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Sh. Raveel Kamal Singh Dhaliwal,
S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh Dhaliwal,
R/o Village Tathtu Wala,
PO Sodhi Nagar Ferozepur.
M: 8869900001
Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Ghal Khurd, Ferozepur.

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

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4570 OF 2022

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.02.2025 vide which the appellant was directed to inspect the record in the O/o respondent on 05.03.2025 and the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. However, in the interest of justice and taking a lenient view of the matter, last opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. *It is also made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in their absence shall be passed.*

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4570 OF 2022

3. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

4. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :17.06.2025

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Sh Sarbjit Singh, S/o Sh Jagir Singh,
H.NO 298, Sector 15, Sai Kirpa,
Village Sarna,
Tehsil & Distt- Pathankot-145025
(M-9814691777)

RTI application No. 90721

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Govt. ITI, Pathankot

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Govt. ITI, Pathankot

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 199 OF 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2025 vide which the respondent-PIO was directed to provide complete information to the appellant and the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is not present today. He has sent an e-mail intimating that due to his ill health he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. Further, the appellant has filed his submissions through e-mail(s), which are taken on record.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Respondent-PIO through which he has sought an exemption from today's hearing. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. *It is also made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in their absence shall be passed.*

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APPEAL CASE NO. 199 OF 2024

5. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. To come up on **25.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :17.06.2025

CC: Principal, ITI Pathankot (for strict compliance)

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(M-9814691777)

RTI application No. 88753

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Govt. ITI, Pathankot

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Govt. ITI, Pathankot

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 198 OF 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2025 vide which the respondent-PIO was directed to provide complete information to the appellant and the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is not present today. He has sent an e-mail intimating that due to his ill health he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. Further, the appellant has filed his submissions through e-mail, which is taken on record.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Respondent-PIO through which he has sought an exemption from today's hearing. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. *It is also made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in their absence shall be passed.*

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APPEAL CASE NO. 198 OF 2024

5. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. To come up on **25.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :17.06.2025

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H.NO 298, Sector 15, Sai Kirpa,
Village Sarna,
Tehsil & Distt- Pathankot-145025
(M-9814691777)

RTI application No. 90720

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Govt. ITI, Bamial, Distt- Pathankot

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Govt. ITI, Bamial,
Distt- Pathankot

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 201 OF 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2025 vide which the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is not present today. He has sent an e-mail intimating that due to his ill health he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. Further, the appellant has filed his submissions through e-mail, which is taken on record.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Respondent-PIO through which he has sought an exemption from today's hearing. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. *It is also made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in their absence shall be passed.*

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APPEAL CASE NO. 201 OF 2024

5. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. To come up on **25.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated :17.06.2025

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Sh.Sanjeev Thakur, (M-98142-89764)
S/o Sh. Baldev Singh Salaria,
R/o Mohalla Rajput Nagar
Village Gurha Khurd, PO Madhopur
Cantt. Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Block Narot Jaimal Singh
District Pathankot

First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o District Development and Panchayat Officer
Pathankot

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 103 OF 2023

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2025 vide which an opportunity was given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case.

2. Both the parties are not present today. However, the appellant has sent his submission through letter received in the Commission vide diary no. 7901 dated 28.05.2025, which is taken on record.

3. The perusal of the case file shows that neither the appellant nor the respondent is present today. The respondent has not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence nor filed any reply. This shows that the Respondent-PIO has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. However, a last opportunity is given to the respondent – PIO to file point wise reply pertaining to the RTI of the appellant, on the next date of hearing, failing which appropriate orders shall be passed.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 103 OF 2023

4. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :17.06.2025

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Shri Lakhwinder Singh, (81988 81734)
S/o Shri Surjeet Singh, VPO Teh Kalandar,
Tehsil & District Fazilka.

Appellant

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Fazilka.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1513 OF 2023

Present: - None for the parties

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2025.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have not even informed the Commission about their absence. Hence, a last and final opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case failing which, appropriate orders shall be passed.

