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## Sh. Balram,

S/o Sh. Ram Narain,  
Village Dharampura, Tehsil Abohar,  
Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Mohali)  
(M:9463974663)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Director,  
Vigilance Bureau, Punjab,  
Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Financial Commissioner,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

## Public Information Officer,

O/o District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Fazilka

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Director,  
Vigilance Bureau, Punjab,  
Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

... Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 5027 of 2023

**Present:-** Sh. Balram, the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.09.2024. During the said hearing, matter was fixed for further hearing on 13.11.2024 but due to administrative reasons, the case was adjourned for today i.e. 27.11.2024.

2. The relevant portion of the previous dated 04.09.2024 is reproduced below:

2. *The appellant made oral submissions that that he has not received the sought information as he has made application at the initial stage on 12.05.2023 and there is a huge delay in providing the sought information rather many letters have been issued to the appellant by the respondent Public Information Officer cum Block Development and Panchayats Officer which are not relevant for him because the sought information is still pending to be supplied.*

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## **Appeal Case No. 5027 of 2023**

3. *The respondent submits that the department of Vigilance Bureau is exempted from personal appearance as per the order passed by the Commission on 06.12.2023. Accordingly, the respondent PIO, O/o Vigilance Bureau, Mohali is exempted from further appearance in this case as the specific reply has already been received that the Vigilance Bureau has not enquired the matter and the complaint of the appellant has already been sent to the Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayat, Punjab.*
4. *It is also a fact that the Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayat send the said complaint to the DDPO and also the DDPO, Fazilka has already impleaded as necessary party in this case. Today, none is present on behalf of the respondent i.e. DDPO although the directions issued by the said office to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Khuhian Server to attend the hearing. It is also a fact on record that the Public Information Officer o/o the DDPO has already been served a show cause notice. In spite of the fact DDPO has not appeared rather the Commission impleaded DDPO as a necessary party and communication to the DDPO cannot abide because he is a necessary party in this case & it's his duty to appear before the Commission. Also, in the interest of natural justice, the Public Information Officer-cum-DDPO is directed to file the written reply regarding the show cause notice issued to him in this case failing which the decision will be taken on the same ex-parte, on merit.*
5. *From the respondent who so ever appeared from DDPO/BDPO or anyone has to bring all the proceeding relating to the present appeal and place before the Commission so that justice will be done. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the presence of the concerned Public Information Officer –cum-DDPO Sh. Sanjeev Sharma will be procured by issuing BAILABLE WARRANTS and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.*
6. *A copy of this order is also being sent to the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka to comply with the order and ensure the presence of the concerned person.*
7. *A copy is also being sent to the Director, Rural Development & Panchayats for the compliance of this order.”*

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3. The appellant is present and submitted a copy of letter written by the DDPO, Fazilka to the BDPO, Khuian Sarwar at Abohar in which the later was directed to remain present on 19.11.2024 before the DDPO. The appellant further requested that the directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the complete sought information and also requested that the DDPO and the BDPO be penalized and he may be compensated.

4. In spite of previous order, mentioned herein none is present on behalf of the DDPO and BDPO. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent casually, **Sh. Gurdarshan Kundal, DDPO, Fazilka, is, thus, issued a show cause notice, by name,** to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, 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.

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

5. Also, the DDPO, Fazilka is directed to deliver a copy of this order to the BDPO, Khuian Sarwar at Abohar who will be present on the next date of hearing.

6. A copy of this order is **being sent** to the Financial Commissioner, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab to ensure the presence of the DDPO and BDPO on the next date of hearing. In the interest of natural justice, **last opportunity** is granted to the respondents, mentioned herein, are directed to remain present, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the presence of the concerned Public Information Officer/BDPO/DDPO will be procured by issuing **BAILABLE WARRANTS** and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority.

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## Appeal Case No. 5027 of 2023

7. To come up on **19.12.2024 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

**Date: 27.11.2024**

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**CC:**

**Sh. Alok Shekhar, IAS**

Additional Chief Secretary,  
to Government of Punjab,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, sector-62,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

**Sh. Gurdarshan Kundal**

District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Fazilka

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

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## Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate

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Grain Market, Mandi Mullapur,  
Distt. Ludhiana  
(M: 9814924851)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust,  
Ludhiana

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,  
(UD), Ludhiana

... Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 6243 of 2022

**Present:-** None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Gopal Nandan, Clerk (9780322874) on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.08.2024.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent an email on 20.11.2024 in which he has not made any submission with regard to his absence today, which is taken on record. However, the respondent is present and submits that the appellant is seeking the information which is voluminous in nature and also comprising third party information.

