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Ms. Kamla Devi Rattan, (85095-80002)

W/o Shri Ayodhya Prasad,
78/8, Park Road, NaviMandi,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Sangrur.**

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7559 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **22.08.2023** 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 **27.09.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 21.01.2026, has been received from her mentioning therein that she is unable to attend the hearing and requested an adjournment.

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. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.

4. After going through 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.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Milan, (98144-44018)

S/o Shri Arneet,
Milan Niwas, New Dana, Mandi Salem Tabri,
Tehsil & Distt Ludhiana - 141008
RTI Application No. 95359

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DCP, Ludhiana City,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7613 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.10.2023** 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 **17.11.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent, but files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing via email 21.01.2026, mentioning therein that the sought information 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 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Praveen Kumar Bhardwaj, (98788-67103)

521, 1st Floor,
Sector - 20, A, Chandigarh.
RTI Application No. 47459

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Registrar,
Punjab Pharmacy Council,
Sector – 69, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Department of Medical Education & Research, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7629 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Tejinder Singh, JA (86991-76430) and
Shri Randeep Singh, Advocate (98720-00414)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **16.01.2023** 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 **19.06.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Tejinder Singh, JA and Shri Randeep Singh, Advocate, have sought some additional time be given to provide the desired information 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. Accordingly, one more opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to file a point wise written reply along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 15 days from the receipt of this order. The appellant is also advised to go through the information whenever he receives and revert back to the respondent PIO, in case of any deficiency found in the information, within fifteen days, from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. On receipt of the rebuttal, the respondent is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing.

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.

Sd/-

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Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Kulwinder Singh, (93575-87050)

S/o Shri Gurnam Singh,
R/o # 38, Village Shampura,
Tehsil & Distt Rupnagar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, Nagar Council,
Rupnagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Rupnagar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7683 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Kulwinder Singh, (93575-87050)
Respondent: Shri Naresh Kumar, JE (99886-00367)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **14.07.2023** 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 **19.09.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

1. The appellant, Shri Kulwinder Singh, states that no reply / information has been given to him so far. Further, he demanded that penalty be imposed on the respondent PIO for delaying the information. The appellant also submits his written submission during the course of the course of hearing.
2. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant. Further, he states that if any information is pending, he is ready to provide the appellant.
3. The Commission notes that the respondent is cooperative, but the appellant is not cooperating with the department. The appellant states that the identity card of the respondent must be checked and the respondent has any authority to attend the hearing. On request of the appellant, official identity card of the respondent is shown to the appellant during the course of hearing. During the hearing, the appellant misbehaved and spoke in a loud voice insisted that the penalty be imposed on the respondent PIO.
4. I hereby recuse myself from further hearing of this appeal. The case file be sent to the Registry Branch to put up before Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for reallocation as he deems fit.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

**State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Date: 22.01.2026

Cc: Deputy Registrar, PSIC, along with case file.

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Shri Kishori Lal, (94640-35229)

S/o Shri Sahi Ram,
Village Haripura, Tehsil Abohar,
Distt Fazilka.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Abohar,
Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Abohar,
Distt Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7685 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

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 **11.09.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The respondent is absent, but files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter no. 19/RC dated 19.01.2026 mentioning therein that the sought information 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. After going through the case file, it has been observed that this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice **one last opportunity** is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

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

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Karan Preet Singh, (98777-26116)

S/o Shri Prem Singh,
ES 316, Abadpura, Jalandhar - I - 144003
RTI Application No. 83345

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP,
Jalandhar (Rural).**

**First Appellate Authority,
O/o DIGP, Jalandhar Range,
Jalandhar.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7707 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Karan Preet Singh, (98777-26116)

Respondent: Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Computer Operator (95019-45843)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **16.08.2023** 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 **15.09.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Computer Operator, states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 20.01.2026 and also brought a copy of the same reply at today's hearing. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant during the course of hearing.
4. After receipt of the same, the appellant requested for an adjournment to file deficiencies. Accordingly, the case is adjourned with the directions to the appellant to send the deficiencies, if any, point wise to the respondent PIO. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.
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: 22.01.2026

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(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Shri PiyushSood, (85660-24847)

S/o Shri Ashish Sood,
693, Urban Estate, Phase - 1,
Dugri, Ludhiana - 141001
RTI Application No. 93688

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DCP,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7714 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **09.10.2023** 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 **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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent, but submits his reply via email dated 21.01.2026, mentioning therein that the 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 both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. It is made clear that in case the both parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

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

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Suresh Kumar, (98554-23192)

S/o Shri Desh Raj,
R/o C/o MD Traders, Shop No. 2572,
1st Floor, Mandi No. 1, Abohar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar,
Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM,
Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7795 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **31.07.2023** 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 **06.10.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.11.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, he is absent.

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

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

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Chuni Lal, (98761-76106)

S/o Shri BuadittaMul,
P.O NarotJaimal Singh,
Tehsil & Distt Pathankot – 145026

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Pathankot.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7834 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Arvin Kashyap, Advocate on behalf of the appellant (94172-26608)
Respondent: Shri Deepak Arora, Patwari (82082-89877)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **06.06.2023** 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 **25.10.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. Shri Arvin Kashyap, Advocate, is appearing on behalf of the appellant and states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Deepak Arora, Patwari, states that the information sought in this RTI application pertaining to the year 1982, is not available in his office.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and examining the case file, the respondent is directed once again fresh search of the record sought in this RTI application and provide to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission. 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.

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

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Dharvinder Singh, (97795-44043)

S/o Shri Bhajan Singh,
Tilak Nagar, 267, Near MCJ Water Supply Pump,
Tehsil & Distt Jalandhar - I - 144001
RTI Application No. 77798

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,
O/o DCP,
Jalandhar City.**

**First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Jalandhar.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7856 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: ASI Manjeet Singh (98766-22088)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **20.07.2023** 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 **31.08.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Manjeet Singh, files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter dated 19.01.2026 mentioning therein that the sought information 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 03.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** However, the respondent PIO is exempt for the next hearing of this appeal case. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 22.01.2026

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Shri Dheeraj Verma, (73550-77777)

S/o Shri Raj Kumar Verma,
84/5, Prem Nagar Batala,
Distt Gurdaspur - 143505
RTI Application No. 83493

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Batala,
Distt Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DIGP, Border Range,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7859 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Dheeraj Verma via telephone (73550-77777)
Respondent: Absent

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 **19.09.2023** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The appellant, Shri Dheeraj Verma, is present through telephone 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, but an email dated 21.01.2026 has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and requested an adjournment.

4. After hearing the appellant 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. **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 G.L Bhardwaj, (98140-00752)

Chamber No. 68, New Civil Courts Complex,
Nakodar, Distt Jalandhar - 144040

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal,
Govt. Girls Sr. Secondary School,
Abadpura, Distt Jalandhar.
Encl: RTI application.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DEO (SE),
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3066 OF 2025

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri G.L Bhardwaj, (98140-00752)

Respondent: Shri Jagmohan Singh, JA (94171-52428) and
Shri Gurpreet Singh, Lecturer (95012-66077)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **18.12.2024** 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 **13.02.2025** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.05.2025** 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. **22.01.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far. Further, he requested that disciplinary action against the PIO and penalty be imposed upon the respondent PIO, for not providing information till date. Further, he submits a detailed written submission during the course of hearing, which is taken on record.

3. The respondent states that the RTI application of this present appeal case has not been received in his office and submits his reply during the course of hearing.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the RTI application of this present appeal case is being sent to the respondent along with this order through registered post. The respondent is further directed to supply the point wise reply 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.

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