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Sh. Sewak Singh

S/o Sh. Balvir Singh,
Village – Malout,
Distt. – SriMuktsar Sahib(Punjab)
(M.-9417193767)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Malout,
Distt. – SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer,
SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4997 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Sewak Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.
3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.
4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby adjourned to **02.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall remain present in person on the next date of hearing and clarify the facts of the case. Failing to do so, adverse view will be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Chandigarh
14.10.2025

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



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Sh. Jagtar Singh
S/o Sh. Balvir Singh,
H. No. 2028, Sector 66,
S. A. S. Nagar - 160062(Punjab)
(M.-9463064909)

....Appellant

V/s

Sh. Kuldeep Singh Bath
Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director, Public Instruction (Elem.)Pb.,
Vidhya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex, Sector 68,
SAS, Nagar (Mohali), Pb.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of School Education,
Pb. Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4683 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Jagtar Singh
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order may be read in continuation of the previous order of the Commission dated **13.01.2025**, which was heard by the Hon'ble CIC **Sh. Inderpal Singh**, and was thereafter re-allocated to the undersigned Bench.
2. The appellant is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.
3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.
4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby **adjourned to 02.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall **remain present in person** on the next date of hearing and **clarify the facts of the case**. Failing to do so, **adverse view will be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

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Sh. Malkeet Singh

S/o Late Sh. Santokh Singh,
Village – Panjawa Mandal,
Tehsil – Khuyian Sarwar,
Distt. - Fazilka (Punjab)
(M : 8054569164)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Khuyian Sarwar at Abohar,
Distt. - Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Fazilka (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2180 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Lal Bhadur Singh (Panchayat secty.)

ORDER:

1. The case was last heard on 10.06.2025, wherein the Commission directed the PIO to attest the copies of information already provided to the appellant, to furnish a notarized affidavit affirming that the information supplied is complete, true and correct as per record, and to submit a compliance report within 15 days from receipt of the order.

The matter has been reopened on the request of the appellant.

2. During the hearing, the appellant remained absent but informed the Commission regarding his inability to attend. The respondent, Sh. Lal Bahadur Singh, Panchayat Secretary, appeared and stated that the information has already been supplied twice, on 09.06.2025 and 10.10.2025, and requested that Sh. Guljeet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, who earlier dealt with the case, be included for further compliance.

3. In view of the submissions, the Commission directs the PIO to ensure full compliance with the previous order dated 10.06.2025, and to submit a fresh compliance report within 15 days from the receipt of this order. **Sh. Guljeet Singh, Panchayat Secretary**, is hereby impleaded in the matter for necessary compliance.

4. Next hearing on 02.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh

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Sh. Bhagwant Rai
S/o Sh. Lachhmi Narain,
H. No B/XI A 3764,
Corner Backside Dr. Harvinder Homeopathy ,
New Bus Stand Road,
Barnala-148101 (Punjab)
(M : 9815275300)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Barnala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(General),
Barnala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 202 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The case was last heard by the then State Information Commissioner, **Sh. Amrit Pratap Singh Sekhon**, and was disposed of on **12.02.2024**.
2. The matter has been reopened on the request of the appellant.
3. During today's hearing, both parties remained absent.
4. The case is **adjourned**, granting one more opportunity to the appellant to appear before the Commission and represent his case, failing which it shall be decided **ex parte**.
5. The PIO/APIO is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing.
6. **Next hearing on 02.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

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Sh. Sohan Lal
S/o Sh. Partap Chand,
Village – Taragarh,
Tehsil & Distt. - Pathankot(Punjab)
(M.-7508184752)

....Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 421 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of Complaint received in the Commission
29.08.2024	--	13.11.2024

Present:

Complainant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Lalit VDO

ORDER:

1. The Complainant filed above mentioned complaint case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.

2. Complainant is absent, without intimation.

3. Respondent, Sh. Lalit, V.D.O., stated that the requisite information comprising **274 pages** has been provided to the complainant. As the complainant is absent, **one final opportunity** is granted to appear and point out any discrepancies, if any. Failing this, the case shall be decided on merits ex-parte on the next date of hearing.