3. To come up on **25.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :17.06.2025

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Sh. Balwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Nihal Singh,
VPO Baghana, Tehsil Phagwara ,
Distt Kapurthala-144405
M : 9417911601

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, State Transport, PB,
Sector 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary, Transport Department, PB,
Sector 17, Chandigarh.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 106 OF 2024

Present :- (i) Sh. Balwinder Singh the appellant
(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2025 vide which a last opportunity was given to the respondent to provide complete information to the appellant. . Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant states that he has not received the information till date.

3. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant filed RTI on 27.06.2023, but after lapse of almost two years, no information has been given to him, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. Neither the respondent has bothered to inform the Commission about his absence nor he has sent any reply. This is indeed a serious matter

4. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission



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expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

5. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, the Commission, the Commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005, to **PIO, O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab, Chandigarh** as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. *He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing and also provide complete information to the appellant.*

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S. Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date: 17.06.2025

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Shri Gurdev Singh, (98159 39273)
R/o House No. 644, JLPL, Sector 90-91,
Mohali (S.A.S. Nagar)

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Development Commissioner (D),
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6106 OF 2022

Present :- (i) Sh. Gurdev Singh the appellant
(ii) None For the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.02.2025 vide which a the appellant was directed to point out deficiencies in the information provided pertaining to point no's 13 & 16 to the respondent and the respondent was directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant states that as directed, he had pointed out the deficiencies to the respondent but the complete information, after the removal of the said deficiencies, has not been provided to him till date. Further, the appellant has also sent the copy of the deficiencies in the Commission office, through e-mail, which is taken on record.

3. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant filed RTI on 29.07.2020, but after lapse of more than 04 years, no information has been given to him, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. Neither the respondent has bothered to inform the Commission about his absence nor he has sent any reply. This is indeed a serious matter



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4. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

5. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, the Commission, the Commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005, to **PIO, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, SAS Nagar(Mohali)** as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. *He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing and also provide complete information to the appellant, after the removal of the said deficiencies.*

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty



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on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. To come up on **25.09.2025 at 11:30AM** through CISCO-Webex (online video conferencing facility). The CISCO-Webex Id of this bench is 25180806463 and the password is 12345. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date: 17.06.2025

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Sh. Sawinder Singh, S/o Sh. Bal Singh,
VPO Shutrana, Tehsil Patran,
Distt Patiala.-147105.
M : 9814824772

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Patran Distt Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Patiala.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3172 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Sawinder Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh Jarnail Singh, panchayat Secy (98761-18612)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.02.2025 vide which a last opportunity was given to the respondent to provide complete information to the appellant. . Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant states that neither the information has been provided to him nor the orders of the Commission have been complied with.

3. Sh Jarnail Singh, Panchayat Secretary is appearing on behalf of the respondent. He is not in a position to satisfy the Commission.

4. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant filed RTI on 26.12.2022, but after lapse of more than two years, no information has been given to him, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders



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issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

5. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

6. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, the Commission, the Commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005, to **PIO, Sh Baghel Singh, BDPO, Patran, Distt Patiala**, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. *He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing and also provide complete information to the appellant.*

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty

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on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

7. It is also observed that the respondents are being represented by officials who are not in a position to satisfy the Commission and the appellant. From the next date of hearing, no person other than the PIO will be allowed to appear in the Commission. Appearance of officials other than Respondent-PIO will amount to disrespect to the RTI Act besides invoking the provisions of imposition of penalty and also recommendation of disciplinary action against the PIO under Section 20 of RTI Act, 2005.

8. To come up on **14.10.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S. Batth)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 17.06.2025

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CC: PIO , Sh Baghel Singh, BDPO, Patran, Distt Patiala (for strict compliance)

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Sh. Manjit Singh, (M : 8427498620)
S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh,
R/o Village Manemajra,
Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib, Distt Ropar.