3. To take the matter to its logical end, the appellant is directed to establish 'Larger Public Interest' involved in seeking the information.

4. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date: 27.11.2024

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Chief Information Commissioner  
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(M: 9814924851)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust,  
Ludhiana

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,  
(UD), Ludhiana

... Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 6244 of 2022

**Present:-** None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Gopal Nandan, Clerk (9780322874) on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.08.2024.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent an email on 20.11.2024 in which he has not made any submission with regard to his absence today, which is taken on record. However, the respondent is present and submits that the appellant is seeking the information which is voluminous in nature and also comprising third party information.

3. To take the matter to its logical end, the appellant is directed to establish 'Larger Public Interest' involved in seeking the information.

4. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date: 27.11.2024

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(M: 9814924851)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust,  
Ludhiana

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,  
(UD), Ludhiana

... Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 6245 of 2022

**Present:-** None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Gopal Nandan, Clerk (9780322874) on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.08.2024.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent an email on 20.11.2024 in which he has not made any submission with regard to his absence today, which is taken on record. However, the respondent is present and submits that the appellant is seeking the information which is voluminous in nature and also comprising third party information.

3. To take the matter to its logical end, the appellant is directed to establish 'Larger Public Interest' involved in seeking the information.

4. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

**Date: 27.11.2024**

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Distt. Ludhiana  
(M: 9814924851)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust,  
Ludhiana

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,  
(UD), Ludhiana

... Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 6246 of 2022

**Present:-** None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Gopal Nandan, Clerk (9780322874) on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.08.2024.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent an email on 20.11.2024 in which he has not made any submission with regard to his absence today, which is taken on record. However, the respondent is present and submits that the appellant is seeking the information which is voluminous in nature and also comprising third party information.

3. To take the matter to its logical end, the appellant is directed to establish 'Larger Public Interest' involved in seeking the information.

4. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date: 27.11.2024

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## Sh. P.D. Bansal,

94, City Homes Colony,  
Near Spring Dale School,  
Khanna-141401  
District Ludhiana  
(M:9855783747)

... Appellant

V/s

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Principal Secretary  
To Government of Punjab  
Deptt. of Health & Family Welfare,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Managing Director,  
Punjab Health System Corporation,  
Phase-8, Sector-62, Mohali

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary  
To Government of Punjab  
Deptt. of Health & Family Welfare,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

... Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5992 of 2023

**Present:-** Sh. P. D. Bansal, the appellant.

Sh. Amrit Pal Singh, Senior Assistant (9872655146) and Ms. Kamlesh (9814683821) on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.03.2024. Earlier the case was heard by the State Information Commissioner, Punjab, Sh. Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon, who has demitted the office on 06.04.2024. Thereafter, the case was allocated to the undersigned Bench and fixed for hearing on 13.11.2024 but due to administrative reasons, the case was adjourned for today i.e. 27.11.2024.

2. The appellant is satisfied with the supplied information pertaining to Point No.1 and 3 of the RTI application. Regarding Point No. 2, the Punjab Health System Corporation was impleaded as a necessary party in this case and the said office filed the written response that no action has been taken against the SMO as the Director, Health & Family Welfare is entitled to take any action against the said SMO and report in this regard as already been sent to the Director, Health & Family welfare.

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## **Appeal Case No. 5992 of 2023**

3. Keeping in view that the submissions made by the respondent, a copy of this order is **being sent** to the PIO-cum-Superintendent, O/o Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Health-1 Branch to provide upto date status of the said complaint. A copy of the response so received from the Punjab Health System Corporation is attached herewith.
4. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
5. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

**Date: 27.11.2024**

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**CC:**

**Sh. Jatinder Singh, Superintendent-  
-cum-Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Principal Secretary  
to Government of Punjab  
Deptt. of Health & Family Welfare,  
Health-1 Branch  
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

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**Sh. Daljit Singh**, S/o Sh. Virsa Singh,  
R/o 94/A, Pink Park, Barewal,  
Ludhiana-141012. Ludhiana.  
(M.7508000217)

.....Appellant

Vs

**Public Information Officer**,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana Police Commissionerate,  
Mini Secretariate, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana Police Commissionerate,  
Mini Secretariate, Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 5308 of 2023**

Present : (i) None on behalf of the appellant.  
(ii) ASI Umesh Kumar on behalf of the respondent (7888580492)

### **ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 15.06.2024 vide which the appellant sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority on 23.06.2024 and Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.08.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i. e. 27.11.2024.