4. Next hearing on 02.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh

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Sh. Manjit Singh, (M.-9876530116)
H. No. 1620,
Sector 7 - C,
Chandigarh - 160019 (U. T.)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Treasury and Accounts,
Deptt. Of Finance,
Planning Bhawan, Sector-33A,
Chandigarh (U.T.)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Secretary to
Government of Punjab,
Department of Finance,
Punjab Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4669 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
05.12.2023	--	01.04.2024	--	16.07.2024

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Amit (Section Officer), Sh. Amrik Singh (Auditor)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned complaint case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.

2. The appellant remained **absent without any intimation** to the Commission. The respondent, **Sh. Amit (Section Officer) and Sh. Amrik Singh (Auditor)**, appeared and stated that the requisite information has already been provided to the appellant in compliance with the provisions of the RTI Act. They further submitted a **written reply** to the Commission vide letter reference **No. 259 dated 13.10.2025**, which has been **taken on record along with all supporting enclosures**.

3. After examining the submissions and available record, the Commission observes that the respondent has made reasonable efforts to furnish the information sought. However, in the interest of natural justice, **one final opportunity** is granted to the appellant to appear before the Commission and present his version, if any discrepancy persists. In case of continued non-appearance or failure to point out specific deficiencies, the matter shall be **decided on merits based on the available record**.

4. **Next hearing on 02.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



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Sh. Gurdev Singh
S/o Sh. Jarnail Singh,
Ward - 12, Makhu,
P. O. - Makhu, .
Tehsil - Zira, Distt. - Ferozepur (Punjab)
(M.-8146215004)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chairman,
Scheduled Caste Commission, Pb.,
Room No. 08, 4th Floor,
Pb. Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chairman,
Scheduled Caste Commission, Pb.,
Room No. 08, 4th Floor,
Pb. Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7105 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
26.04.2023	--	Remanded to FAA	--	02.11.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Gurdev Singh
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.
3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.
4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby adjourned to **03.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall remain present in person on the next date of hearing and clarify the facts of the case. Failing to do so, adverse view will be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Dhaliwal
S/o Late Sh. Rupinder Singh,
C/o Dhaliwal medical Hall,
K. C. G. Sudhar Bazaar,
Tehsil - Raikot, Distt. - Ludhiana - 141104(Punjab)
(M.-9815975289)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat - Sudhar (Patti Gill)
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Sudhar, Distt.-Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Block - Sudhar, Distt.-Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6694 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
15.07.2022	--	05.06.2023	--	16.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Gurdeep Singh on behalf of appellant
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant representative is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.
3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.
4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby **adjourned to 03.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall **remain present in person** on the next date of hearing and **clarify the facts of the case**. Failing to do so, **adverse view will be taken** as per the provisions of the *RTI Act, 2005*.

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Sh. Gurdeep Singh
S/o Sh. Darshan Singh,
Village – Boparai Kalan,
Tehsil – Jagraon,
Distt. – Ludhiana – 141422 (Punjab)
(M.-9217200112)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer –cum-
Programme Officer,
MGNREGA, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6695 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
14.04.2023	--	14.07.2023	--	16.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Gurdeep Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.

2. The appellant representative is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.

3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.

4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby **adjourned to 03.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall **remain present in person** on the next date of hearing and **clarify the facts of the case**. Failing to do so, **adverse view will be taken** as per the provisions of the *RTI Act, 2005*.

