



Sh. Ravinder Singh Grewal, S/o Late Sh. Rajinder Singh Grewal,
H. No. 26-D, Hira Nagar, Patiala (Punjab)
(M :9464000331)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 506 of 2026

PRESENT : (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Sandeep Saini, Architect-cum-PIO (M.-9646300176), in person.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-Architect, Sh. Sandeep Saini, submits that the information, as available in the official records of the respondent PIO, has already been furnished to the appellant. It is further submitted that no further communication or response has been received from the appellant in this regard. The submission of the respondent is taken on record.

4. In the interest of justice, the appellant is granted a **last and final opportunity** to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing and state his case. In the event of his failure to appear or otherwise communicate with the Commission, it shall be presumed that the appellant is satisfied with the information furnished by the respondent PIO and does not wish to pursue the matter any further. The Commission shall, thereafter, proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

**Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**



Sh. Manjinder Singh, (M: 9872015069)
#2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125,
Kharar, District Mohali.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3992 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant states that as directed by the Commission during the last hearing, nothing has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any authorised representative on his behalf is present before the Commission at today's hearing. However, an email dated 11.09.2026 has been received from the respondent PIO, wherein it has been stated that, owing to shortage of staff and their engagement in SIR-related duties, the respondent is unable to appear personally before the Bench.

4. From the perusal of the case file, it is ascertained that the respondent PIO has not addressed the RTI application within the stipulated time, as prescribed under the RTI Act, 2005, which shows his careless and casual attitude towards the Order of the Commission. Accordingly, the Commission deems it fit to issue this Show Cause Notice.

5. The **respondent PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transporty Authority, Bathinda** is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant. He/she should file a written reply in response to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him for not getting the information. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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Appeal Case No.3992 of 2024

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*.”

6. The **respondent PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda**, is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh, along with a written, point wise reply to the RTI application and duly attested copies of all the information requested. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Cc:

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

(By name) (For compliance)



Sh. Manjinder Singh, (M: 9872015069)
#2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125,
Kharar, District Mohali.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

Sh. Rakesh Bansal ARTO (Deemed PIO),
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3993 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Vishal Geol, ARTO the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submitted that despite the specific directions issued by the Commission, no reply or the requisite information has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date. The appellant further requested that he be awarded appropriate compensation for the harassment and inconvenience suffered by him on account of the continued non-supply of information.

3. The respondent PIO, Sh. Vishal Geol, ARTO, submits that he has recently joined the office and that, at the time of filing of the RTI application, Sh. Rakesh Bansal was the concerned PIO. He further submits that Sh. Ankush Pupneja, Data Entry Operator, who is the custodian of the relevant records, is also not cooperating in furnishing the requisite information.

4. In view of the continued non-compliance and the absence of the respondent PIO, a **fresh bailable warrant** be issued in the name of Sh. Rakesh Bansal, ARTO O/o RTA, Ferozepur now posted at O/o Regional Transport Authority, Sri Mukatsar Sahib directing him to appear **in person** before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with a **detailed point-wise written reply** to the RTI application and the complete relevant record. Failure to comply with these directions shall entail appropriate action under the provisions of the **Right to Information Act, 2005**.

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Appeal Case No. 3993 of 2024

5. Bailable Warrant be issued to ensure the presence of **Sh. Rakesh Bansal, ARTO O/o RTA, Ferozepur now posted at O/o Regional Transoprt Authority, Sri Mukatsar Sahib**, at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case. Sh. Rakesh Bansal, ARTO O/o RTA, Ferozepur now posted at O/o Regional Transoprt Authority, Sri Mukatsar Sahib is also directed to ensure comply with Commission's Order 10.06.2026 without any further delay.

6. **Sh. Ankush Pupneja, Data Entry Operator**, is also directed to appear personally before the Commission on the next date of hearing, along with a point-wise reply to the RTI application of the appellant and the relevant records in his custody. He is further directed to ensure compliance with the directions of the Commission. In case of non-compliance or failure to appear without sufficient cause, the Commission shall be at liberty to initiate appropriate proceedings, including penal action, against him in accordance with law.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Enclosed: RTI application.

Cc:
Sh. Ankush Pupneja, Data Entry Operator
O/o Secretary, RTA, Ferozepur.

