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Sh. Parveen Kumar, Street No 1, Patwari Colony, Talwandi Saboo, Distt. - Bathinda-151302(Punjab) (M: 9464817898)

...Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
 Talwandi Saboo,
 Distt.- Bathinda(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,O/o The District Education Officer(Sec.),Bathinda(Punjab)
- iii) The Principal,Shaheed Baba Jorawar SinghPublic Senior Secondary School,Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
Talwandi Saboo,
Distt. - Bathinda(Punjab)

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3603 of 2022

Present: Sh. Parveen Kumar, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.12.2024, which was adjourned for 10.04.2025 but due to administrative reasons, the case could not be heard and further fixed for hearing today i. e. 23.04.2025.

2. The appellant made the submissions that the directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the complete information. The appellant is seeking the information relating to Shaheed Baba Jorawar Singh Public Senior Secondary School, Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda and the Principal of the said school made the written submissions that it is a self-financed school and not getting any grant from the Government, hence, the said institute is not covered under the provisions of the RTI Act.

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3. It is pertinent to mention the Judgement passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in case titled as Thalappalam Service Coop. Bank Ltd. vs State of Kerala, (2013), in which it was held that:-

" BURDEN TO SHOW:

40. The burden to show that a body is owned, controlled or substantially financed or that a non-government organization is substantially financed directly or indirectly by the funds provided by the appropriate Government is on the applicant who seeks information or the appropriate Government and can be examined by the State Information Commission or the Central Information Commission as the case may be, when the question comes up for consideration. A body or NGO is also free to establish that it is not owned, controlled or substantially financed directly or indirectly by the appropriate Government."

- 4. Since, the onus to prove that respondent school is a public authority lies upon the appellant, therefore, he is directed to make the submissions, if any, in this regard to take the matter to its logical end.
- 5. It is also a fact that a show cause notice was issued to Ms. Surinder Pal KaurSidhu, District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda, who has retired as such the show-cause notice issued to her is hereby withdrawn.
- 6. The respondent PIOO/o District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda is further directed to send the written submissions that which type of information related to the said school i. e. Shaheed Baba Jorawar Singh Public Senior Secondary School, Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda is available in the office District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda as the school is getting affiliation etc. through the District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda.
- 7. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 6th August, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at</u>

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Date :23rdApril, 2025

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Sh. Balvir Singh S/o Sh. Sarwan Singh, Village and Post Office - Thana, Tehsil - Sri Anandpur Sahib, District Roopnagar(Punjab) (M.9417604287)

....Appellant.

V/s

Sh. Rajwinder Singh Block Development and Panchayat Officer, -cum-Public Information Officer, Block Nurpur Bedi, District Roopnagar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Roopnagar (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 592 of 2023

Converted Appeal Case

Present: Sh. Balvir Singh, the appellant in person.

- i) Sh. Rajwinder Singh (M.-8054351145, B.D.P.O., in person;
- ii) Sh. Arshneet Singh (M.-8146008800), S. E. P. O., for the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2025.

- 2. The respondent PIO handed over the complete information to the appellant in this case. However, the appellant after receipt of the information made the submissions that he intends to go through the information which comprising around 1600 pages. Accordingly, the request of the appellant is accepted and he is directed to file the point wise deficiencies, if any, to take the matter to logical end.
- 3. Also, the respondent PIO-cum-BDPO is present and requested that a show cause notice issued to him may be withdrawn and made the written submission in this regard which are taken on record and the decision on the same will be taken on the next date of hearing.
- 4. So far as the information concerning the Accounts Branch, the respondent PIO-cum-BDPO made the submissions that Sh. Satinder Pal Singh, Senior Assistant Accountant, has not handed over the record, who has already transferred in August, 2024. He has also made the submissions that letters were issued to him but he has not handed over the record so far as he was posted as BDPO, Sehna, Distt. –Bathinda.

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- 5. Keeping in view the submission made by the respondent a copy of this order is being sent to the Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab to look into the matter as it appears that Sh. Satinder Pal Singh has misplaced the record and/or not handed over the in a time bound manner, as per the Government rules/instructions. Also, the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, NurpurBedi is directed to inform the proceeding of this case to Sh. Satinder Pal Singh(Ex Senior Assistant Accountant) now BDPO, Sehna, Bathinda and in case the record concerning the RTI application is not handed over by him then appropriate action as per the fact established by law like lodging an DDR/FIR etc. as per the Punjab Government Rules/Instruction be placed on record on the next date.
- 6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 6th August, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at</u>
 Chandigarh.