2. At today's hearing, neither the appellant is present in person nor has sent any request/intimation in regard to his absence. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post, which is not received 'back' but even though he is absent, which appears that his absence is intentional and willful. **Last opportunity** is awarded to the appellant to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which case will be decided on merit ex-parte.

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## **Appeal Case No. 5308 of 2023**

3. At today's hearing, ASI Umesh Kumar is appearing on behalf of the respondent PIO in person and has filed a written submission, which is taken on record.
4. Accordingly, both the parties are directed to remain present in person for deliberation, failing which case will be decided on merit ex-parte.
5. The case is **adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024**  
R.S

Sd/-  
**(Inderpal Singh)**  
**Chief Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Jatinder Singh**, S/o Sh. Joginder Singh,  
H.No.110, Type E-1, Punjab University Campus,  
Sector:14, Chandigarh-160014  
(M.9530661455)

.....Appellant

Vs

**Public Information Officer**,  
O/o The District Education Officer (S.E),  
Gurdaspur.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o The District Education Officer (S.E),  
Gurdaspur.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 4585 of 2023**

Present : Sh. Jatinder Singh, the appellant.  
Dr. Ranju Saini, Principal, Himalaya Modern Senior Secondary School, Babowal,  
on behalf of the respondent.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous orders dated 31.07.2024.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant states that he has already submitted the larger public interest before the Bench.

3. Dr. Ranju Saini, Principal of Himalaya Modern Senior Secondary School, Babowal, Gurdaspur, is present in person and states that as discussed during the previous hearing that their school is not a public authority in terms of Section 2 (h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. Accordingly, Dr. Ranju Saini, Principal of the Himalaya Modern Senior Secondary School, Babowal, Gurdaspur, is directed to submit a fresh reply by way of duly notarized affidavit on e-stamp paper reproducing that no grant-in-aid has been received from any of the Government. Said affidavit must be submitted in original to this Commission on or before 02.01.2025 and a photocopy of the same be sent to the appellant.

5. Post deliberations at this hearing, the Principal is also directed to bring all the record/supporting documents, in a sealed cover, submitted to get the recognition and affiliation, if so, along with their sanction and/or any other permission issued by any other Government institution to run the school, for the perusal of the Commission.

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## Appeal Case No. 4585 of 2023

6. **A final opportunity** is awarded to the respondent PIO-cum-District Education Officer (SE), Gurdaspur to remain present on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

7. A copy of this order is being sent to the **Director, Public Instructions (SE), Punjab, Mohali** to ensure the presence of the concerned respondent PIO-cum-District Education Officer (SE), Gurdaspur on the next hearing. It is also clarified that in case of absence of the respondent PIO and Principal of the Himalaya Modern Senior Secondary School, Babowal, Gurdaspur on the next date of hearing, their presence will be procured by issuing **BAILABLE WARRANTS** and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority as per the procedure established by the Law.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 23<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Dated: 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024  
R.S

Sd/-  
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Sh. Ravi Kumar ,  
Secretary, Bahujan Samaj Party,  
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(M.-9855791905)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Registrar,  
Firms and Societies, Punjab,  
17 Bays Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,  
Room No. 12, Sector 17,  
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Industries & Commerce, Pb.,  
Room No. 206, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
17 Bays Building, Sector 17, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 4919 of 2024**

Present : Sh. Ravi Kumar, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Sukhdev Singh(M.-7986126404), Senior Assistant, for the respondent.

### **ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 17.11.2023 vide which the appellant sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority on 02.02.2024 and Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.11.2024 and postponed for today i. e. 27.11.2024.

2. The respondent submitted that hard efforts were made to trace the record and he has brought the sought alongwith him. He also handed over the required information to the appellant during the course of hearing. The appellant requested for an adjournment in this case so that deficiencies, if any, could be filed. Accordingly, an opportunity is given to the appellant to file deficiencies, if any, with fifteen days from the receipt of this order.

3. With this, the case is **adjourned to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

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Chief Information Commissioner  
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Dev Samaj Chowk,  
Bathinda-151005(Punjab)  
(M.- 9417325533)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Registrar,  
Firms and Societies, Punjab,  
17 Bays Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,  
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17 Bays Building,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 2385 of 2024**

Present : Ms. Priya Saho(M.-8837685319), Advocate, on behalf of the appellant with Anubhav (M.-8427240131)(Brother of the appellant) Sh. Sukhdev Singh(M.-7986126404), Senior Assistant, for the respondent.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.10.2024.