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BEFORE Smt. Pooja Gupta

State Information Commissioner, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Sh. Manjinder Singh V/s Public Information Officer O/o Secretary, RTA, Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

Appeal Case No. 3993 of 2024

UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 07.12.2026

To

Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

Whereas the respondent Public Information Officer-cum-**ARTO Sh. Rakesh Bansal O/o RTA, Sri Mukatsar Sahib** has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this **Bailable Warrant on** Public Information Officer-cum- **ARTO Sh. Rakesh Bansal O/o RTA, Sri Mukatsar Sahib** to appear before Smt. Pooja Gupta, Punjab State Information Commissioner, Chandigarh at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **07.12.2026 at 12.00 Noon** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 10.06.2026 (copy enclosed).

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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Enclosed: RTI application and Order dated 10.06.2026

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Sh. Gurinder Pal Singh, S/o Late Sh. Jaswant Singh,
H.No 2988, Old Gate, Village Jandiala,
Tehsil & District Amritsar. (M; 8360055001)
RTI Application No 122079.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Regional Transport Officer,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3939 of 2024

Present: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Steno O/o RTO, Amritsar on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent at today's hearing. However, an email dated 27.06.2026 has been received from the appellant, wherein it has been stated that, despite the lapse of more than two years, the respondent PIO has failed to address the RTI application and furnish the requisite information.
3. The respondent PIO, O/o RTO, Amritsar, represented by Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Steno, submits that the requisite correction has already been carried out in response to the RTI application of the appellant.
4. Upon perusal of the RTI application, it is observed that the appellant has specifically sought information regarding the name/designation of the concerned officer who made the incorrect entry and the action, if any, initiated against the said officer for making such incorrect entry. However, the respondent PIO has stated only that the correction in the record has been carried out. Thus, the response furnished does not appear to address the specific queries raised by the appellant in his RTI application.
5. Accordingly, the respondent PIO is directed to examine the RTI application afresh and furnish a specific, point-wise and complete reply to each query raised therein, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, including clearly stating whether the requisite information is available in the official records. The revised reply shall be furnished to the appellant before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission.

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Appeal Case No. 3939 of 2024

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
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Sh. Keshav Rai, S/o Sh. Wazir Chand,
Street-5/1, Post Office Wali Street,
Raama, Tehsil & Distt. – Bathinda - 151301(Punjab)
(M.-7009364239) RTI Application No. 151155.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Raama,
District – Bathinda (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
Bathinda) (Punjab).

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 627of 2025

Present: (i) Sh. Keshav Rai, the appellant (through Cisco webex)
(ii) Sh. Rajesh Kumar, Junior Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO (through cisco webex)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he has already pointed out the deficiencies in the information furnished by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 14.07.2026, both to the respondent PIO as well as to the Commission.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Rajesh Kumar, Junior Assistant, submits that he has been deputed on BLO SIR survey duty and, therefore, is unable to appear personally before the Commission. He further submits that the information sought by the appellant under the RTI application has already been furnished to him vide letter dated 27.07.2026.

4. Upon perusal of the record, it is observed that there is a specific dispute between the parties regarding the completeness of the information furnished. While the respondent PIO submits that complete information has already been supplied to the appellant, the appellant maintains that the information furnished is incomplete and that the deficiencies pointed out by him vide letter dated 14.07.2026 remain unaddressed.

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Appeal Case No. 627of 2025

5. In view of the above, **one further opportunity** is hereby granted to the respondent PIO to re-examine the RTI application, along with the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant vide letter dated 14.07.2026, and to furnish a **complete, clear and point-wise reply/information** to the appellant, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. In case any information is not available on record or is otherwise exempt from disclosure, the respondent PIO shall specifically indicate the same and cite the relevant provision of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent PIO shall ensure compliance with the above directions before the next date of hearing and place the compliance on record before the Commission, under intimation to the appellant.

6. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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Sh. Harjit Singh, S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,
Village and Post Office–Jhuner, Tehsil – Ahmedgarh,
District– Malerkotla - 148020 (Punjab).
(M.-6269875475).

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Agriculture Officer,
Doraha, District-Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare Deptt.,
Phase – 6, Agriculture Bhawan,
S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7150 of 2025

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent. However, an email dated 14.09.2026 has been received from the appellant, whereby he has sought an adjournment on the ground that he is required to appear personally before the Court of the Learned Judicial Magistrate, Payal, in connection with another matter.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. However, an email dated 02.07.2026 has been received from the CAO, Ludhiana, wherein it has been stated that the information comprising 44 pages has already been furnished to the appellant vide letter dated 01.07.2026.

