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Shri Vikram Vaid, (98550 32897)
Activist & Whistle Blower,
R/o H. No. 1527, Gali No. 2,
Bagh Rama Nand, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Block Mehatpur, District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 0661 OF 2023

Present:

Appellant: Shri Vikram Vaid

Respondent: Sh. Gurwinder Kaur (BDPO, Mehatpur) 8146671466,
Sh. Baljinder Singh (Panchayat Secty.)
Sh. Balwinder Kumar (O/o SDM, Nakodar)
Sh. Arshpreet Kumar (Naib Tehsildar, Mehatpur)

ORDER

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(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Nakodar, District Jalandhar.
....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1601 OF 2024

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of PIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of Order, if any of FAA	Date of Appeal/ Complaint Filed in Commission
06.02.2023	13.02.2023	31.03.2023	24.04.2023	07.02.2024

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Advocate Satish Kumar Bhiri, (94176 12036)

R/o Ward No. 10, Near Nehru Park,

Jaito, District Faridkot.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer,

Nagar Council, Jaito,

District Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,

Urban Development, Faridkot.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 0917 OF 2022

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. Both the parties are absent.

3. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Surjit Singh, (98559 00321)
S/o Shri Gokul Singh,
R/o Village & Post Office Jarg,
Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana-141415

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1020 OF 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. Both the parties are absent.

3. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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Shri Deepak Mahajan, (78883 16272)
S/o Shri Subhash Chander,
R/o Mohalla Qazian, Near Mata Asha Purni Mandir,
Tehsil & District Pathankot.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District & Session Judge,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District & Session Judge,
Pathankot.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1028 OF 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. Both the parties are absent.

3. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Hakam Singh, (98763 61775)

S/o Shri Sukhdev Singh,

R/o Village & Post Office Dhilwan,

Tehsil Tapa, District Barnala-148108

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director,

Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab,

S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director,

Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab,

S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1039 OF 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. Both the parties are absent.

3. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Vasu Syal, (98778 25051)

R/o H. No. 125, Ward No. 7,
Gurudwara Singh Sabha Road,
Zira, District Ferozepur-142047

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Station House Officer,
Division No. 3, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Station House Officer,
Division No. 3, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1061 OF 2023

Present:

Appellant: Shri Vasu Syal

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This case was initially heard by the Learned Bench of Sh. Asit Jolly and was subsequently transferred to the undersigned Bench following his retirement. Accordingly, the case was scheduled for hearing today.

2. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him so far by the respondent Public Information Officer (PIO) in this case. However, the respondent PIO has remained absent for the second consecutive hearing without any prior intimation to the Commission, which amounts to non-compliance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, and a disregard for the Commission's proceedings.

3. In view of the above, the Commission issues a **Show Cause Notice** to the PIO, directing him to explain within **7 days** from the date of receipt of this order why action should not be taken against him under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, for willful non-compliance and failure to provide the requested information. Further, the PIO is **directed to appear in person** before the Commission on the next date of hearing, along with the complete information sought by the appellant, without fail. Failure to comply with this order may result in appropriate action under the RTI Act, 2005.

Note: The appellant is **exempted from personal appearance** at the next hearing as he has to travel from Ludhiana. However, if he wishes to make any further submission regarding the information, he may do so in writing via **email or post** before the next hearing.

3. Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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Shri Naresh Kumar

Section Officer, # 2190,
Sector 44-C, Chandigarh
160047.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary, Punjab State
Board of Technical Education
& Industrail Training, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary, Punjab State
Board of Technical Education
& Industrail Training, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

APPEAL CASE NO. : 2665/2023

Present:

Appellant: Shri Naresh Kumar

Respondent: Dr. Jagdeep Kaur, (Deputy Director, Academics)

ORDER (4th Hearing) :

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **05.03.2025**. The matter was listed for hearing today.
2. In the previous hearing, the Commission had directed the PIO to file an undertaking affirming that no information related to the RTI application remained pending. The original undertaking was to be sent to the appellant, with a copy forwarded to the Commission before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case was adjourned.
3. During today's proceedings, the PIO submitted the undertaking in compliance with the Commission's order, bearing **Letter No. 1298 dated 05.03.2025**. The appellant acknowledged the receipt of the undertaking but pointed out certain deficiencies in writing, as mentioned below:

I have received Board's letter no. PSBTE&IT/RTI/25/1297 dated 05/03/2025 on 11.03.2025 have 10 pages. The page no. 4 of the letter is mostly in unreadable in many places of document.

Further I want to say to you that the Page no. 3 (of this letter), the noting ends at 10/06/21 and the next page of noting (in continuation of Page no. 3) is required to complete the noting send by you. Page no. 3 of letter is regarding sending the case to PP2 Branch Punjab Govt/ Under Secretary Technical Education and Industrial Training for clarification and this noting ends on 10/6/21.

Existing documents are incomplete without the above said document.

The above mentioned letter no. 1297, page no. 4 is unreadable and it just transfer of Sh Rajesh Kumar Jassi, Admn Officer and its noting relates to 07/06/21 is a separate case.

It is requested to PIO Punjab State Board of Technical Education and Industrial Training to please send the case after your satisfaction in according with the RTI Application, so that so much unnecessary delay (34+ months already delayed) in RTI case can be stopped.

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4. On this, the PIO stated that she is not the custodian of the records but collects information from the concerned branch and provides it to the appellant. However, the PIO assured the Commission that they would look into the matter and verify if any pages are missing.
5. In view of the above, the matter is **adjourned**, and the PIO is given an opportunity to **rectify the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant** and submit an **updated reply** on or before the next date of hearing.

With these observations and directions, the matter stands adjourned.

5. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Ms. Sunita Aggarwal, (9555333186)

D/o Shri Ashok Aggarwal,
R/o # 117, Sunheri Bagh Apartment,
Sector-13, Tehsil Rohini,
Delhi-110085

... .Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Department of Food,
Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs,
Punjab Anaj Bhawan, Sector-39, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director, Department of Food,
Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs,
Punjab Anaj Bhawan, Sector-39, Chandigarh.

....Respondent

APPEAL CASE NO. : 7028/2024

Present:

Appellant: Shri Arwind Aggarwal (Appellant's representative)

Respondent: HC Maninder Singh (Incharge RTI) , Const.Tejinder Singh

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated **27.02.2025**. The matter was listed for hearing today.

2. Both parties were present for the hearing today and were heard at length.

3. After deliberation, the **appellant is directed to specify the exact part of the information he seeks**, and the **PIO is directed to address the same and provide the requisite information/reply as per the RTI Act** on or before the next date of hearing.

With these directions, the matter is adjourned to the next date of hearing.

4. **Next hearing on 04.06.2025 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh**

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

25.03.2025