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Sh. Gurdeep Singh
S/o Sh. Darshan Singh,
Village – Boparai Kalan,
Tehsil – Jagraon,
Distt. – Ludhiana – 141422 (Punjab)
(M.-9217200112)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat – Boparai Kalan
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Sudhar, Distt.-Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6696 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
03.03.2023	--	26.04.2023	12.07.2023	16.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Gurdeep Singh
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant representative is present and has stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the Respondent PIO till date.
3. The Respondent PIO is absent today without any intimation, though notice of hearing was duly issued to him. In view of this, an opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO.
4. As nobody is present on behalf of the respondent authority, the case is hereby **adjourned to 03.12.2025 for personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh at 11:00 AM**, with the directions to the Respondent PIO shall remain present in person on the next date of hearing and clarify the facts of the case. Failing to do so, adverse view will be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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Sh. Krishan
S/o Sh. Nathu Ram,
V.P.O. – Sedha Singh Wala,
Tehsil – Jaito,
Distt. – Faridkot – 151205 (Punjab)
(M.-9781738564)
RTI Application No. 147902

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6931 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
02.10.2024	--	08.11.2024	--	20.11.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Krishan
Respondent: Sh. Manmohan Singh (Panchayat Secty.)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are present and have been heard.
3. The appellant submitted that only the copies of the cash book are pending and have not yet been provided.
4. The respondent, Sh. Manmohan Singh, Panchayat Secretary, assured the Commission that the pending copies of the cash book shall be provided to the appellant.
5. The Commission accordingly directs the respondent to supply the pending copies of the cash book to the appellant within 15 days from the receipt of this order and to submit a compliance report to the Commission without fail.
6. **Next hearing on 03.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

Chandigarh
14.10.2025

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Sh. Baldev Singh
S/o Sh. Banta Singh,
Village – Sedha Singh Wala,
Tehsil – Jaito,
Distt. – Faridkot – 151205(Punjab)
(M.-8284930070)
RTI Application No.147899

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7029 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
02.10.2024	--	07.11.2024	--	26.11.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Baldev Singh

Respondent: Sh. Manmohan Singh (Panchayat Secty.)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are present and have been heard.
3. The appellant submitted that the records supplied to him are **not attested**.
4. The respondent, Sh. Manmohan Singh, Panchayat Secretary, assured the Commission that the **same shall be duly attested and provided** to the appellant.
5. The Commission accordingly **directs the respondent to provide duly attested copies of the records to the appellant within 15 days** from the receipt of this order and to **submit a compliance report** to the Commission.
6. **Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

Chandigarh
14.10.2025

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Sh. Sharandeep
S/o Sh. Tarsem Lal,
Village – Dravan, Block -Bhogpur,
Distt. – Jalandhar – 144201 (Punjab)
(M.-9878422223)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Bhogpur, Distt. – Jalandhar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Jalandhar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1534 of 2025

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
27.08.2024	--	11.10.2024	--	05.03.2025

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Sharandeep
Respondent: Sh. Mohit Anand (Panchayat Secty.)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are present and have been heard. The Appellant, **Sh. Sharandeep**, pointed out certain deficiencies in the information provided to him, which was also delayed considerably.
3. The Respondent, **Sh. Mohit Anand, Panchayat Secretary**, has assured the Commission that the deficient information will be supplied to the Appellant at the earliest.
4. The matter is hereby **adjourned** with a direction to the **BDPO, Bhogpur** to look into the matter personally and ensure **strict compliance** of this order within the stipulated period. In case of non-compliance, the BDPO shall be held responsible and necessary action as per RTI Act shall be initiated.
5. **Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

Chandigarh
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Dhilwan Kalan,
Near Bastar Sthaan,
Tehsil - Kotkapura,
Distt. - Faridkot - 151204 (Punjab)
(M.-99417746994)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer
Kotkapura (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1673 of 2025

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
06.11.2024	--	09.12.2024	--	28.02.2025

Present:

Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are absent. In view of their absence, the matter is hereby adjourned.
3. The PIO/APIO is strictly directed to ensure that an appropriate and complete response is provided to the appellant well before the next date of hearing, without fail. Further, the PIO must ensure his personal appearance on the next date of hearing. Failure to comply may invite appropriate action under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. The appellant is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, either in person or through an authorised representative, to pursue the matter further.
5. **Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