4. In view of the above, the appellant is advised to peruse the information so furnished and, in case any deficiency is found therein, communicate the specific deficiencies to the respondent PIO within fifteen days from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. Upon receipt of any such rebuttal from the appellant, the respondent PIO shall examine the same and, if any deficiency is found, take appropriate steps to remove the deficiencies and furnish the requisite information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 7150 of 2025

5. Both the parties are directed to remain present before the Commission on the next date of hearing for further deliberations and to facilitate the matter being taken to its logical conclusion. In case either party fails to appear without sufficient cause, the matter shall be proceeded with and decided on merits on the basis of the material available on record.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026



Sh.Tejinder Singh, Advocate, (90410-04313)
Civil Courts, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur - 144410 (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 816 of 2022

Present : (i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant (through cisco webex)
(ii) None for the respondent PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant appeared before the Commission through Cisco Webex. However, due to a technical glitch, his submissions could not be heard.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation or request for exemption from personal appearance has been received from the respondent PIO. Such conduct reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the directions issued by the Commission.

4. Upon perusal of the record, it is observed that the instant matter was previously heard by Former SIC Sh. Anumit Singh Sodhi, who, vide order dated 31.05.2023, had awarded compensation of Rs.5,000/- to the appellant on account of the harassment suffered by him. However, despite the passage of considerable time, the said amount of compensation has admittedly not been paid to the appellant till date.

5. In view of the above, the respondent PIO concerned is directed to take immediate steps for payment of the compensation amount of Rs.5,000/- awarded vide order dated 31.05.2023 and submit a compliance report before the Commission, along with proof of payment, before the next date of hearing, failing which the amount of the compensation will be enhanced. The respondent PIO is further directed to remain personally present before the Commission on the next date of hearing to explain the reasons for non-compliance with the aforesaid order and non-payment of the compensation amount despite the lapse of considerable time.

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Appeal Case No. 816 of 2022

6. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Sh. Bhinder Kumar Goyal, (M: 8556069488)
H. No. 29, Goniana Road, Home Land Enclave,
Bathinda(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Assistant Commissioner,
State Tax, Bathinda(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
State Tax, Faridkot(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4079 of 2024

Present : (i) Sh. Bhinder Kumar Goyal, the appellant in person.
(ii) Sh. Anil Kumar, E.T.O. (M.-9646500344), Sh. Sukhvir Singh, S. A.(M.-9988600119) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant submits that, despite the lapse of more than two years, complete information sought by him under the RTI application has not yet been furnished by the respondent PIO. He further submits that he has already pointed out the deficiencies in the information furnished vide letter dated 31.08.2026. A copy of the said letter is taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, Sh. Anil Kumar, ETO, submits that complete information, to the extent available in the official records, has already been furnished to the appellant and that nothing further remains to be supplied.

4. In view of the conflicting submissions of the parties, the respondent PIO is directed to re-examine the RTI application along with the deficiencies specifically pointed out by the appellant vide letter dated 31.08.2026 and, if any deficiency is found, furnish the requisite information to the appellant, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. In case any information sought is not available in the official records, the respondent PIO is directed to file a duly sworn affidavit furnishing a **point-wise response** to each query raised in the RTI application, clearly indicating the information furnished to the appellant in respect of each point. The affidavit shall be duly attested by a **Notary Public** and shall be placed on record before the Commission prior to the next date of hearing.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 22nd October, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

(Pooja Gupta)
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R/o Ward No 1, Basoli Road,
Rakkar Colony, Una- 174303 (M: 7837517939)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
(Vigilance Cell), Municipal Bhawan,
Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5882 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Ravinder Kumar, the appellant (through cisco webex)
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant submitted that despite the specific directions issued by the Commission, no reply or the requisite information has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation or request for exemption from personal appearance has been received from the respondent PIO. Such conduct reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the directions issued by the Commission.

4. In view of the continued non-compliance and the absence of the respondent PIO, a **fresh bailable warrant** be issued in the name of **Sh. Taranjit Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO** directing him to appear **in person** before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with a **detailed point-wise written reply** to the RTI application and the complete relevant record. Failure to comply with these directions shall entail appropriate action under the provisions of the **Right to Information Act, 2005**.

5. Bailable Warrant be issued to ensure the presence of **Sh. Taranjit Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh** at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case. **Sh. Taranjit Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh** is also directed to ensure comply with Commission's Order 16.03.2026 without any further delay.

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Appeal Case No. 5882 of 2025

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Enclosed: Order dated 16.03.2026.

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BEFORE Smt. Pooja Gupta

State Information Commissioner, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Sh. Ravinder Kumar V/s Public Information Officer O/o The Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 5882 of 2024

UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 07.12.2026

To

Senior Superintendent of Police,
Mohali.