Date :23rd April, 2025

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC;

Sh. Uma Shanker Gupta, IAS Director-cum-Special Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab, Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

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Sh. Bittu S/o Sh. Om Kumar, Village –Bholapur Jhabewal, P.O. Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road, District – Ludhiana - 141123(Punjab)

.....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Rupinder Pal Singh, PCS, Secretary-cum-Public Information Officer Regional Transport Authority Bathinda(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority Bathinda(Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5971 of 2023

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2024, which was heard by Sh. Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner, who has demitted the office on 09.07.2024. Thereafter the case was allocated to this Bench, which is fixed for today i. e. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant is absent but has sent the written submissions that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the complete information. However, none is present on behalf of the respondent PIO and also no written submissions have been received in this case.
- 3. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent in a casual manner, Sh. Rupinder Pal Singh, PCS, Public Information Officer-cum-Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda, is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25,000/-, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI applicant and to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

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- 3. A copy of this order is **being sent** to Sh. Varun Roojam, IAS, Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure the presence of the PIO on the next date of hearing.
- 4. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 15th October, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at</u>

 Chandigarh.

Date :23rd April, 2025

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC:

Sh. Varun Roojam, IAS, Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport, Pb. Civil Secretariat-2, Chandigarh

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Sh. Lovely Sharma S/o Sh. Pritam Chand Sharma, 82 – A, District Court, Amritsar – II - 143001(Punjab) (M.: 9888045655)

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Commisioner, (MA – Branch), Amritsar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Deputy Commisioner,
Amritsar (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6213 of 2023

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 09.07.2023 vide which the appellant sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority on 02.08.2023 and Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 25.09.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i. e. 23.04.2025.

Vs

- 2. Due to absence of the parties, the case is adjourned. It is also clarified that in case absence of the parties on the next date fixed, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. It is further clarified that no further adjournment will be given in this case.
- 3. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 15th October, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh</u>.

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Ms. Kamaldeep Kaur W/o Dr. Hassan Sardar, Mofar Residence, Village Mansa Khurd, Khaila Side, Post Office, Tehsil & Distt Mansa – 151505(Punjab) (M-9417768533)

...Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,O/o The Registrar,Punjabi University,Patiala(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,O/o Mai Bhago Girls College,Ralla, Mansa (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Registrar, Punjabi University, Patiala(Punjab)

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6566 of 2023

Present:

Sh. Hasan Sardar(M.-9417168533) on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Vikrant Sharma, Advocate(M.-9814105515) for Punjabi University, Patiala:
- ii) Sh. Surmukh Singh (M.9780824740) On behalf of Sh. Divyadeep Walia(M.-9888811607), Advocate, on behalf of Mai Bhago Girls College, Ralla.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.10.2024, which was adjourned for 12.12.2024 but due to administrative reasons, the case could not heard and further fixed for 10.04.2025, which again could not heard and fixed for hearing today i. e. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The respondent requested for an adjournment in this case with which the appellant agreed to.
- 3. Accordingly, the case is <u>adjourned to 10th July, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh</u>.

Date :23rd April, 2025

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Sh.Hassan Sardar S/o Sh. Hasan Raj Mofaria, Mofar Residence, Village – Mansa Khurd, Khaila side, P.O., Teh. & Distt. - Mansa (Punjab) (M.-9417168533)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o The Registrar, Punjabi University, Patiala(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Registrar, Punjabi University, Patiala(Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4284 of 2024

Present: Sh. Hassan Sardar, the appellant in person.

Sh. Vikrant Sharma, Advocate(M.-9814105515) for Punjabi University, Patiala.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.01.2025.

- 2. The respondent requested for an adjournment in this case with which the appellant agreed to.
- 3. Accordingly, the case is <u>adjourned to 10th July, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh</u>.

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Sh. Harjit Singh S/o Sh. Gurbaksh Singh, H. No. 4072, Street – 3, Gobind Colony, Jamalpur, Ludhiana - 141015(Punjab) (M. 9316707146)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer. O/o The Station House Officer. Police Station - Jamalpur District - Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Commissioner of Police Ludhiana(Punjab)

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1864 of 2023

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Tarsem Singh(M.-9463202689), A. S. I. O/o C. P, Ludhiana.

Vs

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2025.

- 2. The appellant is absent but sent the written submissions to adjourn the case and also requested that his case be heard through Video Conference. However, Sh. Tarsem Singh, A. S. I., appeared on behalf of the respondent and requested for an adjournment in this case.
- 3. Accordingly, the request of the respondent is accepted and the case is adjourned to 10th July, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

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Sh. Jiwan Garg

S/o Sh. Om Parkash Garg H.No. B-1/473-A,Ward No. 23 Opposite Old Bombay Palace, Jakhal Road, Sunam District Sangrur-148023

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division), Sunam

First Appellate Authority

O/o Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division), Sunam

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 5856 of 2023 (Heard through CISCO WEBEX)

Present: Sh. Jiwan Garg, the appellant.

