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Shri Ranjodh Singh, (97798-08572)

R/o Village Ratoke, P.O Pakhopur,
Distt Tarn Taran - 143408

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Chohla Sahib,
Distt Tarn Taran.**

**First Appellate Authority,
O/o BDPO, Chohla Sahib,
Distt Tarn Taran.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7438 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **11.05.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.06.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **08.11.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission of his inability to attend the hearing via email dated 16.01.2026 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. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. 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 the point wise reply / information to the appellant through registered post 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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 27.01.2026

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Shri Balwinder Singh, (94634-84144)

S/o Shri Malkit Singh,
R/o Village Jandu Singha, Patti Bains,
Distt Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,

Adampur, Jalandhar.

Encl: RTI application.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o DDPO,
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7486 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Balwinder Singh (94634-84144)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **11.07.2023** 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 **21.08.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has received incomplete information from the respondent and requests the court for complete requisite information.

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 a copy of Commission's notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but the same has been returned by the Postal Authorities stating that the address is "insufficient".

4. The appellant states that the information sought in this RTI application pertains to BDPO, Adampur, District Jalandhar. In view of the appellant's statement the Commission impleads the BDPO, Adampur, District Jalandhar, impleaded as necessary party in this appeal case.

5. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice, **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Adampur, to provide the point wise reply / information to the appellant through registered post before the next 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.

6. **To come up on 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Gurvinder Brar, (94639-80317)

S/o Shri Gurmel Singh,
Village Golewala, Tehsil & Distt Faridkot - 151203
RTI Application No. 85151

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7514 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **24.08.2023** 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 **10.11.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Varinder Singh, (87290-12793)

S/o Shri Dalbir Singh,
Village KhanpurRajputtan,
Tehsil Shahkot, Distt Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, LohiyaKhas,
Distt Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7517 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Buta Masih, Superintendent (75023-40009) and
Shri Shinderpal Singh, Panchayat Secretary (94641-24428)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **30.06.2023** 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 **03.11.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but an email dated 23.01.2026 has been received from him mentioning therein that he has not received any reply from the respondent till date and further, he requested to hear the case through online mode.

3. The respondent states that he has brought the complete information today to be provided to the appellant. The respondent assured the Commission that he will send it to the appellant today positively through registered post. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. Accordingly, the respondent is directed to send it to the appellant through registered post at the earliest, under intimation to the Commission. The appellant is advised to go through the same and point out deficiencies, if any, after the receipt of the information within 10 days. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.

5. The request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Rajesh Kumar Thakral, (98559-68371)

S/o Shri Kashmire Lal,
Rajesh Thakral Street Daan, Tehsil & Distt Fazilka - 152123
RTI Application No. 85429

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7520 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Amrinder Paul Singh, PIO-cum-Deputy Director (98726-13444)

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 **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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission of his inability to attend the hearing via email and requested to hear the case through online mode.

3. The respondent states that he is ready to provide the sought for information to the appellant. Further, he requested some additional time to provide the information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with 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 the point wise reply / information to the appellant through registered post before the next 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 request of the appellant to hear this case through online mode is accepted. Accordingly, both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations through Cisco Webex, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. **Both parties are directed to attend the next hearing on 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. through cisco webex. (Webex Meeting Number : 25180667401 and Password : 12345.)**

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Shri Rajiv Sharma, (62395-09191)
292, Kothey Bhim Sain,
Dinanagar, Distt Gurdaspur - 143531
RTI Application No. 83029

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7522 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **15.08.2023** 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 **13.09.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The respondent is absent, but an email dated 23.01.2026 has been received from him mentioning therein that a reply has already been sent to the appellant along with information.

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. The *prima facie* appears that the appellant does not intend to pursue the case and he has nothing to say in this regard.

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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Harjeet Singh, (94659-08752)

S/o Shri Angrej Singh,
Village Janghi Rana, Distt Bathinda - 151401
RTI Application No. 89006

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7524 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Shri Raj Kumar, SA (98885-83953)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **12.09.2023** 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 **25.09.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The respondent states that reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 16.01.2026. 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 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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Date: 27.01.2026

[Note: Shri Anant Kumar on behalf of the appellant (70090-40729) appeared after the hearing was over. He was read out the above order and the reply submitted by the respondent was handed over to him with directions to point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent PIO. The case stands adjourned for further proceedings.]

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Shri Jatinder Singh, (81465-56262)

S/o Shri Avtar Singh,
466, Urban Estate, Phagwara,
Tehsil & Distt Kapurthala - 144632
RTI Application No. 90576

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7525 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **20.09.2023** 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 **23.09.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Veena Rani, (94789-40160)

S/o Shri Vasdev,
4381, Routi Street Jagroan,
Distt Ludhiana.
RTI Application No. 87454

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7526 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **04.09.2023** 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 **20.09.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

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.

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Shri Dharminder Kumar Jindal, (98761-92246)

246, Urban Estate,
Phase - 3, Near Radio Station, Patiala.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab,
Sector – 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab,
Sector – 62, Mohali.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7581 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Dharminder Kumar Jindal, (98761-92246)
Respondent: Shri Jagdish Singh, Steno (73070-75558)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **06.09.2022** vide which the appellant has sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **08.08.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

2. The appellant 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 he is ready to provide the sought for information to the appellant. Further, he requested some additional time to provide the information.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties 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 the point wise reply / information to the appellant through registered post 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 09.07.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Anuj Sharma, (78371-11001)

S/o Shri Ravinder Sharma,
1 A, New Kangra Colony,
Tehsil & Distt Amritsar - I - 143001
RTI Application No. 72381

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7611 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.06.2023** 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 **26.07.2023** 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. **27.01.2026**.

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.

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