original record pertaining to this RTI application is in the custody of Sh. Ram Babu, Kanungo and requested that he should be personally called by the Commission.
- 5. Accordingly, Sh.Ram Babu, Kanungo, is directed to appear personally on the next date of hearing in the Commission along with the relevant original records pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant on the next date of hearing. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

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Appeal Case No. 912 of 2024

With this, the case is adjourned to 17th December, 2025 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at 5. Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

(Pooja Gupta) **State Information Commissioner Punjab**

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Enclosed: RTI application dated 03.10.2023

CC:

Sh. Ram Babau, Kanungo O/o Collector. Land Acquisition, Industries Department, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

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Sh. Pavitar Singh, (M: 8740025000). Near Bus Stop, Samadhi Road, Khanna, District Ludhiana-141401.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Collector, Land Acquisition, Industries Department, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 8121 of 2023

V/s

Present: (i) Sh. Pavitar Singh, the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Darshan Singh, Sr. Assistant, Sh. Jasbir Singh, Suptd.,(Gr-2) along with Sh. Anil

Kumar, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant states that inspite of the directions of the Commission, complete information has still not been provided to him by the respondent PIO concerned.
- 3. The respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Sh. Jasbir Singh, states that he has brought the entire information to deliver it personally to the appellant. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant.
- 4. After going through the information, the appellant shows his dis-satisfaction over the same. On the asking of the Bench, the respondent PIO states that original record pertaining to this RTI application is in the custody of Sh. Ram Babu, Kanungo and requested that he should be personally called by the Commission.
- 5. Accordingly, Sh.Ram Babu, Kanungo, is directed to appear personally on the next date of hearing in the Commission along with the relevant original records pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant on the next date of hearing. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for delibertaions to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

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Appeal Case No. 8121 of 2023

With this, the case is adjourned to 17th December, 2025 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at 5. Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 13th November, 2025

(Pooja Gupta) **State Information Commissioner Punjab**

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Enclosed: RTI application dated 03.10.2023

CC:

Sh. Ram Babau, Kanungo O/o Collector. Land Acquisition, Industries Department, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

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Sh. Vijay Bhatia, S/o Sh. G.D Bhatia, #2066/2, Sector-47/C, Chandigarh-160047. (M: 9888179068). RTI Application No 98682.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Kharar, District Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Kharar, District Mohali.

.... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1346 of 2024

V/s

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the pervious order dated 30.10.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. Both the parties are absent, at today's hearing, without intimation. The case is adjourned.
- 3. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u> Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. A.K. Bansal, Chief Engineer(Retd.), #404, Sector-7, Panchkula. (M: 9815496888)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer.

O/o Principal Secretary, (Finance), Govt. of Punjab, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary, (Finance), Govt. of Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 773 of 2024

Present:

- (i) Sh. A.K.Bansal, the appellant.
- (ii) Sh. Surinder Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO along with Sh. Manpreet Singh, Sr. Assistant-cum-APIO, the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.08.2025 passed by the Commission.

- 2. The appellant states that he has received a reply dated 11.11.2025 with which he is not satisfied.
- 3. The respondent PIO files point wise written reply/information dated 11.11.2025, which is taken on record. The respondent PIO also stated that 808 writ petitions are dismissed on the same subject matter titled Shila Devi and Others Vs. State of Punjab and others by the Double Bench of the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court vide CWP No.9426 of 2023 (O&M). Copy of the same is also taken on record.
- 4. After hearing both the parties at length, it is ascertained that the information which was available in the official records stands supplied by the respondent PIO. The Bench now directs the respondent PIO to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 15 days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in official records has been supplied to the appellant in AC: 773/2024. It is further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the supplied information is factually true and correct. The original affidavit must be submitted in the Commission, on the next date of hearing, with a copy to the appellant.
- 5. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 19th January, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at</u> Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

(Pooja Gupta)

Dated: 13th November, 2025

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