Sh.Gurbhinder Singh Johal, First Appellate Authority-cum-Addl. Civil Judge (Sr. Division) and Ms. Seema Rani, PIO-cum-Reader on behalf of the

respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2024 and fixed for hearing on 03.06.2024 but was not heard on the said date. Earlier, the case was heard by Sh. Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner, Punjab who has demitted the office on 09.07.2024. Thereafter the case was allocated to this Bench, which is fixed for hearing today i. e. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information pertaining to Point No. 8 of the RTI application and the remaining information, he has already received the same and is satisfied. He further reiterated the submissions made by him in the second appeal. However, the respondent also reiterated the submissions already sent to the appellant in this case.
- 3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, they are directed to make their final submissions, if any, in this case, to take the matter to logical end.
- 4. To come up on **14.08.2025 at 12:30 P.M. through CISCO WEBEX**.

(Cisco Webex Meeting No. 25117216527, Password: 12345)

(Inderpal Singh)
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Punjab

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Sh.Prem Nath Bansal

(Retd. Vety Inspector) #69, Lajpat Nagar, Gazipur Road, Bishanpura Area, Zirakpur-140603 (M:9814030742)

..Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Animal Husbandry,Punjab, Livestock Bhawan, Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Animal Husbandry,Punjab, Livestock Bhawan, Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No.5956 of 2023

Vs

Present : Sh. Prem Nath Bansal, the appellant.

Sh. (Dr.) Sham Singh, Joint Director,

Sh. Gursharan Singh, Superintendent (8699614335)

Ms. RajbeerKaur, Senior Assistant (7508558997) on behalf of the

respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.03.2025.

- 2. The respondent submits a reply in the way of an affidavit along with a copy of the requisite information, which is taken on record. Further, he also handed over the requisite information compromising approximately 125 pages to the appellant during the course of hearing. Accordingly, the appellant is directed to point out deficiencies in writing, if any, in the information so supplied by the respondent pertaining to the RTI application to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
- 3. To come up on **16.07.2025 at 11:30 A.M**. **at Chandigarh**.

(Inderpal Singh)
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Punjab

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Sh.Gurshinder Singh

Superintendent (Retd.) General Branch, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar H.No. 278, Mahni Park, Opposite Khalsa College, Near Gurudwara Sahib, Amritsar (M:9855548001)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Vice Chancellor, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6278 of 2023

Present: Sh. Gurshinder Singh, the appellant.

Sh. Subhash Chander, Superintendent (7986732030) and Sh. Arun Baiai, Senior

Assistant (9915589197) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 13.07.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 16.08.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.01.2024 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. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information. However, the respondent made the submissions that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.
- 3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIO is directed to file the point-wise reply along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 30 days from the date of order. Also, the appellant is directed to file the deficiencies, if any, in an annotated form to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission within 30 days after receipt of the reply from the respondent to enable the respondent to remove the same.
- To come up on 06.08.2025 at 11:30 A.M. at Chandigarh.

(Inderpal Singh) **Chief Information Commissioner Puniab**

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..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Vice Chancellor, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6281 of 2023

Present: Sh. Gurshinder Singh, the appellant.

Sh. Subhash Chander, Superintendent (7986732030) and Sh. Arun Baiai, Senior

Assistant (9915589197) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 10.07.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 16.08.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.01.2024 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. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information. However, the respondent made the submissions that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.
- 3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIO is directed to file the point-wise reply along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 30 days from the date of order. Also, the appellant is directed to file the deficiencies, if any, in an annotated form to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission within 30 days after receipt of the reply from the respondent to enable the respondent to remove the same.
- To come up on 06.08.2025 at 11:30 A.M. at Chandigarh.

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Date:23.04.2025 G

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..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Vice Chancellor,

Guru Nanak Dev University,

Amritsar ..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6193 of 2023

Present: Sh. Gurshinder Singh, the appellant.

Sh. Subhash Chander, Superintendent (7986732030) and Sh. Arun Bajaj, Senior

Assistant (9915589197) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 23.06.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 29.07.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.01.2024 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. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information. However, the respondent made the submissions that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.
- 3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIOis directed to file the point-wise reply along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 30 days from the date of order. Also, the appellant is directed to file the deficiencies, if any, in an annotated form to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission within 30 days after receipt of the reply from the respondent to enable the respondent to remove the same.
- To come up on 06.08.2025 at 11:30 A.M. at Chandigarh.

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Sh. Gurshinder Singh

Superintendent (Retd.) General Branch, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar H.No. 278, Mahni Park, Opposite Khalsa College, Near Gurudwara Sahib, Amritsar (M:9855548001)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Vice Chancellor,

Guru Nanak Dev University,

Amritsar ..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6194 of 2023

Present: Sh. Gurshinder Singh, the appellant.

