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## FINAL ORDER

**Shri Rajinder (9815346806)**

S/o Shri Surjit Singh,  
Ward No. 9, Joga Town,  
Mansa - 148109  
RTI Application No. 7869

....Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o** EO, Nagar Panchayat, Joga,  
Distt Mansa.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o** Deputy Commissioner, Mansa.

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 1663 OF 2022

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: Absent

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **11.05.2023** passed by Former SIC, Sh. Anumit Singh Sodhi, State Information Commissioner Punjab who has demitted the office on **20.10.2023**, thereafter, this case was allocated to the undersigned bench. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards the notices of the Commission. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to the PIO through registered post in spite of that, he is absent.

3. However, the appellant is also absent but has sent a letter which was received in the Commission vide diary no. 4783 dated 01.04.2025, mentioning therein that he has received the requested information from the respondent and is satisfied with it.

4. Keeping in view of the above and the statement submitted by the appellant, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is required. Hence, this case is **disposed of and closed.**

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-**  
**(Virinderjit Singh Billing)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

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## FINAL ORDER

**Shri Amandeep Singh (8360818616)**

S/o Shri Baldev Singh,  
House No. 89, Village Anoopgarh,  
Urf Machhana, Tehsil & Distt Bathinda - 151401  
RTI Application No. 45627

....Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o SSP, Bathinda.**

**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o I.G.P, Bathinda Range,**  
**Bathinda.**

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 1832 OF 2023

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: ASI Resham Singh (7009880345)

### **ORDER:**

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Shri Anumit Singh Sodhi, State Information Commissioner. After his retirement, the said appeal case was allocated to the undersigned Bench. The RTI application is dated **02.01.2023** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.02.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.03.2023** 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. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent states that information has already been supplied to the appellant. The respondent further, states that a reply was already submitted in the Commission via email dated 24.07.2023, along with copy of a statement signed by the appellant, wherein he purportedly states that he has received the requested information and no longer wishes to pursue this case.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post even then he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The prima facie appears that the appellant does not intend to pursue the case and he has nothing to say in this regard.

4. Keeping in view of the above and the statement submitted by the respondent, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is required. Hence, this case is **disposed of and closed.**

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-**  
**(Virinderjit Singh Billing)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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## FINAL ORDER

**Shri Tejinder Singh (8146644455)**

S/o Shri Jasvir Singh,  
Street No. 5, Ward No. 18,  
Anand Nagar, Khanna,  
Distt Ludhiana - 141401  
RTI Application No. 45010

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o** District Transport Officer,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o** Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 1871 OF 2023

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: Shri Hari Om, SA (9815256996)

### **ORDER:**

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Shri Anumit Singh Sodhi, State Information Commissioner. After his retirement, the said appeal case was allocated to the undersigned Bench. The RTI application is dated **26.12.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.01.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.03.2023** 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. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent states that a reply has already been sent to the appellant and submitted the same during the course of hearing.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post even then he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The prima facie appears that the appellant does not intend to pursue the case and he has nothing to say in this regard.

4. The Commission has examined the RTI application alongside the reply submitted by the respondent PIO and is of the view that this adequately addresses the RTI application. This appeal case is accordingly **disposed of and closed**.

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-**  
**(Virinderjit Singh Billing)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

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## FINAL ORDER

**Shri Raghunath Singh (964803852)**

S/o Sh. Ram Singh,  
Rest House Colony, Village Haryal,  
Tehsil & Distt Pathankot - 145001  
RTI Application No. 44878

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o Director, Technical Education  
and Industrial Training Department,  
Punjab, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o Director, Technical Education  
and Industrial Training Department,  
Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 1881 OF 2023

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: Shri Harpreet Singh, SA

### **ORDER:**

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Shri Anumit Singh Sodhi, State Information Commissioner. After his retirement, the said appeal case was allocated to the undersigned Bench. The RTI application is dated **26.12.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.01.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.03.2023** 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. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent states that information has already been supplied to the appellant, but till date no deficiencies have been pointed out by the appellant. Further, he submitted his reply during the course of hearing, which is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing / order was sent to him through registered post even then he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The prima facie appears that the appellant does not intend to pursue the case and he has nothing to say in this regard.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is required. Hence, this case is **disposed of and closed.**

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-**  
**(Virinderjit Singh Billing)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

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## FINAL ORDER

**Ms. Maitreyi (8741997033)**

D/o Sh. Netram, Rampura Nyoula,  
Village 1 RM, Tehsil Suratgarh,  
Distt Ganganagar - 335804  
RTI Application No. 44905

....Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Punjab State Technical Education  
and Industrial Training Board, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, Technical Education  
and Industrial Training Department,  
Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 1882 OF 2023

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: Smt. Jasdeep Kaur, PIO-cum-Deputy Director (7700008105)  
Smt. Gurwinder Kaur, JA (8264680432)

### **ORDER:**

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Shri Anumit Singh Sodhi, State Information Commissioner. After his retirement, the said appeal case was allocated to the undersigned Bench. The RTI application is dated **26.12.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in her RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.01.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.03.2023** 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. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent states that information has already been supplied to the appellant.
3. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 24.12.2024 has been received from her, mentioning therein that she has received the requested information and is satisfied with it.
4. Keeping in view of the above and the statement submitted by the appellant, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is required. Hence, this case is **disposed of and closed.**

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-**  
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**State Information Commissioner**  
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## FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

**Smt. Rajni Bala (Dr.), (7087138816)**

Associate Prof. R/o House No. 2, Anoop Nagar,  
Backside Radhaswami Satsang Ghar, Basti Danishmanda,  
Jalandhar – 144002

....Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o DPI (C),**  
Phase – 8, Mohali.

**Regd. Post**

**Remanded Back to:**

**First Appellate Authority**

**O/o Deputy Director, Higher Education, PSEB Complex,**  
Block A, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Phase 8, Sector 62,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

**Encl. RTI application**

....Respondents

## COMPLAINT CASE NO. 393 OF 2024

**PRESENT:** Complainant: Smt. Rajni Bala (Dr.), (7087138816)  
Respondent: Shri Som Nath, Clerk (8968972102)  
Shri Kanwar, Lecturer (9463030119)

### **ORDER:**

The application dated **13.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **11.10.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **02.04.2025**.

2. The respondent states that a letter was written to the concerned PIO to supply the sought information to the complainant directly and the RTI application was also transferred to the concerned PIO under Section 6(3).

3. The complainant states that she has not received information from the respondent till date.

4. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos. Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) has held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to

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## COMPLAINT CASE NO. 393 OF 2024

the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

5. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Deputy Director, Higher Education, Mohali**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

6. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority.

**Date: 02.04.2025**

**Sd/-  
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**