Whereas the respondent Public Information Officer **Sh. Taranjit Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh** has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this **Bailable Warrant on** Public Information Officer **Sh. Taranjit Singh, Superintendent-cum-PIO O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh** to appear before Smt. Pooja Gupta, Punjab State Information Commissioner, Chandigarh at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **07.12.2026 at 12.00 Noon** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 16.03.20026 (copy enclosed).

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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Sh. Mahesh Kumar S/o Sh. Ruldu Ram,
Street-4, Balaji Street, Ward -8(Old Ward-4),
PHC Water Works Road, Budhlada,
District Mansa - 151502(Punjab)
(M :9876014492)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Budhlada,
District Mansa.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4542 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Mahesh Kumar, the appellant in person.
(ii) Ms. Rajdeep Kaur(M.-9815887484), Clerk O/o Nagar Council, Budhlada, for the respondent PIO
(iii) Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Sr. Assistant along with Ms. Komal Preet Kaur, Clerk O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant submits that, despite the specific directions issued by the Commission, neither the requisite information nor any reply has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date.

3. The respondent PIO, O/o E.O., M.C., Budhlada, represented by Ms. Rajdeep Kaur, Clerk, submits that, upon examination of the official records, the letter referred to by the appellant is not available in their records. The respondent PIO is directed to submit the aforesaid position in writing before the Commission as well as to the appellant.

4. The respondent PIO, O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab, also submits that the information sought by the appellant is not available in the official records of the department.

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Appeal Case No. 4542 of 2025

5. In view of the submissions made by the respondent PIOs, the respondent PIO, O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab, is directed to file a **duly sworn affidavit**, specifically affirming that the information sought by the appellant is not available in the official records of the department. The affidavit shall clearly indicate the record(s) examined and shall be filed before the Commission before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant.
6. The respondent PIO, O/o E.O., M.C., Budhlada, is exempted from further personal appearance before the Commission, subject to compliance with the direction contained in Para 3 above.
7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 22nd October, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Sh. Kulwinder Singh S/o Sh. Gurnam Singh,
H. No. 38, Village – Shampura,
Tehsil & Distt. – Roopnagar(Punjab)
(9357587050)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Roopnagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
Roopnagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.7683 of 2023

Present : (i) Sh. Kulwinder Singh, the appellant in person.
(ii) None for the respondent PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he visited the office of the respondent PIO for the purpose of inspection of the relevant records. However, despite his visit, no record was made available or shown to him for inspection.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any authorised representative on his behalf is present before the Commission at today's hearing.

4. From the perusal of the case file, it is ascertained that the respondent PIO has not addressed the RTI application within the stipulated time, as prescribed under the RTI Act, 2005, which shows his careless and casual attitude towards the Order of the Commission. Accordingly, the Commission deems it fit to issue this Show Cause Notice.

5. The **respondent PIO O/o Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Roopnagar** is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant. He/she should file a written reply in response to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him for not getting the information. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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Appeal Case No.7683 of 2023

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*.”

6. The **respondent PIO O/o Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Roopnagar**, is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh, along with a written, point wise reply to the RTI application and duly attested copies of all the information requested. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Cc:

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Roopnagar.

(By name) (For compliance)



Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
Romana Street, Jaito, District – Faridkot (Punjab)
(M.9814230616)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Regional Transport Officer,
Bathinda (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1716 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gurtej Singh, A.R.T.O, the respondent PIO (through CISCO Webex)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he visited the office of the respondent PIO for the purpose of inspection of the relevant records. However, despite his visit, no record was made available or shown to him for inspection.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Sh. Gurtej Singh, submits that the information pointed out by the appellant has already been furnished to him.

4. On being asked by the Bench, the appellant declined to receive any document from the respondent PIO. The respondent PIO further submits that the RTI application furnished by the appellant is not legible and, therefore, requests that the appellant be directed to provide a typed and legible copy of the RTI application so that a point-wise response may be furnished.

5. In view of the above, the appellant is directed to provide a typed and legible copy of the RTI application to the respondent PIO. Upon receipt thereof, the respondent PIO shall re-examine the same and furnish a complete and point-wise response, along with the information available on record, in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent PIO is further directed to bring the complete information/record sought by the appellant to the Commission on the next date of hearing for perusal, subject to the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

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Appeal Case No. 1716 of 2025

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 14th September, 2026

Sd/-
(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Sh. Piyush Soni (M.9463439313)
59, Urban Estate, Phagwara,
District Kapurthala.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Phagwara,
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Phagwara,
Kapurthala.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No.249 of 2026

Present: (i) Sh. Piyush Soni, the complainant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 05.12.2025 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed by the complainant in the Commission on 11.06.2026 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e.14.09.2026 by the Commission.