Sh. Subhash Chander, Superintendent (7986732030) and Sh. Arun Bajaj, Senior

Assistant (9915589197) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 16.06.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 20.07.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.01.2024 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. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information. However, the respondent made the submissions that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.
- 3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIO is directed to file the point-wise reply along with the documentary evidence in an annotated form and a copy of the same be sent to the appellant within 30 days from the date of order. Also, the appellant is directed to file the deficiencies, if any, in an annotated form to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission within 30 days after receipt of the reply from the respondent to enable the respondent to remove the same.
- To come up on 06.08.2025 at 11:30 A.M. at Chandigarh.

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Sh.Deepak Goyal

S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar Bank Street, New Basti, Nabha-147201, District Patiala (M:9878812888)

..Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Sangrur

Encl.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Managing Director Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, SCO-74/75, Sector-17 B, Chandigarh

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No.1352 of 2022

Vs

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh.Mohinder Partap Singh, Clerk (9041029480) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The above mentioned case was earlier heard by the Sh. Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner, Punjab on 31.10.2022 and judgment was reserved to pronounced, which was not pronounced and case file was sent to the Deputy Registrar on 08.07.2024 as he has demitted office on 09.07.2024. Thereafter, the case was allocated to this Bench and fixed for hearing on 10.04.2025, which was postponed due to public holiday declared by the Punjab Government on account of Mahavir Jayanti and fixed for today i.e. 23.04.2025.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions that his submissions dated 31.10.2022 be taken into consideration while deciding the matter. Accordingly, a copy of the submissions dated 31.10.2022 is **being sent** to the respondent to file the submissions, if any, within 30 days from the issue of this order. Also, the appellant is at liberty to make the final submissions, if any, within 30 days from the issue of this order. Accordingly, an order in this case is 'Reserved', which will be pronounced later on.

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
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Sh.Ashok Kumar

S/o Sh. Sham Lal Bank Street, New Basti, Nabha-147201, District Patiala (M: 9780150888)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer.

O/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, SCO-74/75, Sector-17 B, Chandigarh First Appellate Authority O/o Managing Director Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, SCO-74/75, Sector-17 B,

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No.804 of 2023

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Ms. Tarnjeet Bajwa, Warehousing Manager-cum-PIO (9814708289) and Sh. Pawandeep Singh, Accounts Clerk (9988363001) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Chandigarh

The above mentioned case was earlier heard by the Sh. Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner, Punjab on 18.06.2024 and judgment was reserved to pronounced, which was not pronounced and case file was sent to the Deputy Registrar on 08.07.2024 as he has demitted office on 09.07.2024. Thereafter, the case was allocated to this Bench and fixed for hearing on 10.04.2025, which was postponed due to public holiday declared by the Punjab Government on account of Mahavir Jayanti and fixed for today i.e. 23.04.2025.

- 2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions with regard to the sought information, the relevant portion of which is as follows:
 - "2. That vide order dated 15.12.2023, this hon'ble commission directed the respondent PIO to demonstrate how the disclosure of information of the appellant, which has been denied by respondent PIO as per section 8(1)(H) of the RTI Act, would impede the prosecution of Sh. Ashok Kumar in trial of FIR No. 11 of 2012. but in the reply respondent PIO has failed to demonstrate the same. mere mentioning that FIR is pending is not the reason to deny the information. It is pertinent to mention here that FIR No. 11 is related to M/s Ashoka Rice Mill and information sought in this case is related to appellant's another

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rice mill i.e M/s Bassiarkh Rice Mill. Detailed written submissions alongwith caselaws are already submitted in the shape of "Replication of Reply dt.14-12-2023". Same may kindly be reconsidered."

- 3. Accordingly, the respondent PIO is directed to make the written/counter submissions, if any before the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.
- 4. To come up on 10.09.2025 at 11:30 A.M. at Chandigarh.

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First Appellate Authority

O/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, SCO-74/75, Sector-17 B, Chandigarh

..respondent(s)

..Appellant

Appeal Case No. 2601 of 2023

Vs

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Mohinder Partap Singh, Clerk (9041029480) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The above mentioned case was earlier heard by the Sh. Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner, Punjab on 06.05.2024 and judgment was reserved to pronounced, which was not pronounced and case file was sent to the Deputy Registrar on 08.07.2024 as he has demitted office on 09.07.2024. Thereafter, the case was allocated to this Bench and fixed for hearing today i.e. 23.04.2025.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions in the shape of "Replication to Reply Dated 07.02.2024" be taken into consideration while deciding the matter. Accordingly, a copy of the submissions dated 07.02.2024 is being sent to the respondent to file the submissions, if any, within 30 days from the issue of this order. Also, the appellant is at liberty to make the final submissions, if any, within 30 days from the issue of this order. Accordingly an order in this case is 'Reserved', which will be pronounced later on.

> (Inderpal Singh) **Chief Information Commissioner Punjab**

Date:23.04.2025