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Engineer, PWD ,
Punjab Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, PWD,
Punjab Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4938 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh Jaswant Singh, Jr Asstt. (9463386352) and
Sh Kulvir Singh, Sr Asstt. (98556-72443)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.02.2025 vide which the respondent was directed to provide his point-wise reply to the appellant. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is absent today.

3. The respondent states that as directed, the point-wise reply pertaining to the RTI of the appellant has been sent to him on 17.04.2025. He also files a copy of the same today.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the appellant is not present today. He has not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence. The respondent states that as directed, the point-wise reply has been sent to the appellant. Hence, an opportunity is given to the appellant to point-out deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing. *However, it is made clear that in case the*

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appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in his absence shall be passed.

5. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S. Batth)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 17.06.2025

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Sh. Manjit Singh,
S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh,
R/o Village Manemajra,
Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib, Distt Ropar.
M : 8427498620

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Engineer, PWD ,
Punjab Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, PWD,
Punjab Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4935 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh Kanwalpreet Singh, JE (93161-02552)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.02.2025 vide which the respondent was directed to provide point-wise specific reply, to the appellant. Accordingly, the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is not present today.
3. The respondent states that they have already sent their point-wise reply to the appellant. He also files copy of the same today.
4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the case file, it is ascertained that the appellant is not present today. He was not present on the previous date of hearing also. He has not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence. The respondent has filed the copy of point-wise reply today. The copy of the point-wise reply, as filed by the respondent is again sent to the appellant with these orders and he is given an opportunity

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to file his rejoinder regarding the same, before the next date of hearing. *However, it is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in his absence shall be passed.*

5. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr.Bhupinder S. Batth)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 17.06.2025

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Ms Rajani Rani, (M-99886-47100)
D/o Sh Leela Rani,
R/o Ward No. 4, Gharami Patii,
Tehsil- Samana, Distt Patiala
Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SMO, Civil Hospital,
Samana, Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Pb
Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector-34, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 1595 of 2025

Present :- (i) Ms Rajani Rani, appellant along with Ms Santosh Rani
(ii) For the respondent: Dr Harpreet Singh, MO (99144-62222) and
Ms Shalini Kaushik, CO (84379-30984)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated NIL vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.03.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.06.2025 in the Commission.
3. The appellant states that no information has been provided to her till date.
4. The respondent states that they have already sent the information to the appellant. The respondent has also brought the copy of the information today which is handed over to the appellant. The appellant has gone through the same and states that the information is not complete and she is not satisfied with it.
5. After hearing both the parties and perusing the case file, it is ascertained that the appellant is not satisfied with the information provided. Hence, an opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies in the information, to the respondent before the next

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date of hearing with a copy to the Commission. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

7. To come up on **13.08.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date: 17.06.2025

(Dr.Bhupinder S. Batth)
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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5628 OF 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Subhash Chander, Suptd (7986732030) and Sh. Arun Bajaj, Sr. Assistant (9915589197)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order date 18.02.2025 vide which the appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent on 06.03.2025 and inspect the relevant record and the case was adjourned to be heard on 21.04.2025. However, on 21.04.2025 the above said case could not be heard and hence was postponed to be heard on 17.06.2025, i.e, today.

2. The appellant is not present today. He has sent an e-mail intimating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today as his health is not good. Further, the appellant has also filed his submissions through e-mail(s) which are taken on record.

3. The respondent states that, as directed in the previous hearing, the appellant had inspected the record in their office and identified the information required and the same has been provided to him. He adds that, he has also brought the original copy of the information today for the perusal of the Bench. The respondent has also filed his reply regarding the same through e-mail.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the requisite information has been provided to the appellant. However, the



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appellant has sought an adjournment. Hence, in the interest of justice, an opportunity is given to him to appear before the Commission and state his case. *It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate orders in his absence shall be passed.* Further, the Respondent is exempt from personal appearance on the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on **24.09.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :17.06.2025