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Shri Kapil Sharma, (94687-30041)

S/o Shri Bal Krishan Sharma,
Ward No. 17, Punjabi Mohalla, Near Pulia Hanumangarh Town,
Rajasthan - 335513
RTI Application No. 84408

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7484 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.08.2023** 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 **22.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **09.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent is absent, but a reply sent to the appellant vide letter dated 20.01.2026, via email dated 20.01.2026, which is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one last opportunity** is given to the appellant 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 order in his absence shall be passed.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Harwinder Singh, (95921-18323)

S/o Shri Sukhdev Singh,
Village Bachhoana, Tehsil Budhlada,
Distt Mansa - 151502

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Mansa.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o ADGP, Bathinda Range,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7488 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Bhupinder Singh, SA (977818-40892)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **05.09.2023** 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 **09.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **09.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but submitted a letter which received in the Commission vide diary no. 21020 dated 11.12.2025, mentioning therein that he has received a reply from the respondent wherein the sought information was denied under section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005 and requests that penalty be imposed on the respondent PIO, said letter is taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Bhupinder Singh, SA, states that he has brought the complete information today to be provided to the appellant. Since, the appellant is absent the same is submitted to the Commission.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, the information submitted by the respondent is available in the case file, the appellant is directed to collect the same from Commission office on any working day.

5. Further, an opportunity is also given to the appellant 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 order in his absence shall be passed. However, the respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Surjit Singh, (98559-00321)

S/o Shri Gokul Singh,
VPO Jarg, Tehsil Payal,
Distt Ludhiana - 141415

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Khanna,
Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP, Ludhiana Range,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7489 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **26.07.2023** 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 **12.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **09.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent is absent, but an email dated 20.01.2026 has been received from the respondent mentioning therein that the point wise reply has already been sent to the appellant.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one last opportunity** is given to the appellant 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 order in his absence shall be passed.

5. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Gurinder Pal Singh, (83600-55001)

S/o Shri Jaswant Singh,
2988, Old Gate, Village Jandiala,
Tehsil & Distt Amritsar - 143115
RTI Application No. 86316

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7637 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **29.08.2023** 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 **22.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 15.01.2026 has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested an adjournment. He also mentioned that the sought information is still pending.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Ankit Tayal, (96460-03281)

S/o Shri Krishan Kumar,
725, Street No. 12, New Geeta Colony,
Tehsil & Distt Moga - 142001
RTI Application No. 83418

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7638 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **17.08.2023** 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 **29.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Sarbjit Singh, (98146-91777)
S/o Shri Jagir Singh,
298, Sector - 15, Sai Kirpa, Village Sarna,
Tehsil & Distt Pathankot - 145025
RTI Application No. 83977

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7663 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.08.2023** 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 **29.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 07.01.2026 has been received from him mentioning therein that he has received incomplete and misleading information from the respondent. He also requested to hear the case through online mode.

3. The respondent PIO is absent, but an email dated 19.01.2026 has been received from the respondent mentioning therein that the sought information has already been provided to the appellant and requested to heard the case through online mode.

4. After going the case file, the appellant is directed to point out specific deficiencies in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission before the next date of hearing. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondent is directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.

5. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)** It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Ms. Kadambini,
4125, Abohar Road,
Sri Muktsar Sahib - 152026

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation Department,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SE, Water Supply and Sanitation,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7684 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Om Parkash, Clerk (78370-23836)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **02.06.2023** 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 **21.08.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Om Parkash, Clerk, states that the point wise reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 24.08.2023. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to her through registered post but even though she is absent, which seems her absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has she opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, however, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one last opportunity** is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state her case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in her absence shall be passed. However, the respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case.

5. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Arun Kumar, (95010-76506)

S/o Shri Jiwan Kumar,
Ward No. 11, Tehsil & Distt Mansa - 151505
RTI Application No. 81674

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7718 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **08.08.2023** 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 **03.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Suresh Kumar Sharma, (98558-90233)

R/o New Sharma Furniture House,
Pratap Bazaar, Chheharta, Distt Amritsar - 143105

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7737 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Vikrant Salhotra, Accountant (96460-74848)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **14.08.2023** 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 **22.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Vikrant Salhotra, Accountant, states that the information pertains to accounts branch has already been provided to the appellant.

3. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice **one last opportunity** is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

4. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Ravjeet Singh, (62390-78809)

S/o Shri Jaswinder Singh,
Flat No. 209, Top Floor, Block No. 8, Shivjot Enclave,
Kharar, Distt S.A.S Nagar - 140301
RTI Application No. 92951

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7797 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **05.10.2023** 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 **07.11.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

3. The appellant is absent. The perusal of the case file shows that the notice of hearing sent to the appellant was received back in the Commission office by the postal authorities as “no such person on this address”.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Ranjeet Singh, (70872-81334)

S/o Shri Kulwant Singh,
78, S.A.S Nagar - 140601
RTI Application No. 86205

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7798 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **29.08.2023** 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 **27.09.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

3. The appellant is absent. The perusal of the case file shows that the notice of hearing sent to the appellant was received back in the Commission office by the postal authorities as “undelivered”.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 21.05.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Bimal Gill,
S/o Shri Bachan Singh,
R/o # 2591, Sector - 123, New Sunny Enclave,
S.A.S Nagar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Department of Technical Education and Industrial Training,
Punjab Sectt. – 2, Sector – 9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Department of Technical Education and Industrial Training,
Punjab Sectt. – 2, Sector – 9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7808 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Bachan Singh, Advocate on behalf of appellant (84277-55237)
Respondent: Ms. Daljeet Kaur, Superintendent (98552-35591),
Ms. Nidhi Sharma, SA (90403-92533),
Shri Balwinder Singh, Superintendent (99142-19972) and
Shri Manga Singh, PIO-cum-Assistant Director (90233-12473)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **25.07.2023** 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 **04.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. Shri Bachan Singh, Advocate, is appearing on behalf of the appellant. He states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant wherein the sought information was denied under section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. Copy of the same is taken on record. Further, he states that the sought information was not provided to the appellant due to court case pending in the court.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the respondent has failed to provide any reply / information to the appellant within the stipulated 30 days period, infact said reply was provided only after the Commission issued a Notice of Hearing vide Letter No. 20271-20273 Dated 19.11.2025, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 7808 OF 2023

5. Keeping in view of the above, the respondent PIO, is further directed to submit a written explanation for the long delay in addressing this RTI application. This must be done in 10 working days of this hearing.

6. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

7. To come up on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Pardeep Kumar Mehta, (94630-71312)

R/o Krishna Valley, Street No. 4,
Village Kakkon, Tehsil & Distt Hoshiarpur.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Rupnagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Rupnagar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7809 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Shamsher Singh, Reader (98770-27679)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **22.08.2023** 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 **03.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission of his inability to attend the hearing via email dated 15.01.2026.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Shamsher Singh, Reader, states that a reply has already been provided to the appellant and no deficiency has been pointed by him till date. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. After having detailed deliberations with the respondent and examining the case file, the appellant is directed to point out specific deficiency in the reply / information in writing to the respondent PIO, with a copy to this Commission before the next date of hearing. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.

5. Further, an opportunity is given to the appellant 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 order in his absence shall be passed. The respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this present appeal case.

6. **To come up on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Parminder Singh, (88941-64611)

S/o Shri Gurlal,

R/o F 377, S.A.S Nagar - 160055

RTI Application No. 87980

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7816 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **06.09.2023** 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 **10.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Parminder Singh, (88941-64611)

S/o Shri Gurlal,

R/o F 377, S.A.S Nagar - 160055

RTI Application No. 87976

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7817 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **06.09.2023** 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 **10.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Parminder Singh, (88941-64611)

S/o Shri Gurlal,

R/o F 377, S.A.S Nagar - 160055

RTI Application No. 87974

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7818 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Gurbir Singh, SA (98767-91056)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **06.09.2023** 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 **10.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Gurbir Singh, SA, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

3. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The appellant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **To come up on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Pritam Singh Bedi, (98555-43185)

S/o Shri Balbir Singh,
R/o Village Fatehgarh Gahri,
Tehsil Guru Harsahai, Distt Ferozepur.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7824 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **25.08.2023** 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 **09.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission of his inability to attend the hearing via email dated 19.01.2026.

3. The respondent PIO is absent, but an email dated 20.01.2026 has been received from the respondent mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested to heard the case through online mode due to staff shortage in the office.

4. After going the case file, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The respondent PIO is directed to provide a point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which punitive and stringent provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 could be invoked against him.

5. The request of the respondent to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing through Cisco Webex for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

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Shri Paras Sharma, (97808-85609)

S/o Late Shri Sheshbraham Sharma,
R/o Shant Vihar, Gali No. 7,
Khanpur, Pathankot.

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7873 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Jasjit Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant (80549-55660)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **07.06.2023** 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 **14.07.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.11.2023** 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. **21.01.2026**.

2. Shri Jasjit Singh, Advocate, is appearing on behalf of the appellant and states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. 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.

4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, however, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, one opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to provide point wise reply / information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. The respondent PIO is further directed to appear in person before the Commission on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. To come up on 19.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
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Shri Dilbagh Singh, (76961-15093)

Panch, S/o Shri Surjit Singh,
R/o Village DholKhurd, P.O Lahil, Tehsil Payal,
District Ludhiana – 141117

...Appellant

Versus

Ms. Sukhjit Kaur (78142-12832)

Public Information Officer-cum-

Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Malaudh, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1849 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **15.09.2025**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent is absent consecutively without intimation for the third successive hearing of this appeal case, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post in spite of that, he is absent.

3. The respondent PIO office of, BDPO, Malaudh, District Ludhiana, is absent without intimation. **Ms. Sukhjit Kaur, PIO-cum-BDPO, Malaudh, District Ludhiana**, is absent despite the Show Cause Notice issued in this case. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Malaudh, District Ludhiana, was however, directed to attend today's hearing in person in Chandigarh, but she is absent without intimation which compelled the Commission to ensure her presence through service of **Bailable Warrant** as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. Also, a copy of this order is being sent to the DDPO, Ludhiana, for information at this stage.

5. **To come up on 12.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 21.01.2026

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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Cc: DDPO, Ludhiana.

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BEFORE SHRI VIRINDERJIT SINGH BILLING **State Information Commissioner** **Punjab, Chandigarh**

BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Shri Dilbagh Singh V/s Public Information Officer O/o BDPO, Malaudh, District Ludhiana. 2.FAA o/o DDPO, Ludhiana.

APPEAL CASE NO. 1849 OF 2023

UNDER SECTION 18(3) OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 12.03.2026

To

The Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural), Ludhiana.

Whereas the Public Information Officer-Cum-BDPO, Malaud, District Ludhiana, **Ms. Sukhjot Kaur**, has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this Bailable Warrant on **Public Information Officer-Cum-BDPO, Malaud, District Ludhiana, Ms. Sukhjot Kaur**, to appear before Shri Virinderjit Singh Billing, State Information Commissioner Punjab at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh. On **12.03.2026 at 11.30 AM** and submit her written submissions in regard to the Order dated 15.09.2025 (copy enclosed) along with the information to be provided to the appellant.

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 21.01.2026