Chandigarh
14.10.2025

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



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Sh. Jaswant Singh Randhawa,
H. No. 5, Street No. 3,
Aman Vihar, Bhadson Road,
Patiala (Punjab)
(M.-9417329600)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer
Patiala (Rural) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2137 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
24.07.2023	--	05.09.2023	--	07.03.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Jagdev Singh on behalf of Appellant
Respondent: Sh. Baljinder Singh (JE)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are present and heard. The Respondent, **Sh. Baljinder Singh, Junior Engineer**, submitted that similar matters bearing Appeal Case Nos. **2137/2024** and **2138/2024**, listed before this Bench, are also pending before another Bench of the Commission, presided over by **Ld. SIC Dr. Bhupinder Singh Batth**, as Appeal Case Nos. **423/2024** and **425/2024**, respectively.
3. It has been further stated that the next date of hearing in the said matters has been fixed for **11.12.2025**. The Respondent, therefore, requested that the present appeal cases be closed, since the identical matters are already sub judice before another Bench of the Commission.
4. Considering the submission and the fact that the same subject matter is pending adjudication before another Bench, the present appeal cases, i.e. **AC Nos. 2137/2024 and 2138/2024**, are hereby **dismissed as infructuous** to avoid duplication of proceedings.

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H. No. 13 G,
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Saiona Road,
Patiala (Punjab)
(M.-9417329600)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer
Patiala (Rural) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2138 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
24.07.2023	--	05.09.2023	--	07.03.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Jagdev Singh

Respondent: Sh. Baljinder Singh (JE)

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Both parties are present and heard. The Respondent, **Sh. Baljinder Singh, Junior Engineer**, submitted that similar matters bearing Appeal Case Nos. **2137/2024** and **2138/2024**, listed before this Bench, are also pending before another Bench of the Commission, presided over by **Ld. SIC Dr. Bhupinder Singh Batth**, as Appeal Case Nos. **423/2024** and **425/2024**, respectively.
3. It has been further stated that the next date of hearing in the said matters has been fixed for **11.12.2025**. The Respondent, therefore, requested that the present appeal cases be closed, since the identical matters are already sub judice before another Bench of the Commission.
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Sh.Satish Kumar
S/o Sh. Hans Raj,
V.P.O. – Patti,
Distt. – Hoshiarpur - 146104 (Punjab)
(M.-8198845648)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Hoshiarpur - 2 (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 467 of 2025

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
23.05.2024	--	27.09.2024	--	07.01.2025

Present:

Appellant: Sh.Satish Kumar

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant appeared and submitted that no information has been provided to him so far. However, no one appeared on behalf of the Public Information Officer (PIO).
3. In view of the respondent's absence and the appellant's submission, the matter is **adjourned** with a **strict direction** to the PIO to ensure that an appropriate and complete response is provided to the appellant **well before the next date of hearing**, without fail. The PIO is further directed to ensure **personal presence** on the next date of hearing, **failing which appropriate action may be initiated** as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. **Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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Badala Road,
Kharar, Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)
(M.-9814611483)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
Pb. State Power Corporation Ltd.,
The Mall, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chief Engineer (South Zone)
Pb. State Power Corporation Ltd.,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7119 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
05.09.2024	--	16.09.2024	18.10.2024	02.12.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Surinder Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. The appellant appeared and submitted that no information has been provided to him so far. However, no one appeared on behalf of the Public Information Officer (PIO).
3. In view of the respondent's absence and the appellant's submission, the matter is **adjourned** with a **strict direction** to the PIO to ensure that an appropriate and complete response is provided to the appellant **well before the next date of hearing**, without fail. The PIO is further directed to ensure **personal presence** on the next date of hearing, **failing which appropriate action may be initiated as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**
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(M.-9780065338)

....Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
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...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 405 of 2024
Complaint Case No. 406 of 2024
Complaint Case No. 409 of 2024
Complaint Case No. 410 of 2024
Complaint Case No. 411 of 2024
Complaint Case No. 414 of 2024

Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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- The Complainant is absent without intimation for the **second consecutive hearing**, and as per the record, he has already **received the requisite information**, as stated during the hearing dated **03.07.2025**.
- In view of the above and considering the compliance submitted by the Respondent PIO, the **show cause notice is hereby dropped**. However, the Commission **strictly warns** the PIO to ensure that **RTI applications are processed and disposed of strictly within the prescribed time frame** under the RTI Act, 2005.
- The Commission further advises the Respondent Public Authority to convene **periodic conferences, workshops, or seminars** to sensitize, familiarize, and educate its officials about the relevant provisions of the **Right to Information Act, 2005**, for ensuring transparency, accountability, and effective discharge of their duties and responsibilities.
- In view of the above, the above mentioned **complaint cases stands disposed of and closed**.

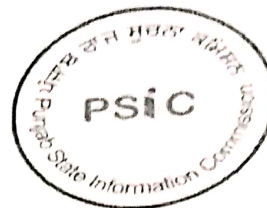
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Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

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Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
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Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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Complaint Case No. 414 of 2024

Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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Village – Sedha Singh Wala,
Tehsil – Jaito,
Distt. – Faridkot – 151205 (Punjab)
(M.-9878006504)
RTI Application No.147899

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer
Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7030 of 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
02.10.2024	--	07.11.2024	--	26.11.2024

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Satwinder Singh
Respondent: Sh. Manmohan Singh (Panchayat Secty.)

ORDER:

The Appellant filed the above-mentioned appeal before the Commission. Accordingly, the case was fixed for hearing today.

- Both parties are present and heard.
- The Appellant submitted that the records supplied to him are irrelevant and misleading.
- The Respondent, **Sh. Manmohan Singh, Panchayat Secretary**, assured the Commission that he will review the reply and records.
- In view of the above, the Commission directs the BDPO, Jaito, to personally look into the matter and ensure that duly attested and complete copies of the relevant records are provided to the Appellant within 15 days from the receipt of this order. A compliance report shall be submitted to the Commission within the same period.
- Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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....Appellant

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Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7020 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
03.08.2023	--	04.09.2023	--	30.10.2023

Present :

Appellant: Sh. Kuldeep Singh
Respondent: Sh. Rohit Thakur (clerk)

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **12.08.2025**.
2. **Both parties are present.** The Appellant pointed out certain **discrepancies** in the information supplied. The Respondent, **Sh. Rohit Thakur (Clerk)**, stated that **all available records** have already been provided and **nothing remains pending**. The Appellant requested that this be confirmed through an affidavit.
3. **In view of the above, the PIO is directed to file an affidavit within 15 days** of the issue of this order, stating that the information furnished is **true, correct, and complete** as per the office record and that **nothing has been concealed or withheld**. The **original affidavit** shall be sent to the Appellant, with a copy to the Commission.

4. Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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R/o Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Bholapur, Post Office Ramgarh,
Chandigarh Road, District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer – cum –
Assistant Town Planner, Building Branch, Zone-B,
O/o Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5069 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order of the commission dated 15.07.2025.
2. Today, both the Appellant and the Respondent PIO are absent. However, emails have been received from both, which are taken on record.
3. The Respondent PIO has expressed his inability to attend the hearing due to a demolition drive in his office and has enclosed a copy of the reply sent to the Appellant vide letter No. 2176 dated 04.03.2024, which has been taken on record. The Appellant, on the other hand, has stated that no information has been received so far.
4. In view of the above, another opportunity is granted to the Respondent PIO to ensure strict compliance with the previous directions of the Commission and to appear in person along with complete records and proof of information supplied on the next date of hearing. The last order shall remain in force.
5. The Director, Local Government, Punjab is directed to ensure the presence of the concerned PIO on the next date of hearing. The matter is adjourned, and the earlier order shall continue to operate until compliance is made.
6. **Next hearing on 04.12.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
14.10.2025

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

CC: Director, Local Government (Municipal Services), Punjab
Department of Local Government, Punjab
Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 3, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh – 160022

(to ensure compliance)