2. The complainant submits that, despite the lapse of more than nine months, no reply or information has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date. He, therefore, requests that appropriate action be taken against the concerned PIO for failure to furnish the requisite response/information within the prescribed period.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation or request seeking exemption from personal appearance has been received from the respondent PIO. Such conduct reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the Notice issued by the Commission.

4. Nevertheless, **one further opportunity** is hereby granted to the respondent PIO to appear personally before the Commission on the next date of hearing and to file a written explanation specifically stating the reasons for non-furnishing of the reply/information to the complainant till date. The respondent PIO shall also ensure that the requisite information/reply, if not already furnished, is brought before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

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Complaint Case No.249 of 2026

5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026



Sh. Piyush Soni (M.9463439313)
59, Urban Estate, Phagwara,
District Kapurthala.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Phagwara,
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Phagwara,
Kapurthala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4707 of 2026

Present: (i) Sh. Piyush Soni, the complainant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 05.12.2025 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 07.01.2026 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.06.2026 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.14.09.2026 by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, despite the lapse of more than nine months, no reply or information has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date. He, therefore, requests that appropriate action be taken against the concerned PIO for failure to furnish the requisite response/information within the prescribed period.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation or request seeking exemption from personal appearance has been received from the respondent PIO. Such conduct reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the Notice issued by the Commission.

4. Nevertheless, **one more opportunity** is granted to the respondent PIO to file a point-wise written reply/information 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.

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Appeal Case No. 4707 of 2026

5. Both the parties are also directed to remain present for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
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Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026



Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
Romana Street, Jaito, District – Faridkot (Punjab)
(M.9814230616)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, **Kurali**,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1718 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate (M.-9876468637) along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he has forwarded a copy of his submission regarding the larger public interest to the respondent PIO as well as to the Commission. A copy of the said submission is also taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Advocate Sh. Gulshan Mehta along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk, submits that they have not received any copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest and requests that a copy thereof may be furnished to them to enable them to submit an appropriate response.

4. In view of the above, a copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest is handed over to the respondent PIO in the open proceedings. The respondent PIO is directed to examine the same and file a **written and reasoned response** to the RTI application, specifically addressing the aspect of larger public interest, before the Commission on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant. Both the parties are also directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, **Kurali**,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1719 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate (M.-9876468637) along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, despite having submitted a written representation dated 04.06.2026 to the respondent, no response or information has been received from the respondent PIO till date.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Advocate Sh. Gulshan Mehta along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk, submits that they have not received any copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest and requests that a copy thereof may be furnished to them to enable them to submit an appropriate response.

4. In view of the above, a copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest is handed over to the respondent PIO in the open proceedings. The respondent PIO is directed to examine the same and file a **written and reasoned response** to the RTI application, specifically addressing the aspect of larger public interest, before the Commission on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant. Both the parties are also directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
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Nagar Council, **Kurali**,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1721 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate (M.-9876468637) along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he has forwarded a copy of his submission regarding the larger public interest to the respondent PIO as well as to the Commission. A copy of the said submission is also taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Advocate Sh. Gulshan Mehta along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk, submits that they have not received any copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest and requests that a copy thereof may be furnished to them to enable them to submit an appropriate response.

4. In view of the above, a copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest is handed over to the respondent PIO in the open proceedings. The respondent PIO is directed to examine the same and file a **written and reasoned response** to the RTI application, specifically addressing the aspect of larger public interest, before the Commission on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant. Both the parties are also directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, **Kurali**,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1722 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate (M.-9876468637) along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he has forwarded a copy of his submission regarding the larger public interest to the respondent PIO as well as to the Commission. A copy of the said submission is also taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Advocate Sh. Gulshan Mehta along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk, submits that they have not received any copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest and requests that a copy thereof may be furnished to them to enable them to submit an appropriate response.