2. The respondent requested for an adjournment in this case. The Counsel of the appellant also submitted 'Power of Attorney' to appear on behalf of the appellant and also requested to adjourn the case. As both the parties have requested for an adjournment in this case, as such they are directed to file their submissions before the next date of hearing, if any. They are also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations failing which the decision will be taken ex-parte on merit and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

3. With this, the case is **adjourned to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024  
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(Inderpal Singh)  
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(M:9918896100)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Naib Tehsildar,  
Zirakpur,

Encl : Distt. -S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority  
O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Derabassi,  
Distt. -S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 2676 of 2023**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.10.2024.

2. None of the parties are present in today's hearing. However, the respondent through an e-mail has requested for an adjournment in this case as he is designated as Returning Officer in elections of Nagar Panchayat, Mahilpur. Also, the appellant through an e-mail has requested for an adjournment in this case. Also the appellant made the submission that incomplete information pertaining to Point No. 1 and 2 has been supplied by the respondent. He further requested that the respondent may be directed to supply the information with regard to point no. 3, 4 and 5 by way of an affidavit. Further, he has made the submissions that the respondent has paid the compensation amounting to Rs.10000/- out of the individual's Account, whereas, the directions were given by the Commission to pay the compensation out of the State exchequer and also requested to enhance the same.

3. It is also a fact that a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 14.02.2024 but till date no compliance report has been submitted whether the penalty amount has been deposited or not. As such a copy of the order vide which penalty was imposed upon the PIO is **being sent** to the Financial Commissioner(Revenue) to recover the

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said amount and a compliance report be sent to the Commission for record. Nevertheless, **last opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to submit compliance report of the order dated 14.02.2024 through which penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed, on or before the next date of hearing.

4. Keeping in view the above and in the interest of natural justice, both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations.

5. A copy of this order is being sent to the Financial Commissioner(Revenue), Pb., , Chandigarh with the directions to comply with the and also ensure the presence of the PIO on the next date of hearing.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

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Encl :

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Sh. Anurag Verma, IAS  
Financial Commissioner (Revenue), Punjab  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,  
Chandigarh

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District – Ludhiana - 141123(Punjab)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer-cum-  
Food Safety Officer,  
O/o The Civil Surgeon,  
SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority  
O/o The Civil Surgeon,  
SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3601 of 2023**

Present : Sh. Nitin (M.-7710751275) on behalf of the appellant.  
i) Sh. Gaurav Kumar(M.-9463617076), PIO, in person ;  
ii) Sh. Sarabjeet Singh (M.-9872702301) on behalf of the respondent.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.10.2024.

2. The respondent submitted a reply showing that the sought information has been supplied to the appellant. The representative of the appellant has also submitted that the sought information has been received and he is satisfied with the same.

3. As far as the information is concerned that has been supplied in this case. It is also a fact that a show cause notice was issued to Sh. Abhinav Kumar, Public Information Officer-cum-Food Safety Officer, who is presently posted at O/o Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur but no response has been received from him. In the interest of natural justice, one **last opportunity** is granted to him to file his reply failing which the decision on the show cause notice will be taken ex-parte, on merit.

4. With this, the case is **adjourned to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

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Hoshiarpur (Punjab)

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S/o Sh. Nand Lal,  
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(M.- 6239244597)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The General Manager,  
District Industries Centre,  
Ferozepur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority  
O/o The Director,  
Industries & Commerce, Pb.,  
17 Bays Building,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 5787 of 2023**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Sukhminder Singh Rekhi (M.-9888880556), General Manager-cum-PIO.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.10.2024.

2. The appellant is not present in today's hearing. However, the appellant through an e-mail has intimated that he is unable to attend today's hearing and sent written submissions in response to the reply sent to him by the respondent. The respondent submitted that he has recently joined the office. He further made the submissions that the appellant is seeking the information, which is not required to be maintained by the respondent public authority. He further submitted that the information, as available on record, has already been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 2042 dated 30.08.2023. He further clarified that nothing more is available on record which could be supplied to the appellant.

3. After going through the written submissions of both the parties, the order in this case is '**Reserved**' and would be pronounced later on.

Date 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024  
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