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Shri Yogesh Mahajan, (98143 54649)

R/o Opposite Water Tank,
Municipal Market, Mission Road,
Pathankot.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o XEN,

Water Supply & Sanitation,

Division No. 3, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Superintendent Engineer,

Water Supply & Sanitation Circle,

Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2469 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Shivam Sachdeva, SDE

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. The appellant is absent. The respondent Public Information Officer (PIO), represented by SDE Sh. Shivam Sachdeva, appeared and stated that in compliance with the Commission's order dated 24.06.2024, the penalty amount of ₹10,000/- has been deposited in the Government Treasury.

3. With regard to the compensation amount, the respondent requested 15 days' time and submitted an assurance letter from the PIO vide letter reference no. 2169 dated 16.04.2025, undertaking to deposit the compensation amount of ₹10,000/- within the requested period.

4. Keeping in view the above, the Commission observes that the information stands supplied, the penalty amount has been duly deposited, and an assurance has been given by the PIO to deposit the compensation amount within 15 days.

5. In light of the assurance submitted, this case is hereby DISPOSED OF with a direction to the PIO to ensure the deposit of the compensation amount of ₹10,000/- within 15 days from the date of this order and submit proof of the same to the Commission.

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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O/o XEN,

Water Supply & Sanitation,

Division No. 3, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Superintendent Engineer,

Water Supply & Sanitation Circle,

Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2471 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Shivam Sachdeva, SDE

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. The appellant is absent. The respondent Public Information Officer (PIO), represented by SDE Sh. Shivam Sachdeva, appeared and stated that in compliance with the Commission's order dated 24.06.2024, the penalty amount of ₹10,000/- has been deposited in the Government Treasury.

3. With regard to the compensation amount, the respondent requested 15 days' time and submitted an assurance letter from the PIO vide letter reference no. 2169 dated 16.04.2025, undertaking to deposit the compensation amount of ₹10,000/- within the requested period.

4. Keeping in view the above, the Commission observes that the information stands supplied, the penalty amount has been duly deposited, and an assurance has been given by the PIO to deposit the compensation amount within 15 days.

5. In light of the assurance submitted, this case is hereby DISPOSED OF with a direction to the PIO to ensure the deposit of the compensation amount of ₹10,000/- within 15 days from the date of this order and submit proof of the same to the Commission.

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RTI Activist & Whistle Blower,
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1331-5, Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Shimlapuri, Ludhiana-141003

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Gidderbaha,
District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2551 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.
2. Both parties have remained absent for the third consecutive hearing without any prior intimation. The continued absence of the appellant, without any explanation, indicates a lack of interest in pursuing the matter.
3. In light of the above, the case is **disposed of due to non-prosecution**, with **liberty to the appellant to file an application for revival of the case within 15 days** from the date of this order, subject to providing a **satisfactory explanation for his absence** before the Commission.

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Mohinder Singh, (94638 62566)
S/o Shri Surain Singh,
R/o Village Fattu Wala,
Tehsil Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar,
Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2563 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.
2. The appellant has remained absent throughout the proceedings after filing the second appeal before the Commission, and has not appeared for any of the scheduled hearings, despite the issuance of notices and orders by the Commission.
3. The respondent APIO, however, has submitted a reply vide letter reference no. 171 dated 30.06.2023, stating that the sought information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter reference no. 139 dated 05.06.2023. After the submission of this reply, the appellant has not appeared before the Commission to contest or raise any further grievance.
4. In view of the above, it appears that the appellant is no longer interested in pursuing the matter. Therefore, the case is **DISPOSED OF** due to non-prosecution, with **liberty to the appellant to approach the Commission again within 15 days from the date of this order, if he has any grievance remaining and by providing a valid reason for his continued absence.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Pritpal Singh,
R/o # 107/1, New Green City,
Ajnala Road, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2588 OF 2023

Order:

1. The appellant, S. Pritpal Singh, is reported to have passed away on 10.08.2024, as informed by his son, Sh. Yuvraj Singh(vide letter dated 02.04.2025 diary no. 4853), who submitted that the appellant had been battling cancer for nearly a year. The submission further states that the family is unaware of the details of the case and is unable to pursue the matter any further. The respondent has also remained absent.

2. In view of the unfortunate demise of the appellant and the request from his legal heir to not proceed with the case, the matter is **CLOSED as infructuous.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Parbodh Chander Bali,
R/o H. No. 121-A, Krishna Square-II,
Batala Road, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2615 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.
2. Both parties have remained absent for the fifth consecutive hearing without any prior intimation. The continued absence of the appellant, without any explanation, indicates a lack of interest in pursuing the matter.
3. In light of the above, the case is **disposed of due to non-prosecution**, with **liberty to the appellant to file an application for revival of the case within 15 days** from the date of this order, subject to providing a **satisfactory explanation for his absence** before the Commission.

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Shri Raminderpal Singh, (84377 11110)
R/o MIG 146, Housing Board Colony,
C-Block, Ranjit Avenue,
Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

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

Public Information Officer,
O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Development, Amritsar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2624 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.
2. Both the appellant and the respondent have remained absent for the third consecutive hearing, despite service of notices.
3. However, in the absence of the appellant, who has failed to appear or communicate any reason for non-attendance, it appears that he is not interested in pursuing the matter further.
4. Accordingly, the case is **disposed of due to non-appearance of the appellant, with liberty to revive the case within 15 days from the date of this order**, if the appellant provides a valid reason for the absence.

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Shri Baaj Singh, (83607 44002)
S/o Shri Tara Singh,
R/o Village Wariam, Post Office Makhu,
Tehsil Zira, District Ferozepur-142044

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Block Makhu, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2786 OF 2023

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.
2. Both parties are absent. It is observed that the appellant has never appeared before the Commission after filing the second appeal, despite issuance of multiple notices and orders.
3. The continued absence of the appellant, without any intimation or justification, not only reflects a lack of interest in pursuing the matter but also results in unnecessary wastage of the Commission's time and resources.
4. Accordingly, the case is **DISPOSED OF** due to non-prosecution, with **liberty to the appellant to approach the Commission within 15 days from the date of this order, along with a valid reason for his non-appearance**, if so desired.

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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S/o Shri Dev Karan Yadav,
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Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DPI (SE), Punjab,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Education Department,
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 0124 OF 2020

Present:

Appellant: Advocate (Dr.) Rau P.S. Girwar

Respondent: Sh. Dalwinder Kumar (Sr. Assistant)

FINAL ORDER :

1. The appellant had filed an RTI application dated 23.02.2019 seeking information regarding the **list of selected candidates for Advertisement No. 1, published in The Tribune by the Department of Education, Punjab**, among other details as enumerated in the RTI application. Upon non-receipt of satisfactory information, the appellant filed a First Appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 13.11.2019, and subsequently, a Second Appeal was filed before the Commission on 30.12.2019 under Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005. The case was last heard on 04.03.2025 .
2. Both parties are present.
3. The appellant denied having received the information. However, the respondent PIO's representatives submitted that the complete information was sent via registered post to both the appellant and the Commission. The Commission confirmed receipt of the same under diary no. 11364 dated 02.09.2024 (comprising 60 pages with a DVD), and handed over a copy to the appellant's counsel during the hearing, who acknowledged receipt.
4. The respondent stated that the information provided is complete as per office records. Accordingly, the Commission directs the PIO to **submit an undertaking** stating that the information supplied is **true and complete as per official records**, and **send the original copy to the appellant with a copy to the Commission within 20 days** from the date of issue of this order, without fail. The case is **DISPOSED OF** accordingly.

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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