4. In view of the above, a copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest is handed over to the respondent PIO in the open proceedings. The respondent PIO is directed to examine the same and file a **written and reasoned response** to the RTI application, specifically addressing the aspect of larger public interest, before the Commission on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant. Both the parties are also directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 14th September, 2026

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Punjab



Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
Romana Street, Jaito, District – Faridkot (Punjab)
(M.9814230616)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, **Kurali**,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1723 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate (M.-9876468637) along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submits that, in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission at the previous hearing, he has forwarded a copy of his submission regarding the larger public interest to the respondent PIO as well as to the Commission. A copy of the said submission is also taken on record.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Advocate Sh. Gulshan Mehta along with Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Clerk, submits that they have not received any copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest and requests that a copy thereof may be furnished to them to enable them to submit an appropriate response.

4. In view of the above, a copy of the appellant's submission regarding the larger public interest is handed over to the respondent PIO in the open proceedings. The respondent PIO is directed to examine the same and file a **written and reasoned response** to the RTI application, specifically addressing the aspect of larger public interest, before the Commission on or before the next date of hearing, with a copy thereof furnished to the appellant. Both the parties are also directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 12th November, 2026 at 12.00 Noon** for hearing at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate,
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kendra,
Phillaur. (M; 9041004313).

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o General Manager,
Punjab Roadways, Batala.
District Gurdaspur.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Batala, District Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab,
State Transport Commissioner, Sector-17,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3865 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant (through cisco webex)
(ii) None for the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous Order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is present through Cisco Webex. However, owing to a technical glitch, the appellant could not be heard.

3. Neither the respondent PIOs nor any duly authorised representative on their behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation regarding their non-availability has been received by the Commission, nor has any request seeking exemption from personal appearance been submitted by the respondent PIOs, O/o G.M., Punjab Roadways, Batala and Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Batala. The absence of the respondent PIOs without any prior intimation or sufficient cause reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the directions issued by the Commission.

4. Upon perusal of the record, it is observed that the appellant has not complied with the directions issued by the Commission. Further, no specific deficiencies or objections have been received from the appellant in response to the reply furnished by the O/o G.M., Punjab Roadways, Batala vide letter dated 06.02.2026.

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Appeal Case No. 3865 of 2024

5. Nevertheless, in the interest of justice and to afford a final opportunity to both sides, one further opportunity is hereby granted to the respondent PIOs, O/o G.M., Punjab Roadways, Batala and Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Batala, to appear personally before the Commission on the next date of hearing. The respondent PIO O/o Commissioner, M.C, Batala shall also ensure that the requisite information/reply pertaining to point no. 4, if not already furnished to the appellant, is duly brought on record and placed before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

6. The respondent PIO, O/o G.M., Punjab Roadways, Batala, District Gurdaspur, is further directed to file a written reply to the Show Cause Notice already issued vide order dated 12.01.2026, positively before or on the next date of hearing, failing which the matter shall be proceeded with in accordance with law on the basis of the material available on record. All the parties are also directed to remain present in person for deliberations to take the matter to its logical end. Failure to attend the Hearing will compel the Commission to ensure their presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 07th December, 2026 at 12.00 Noon for hearing at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 14th September, 2026



Sh. Manjinder Singh, (M: 9872015069)
#2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125,
Kharar, District Mohali.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3994 of 2024

Present: (i) Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant submitted that despite the specific directions issued by the Commission, no reply or the requisite information has been furnished to him by the respondent PIO till date. The appellant further requested that he be awarded appropriate compensation for the harassment and inconvenience suffered by him on account of the continued non-supply of information.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any duly authorised representative on their behalf is present at today's hearing. No intimation regarding their non-availability has been received by the Commission, nor has any request seeking exemption from personal appearance been submitted by the respondent PIO. The absence of the respondent PIOs without any prior intimation or sufficient cause reflects a casual and non-serious approach towards the proceedings and the directions issued by the Commission.

4. In view of the continued non-compliance and the absence of the respondent PIO, a **fresh bailable warrant** be issued in the name of **Sh. Gurpal Singh, ARTO O/o RTA, Faridkot** directing him to appear **in person** before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with a **detailed point-wise written reply** to the RTI application and the complete relevant record. Failure to comply with these directions shall entail appropriate action under the provisions of the **Right to Information Act, 2005**.

5. Bailable Warrant be issued to ensure the presence of **Sh. Gurpal Singh, ARTO O/o RTA, Faridkot**, at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case. **Sh. Gurpal Singh, ARTO O/o RTA, Faridkot** is also directed to ensure comply with Commission's Order 10.06.2026 without any further delay.

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BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Sh. Manjinder Singh V/s Public Information Officer O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.

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UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 07.12.2026

To

Senior Superintendent of Police,
Faridkot.

Whereas the respondent Public Information Officer-cum-**ARTO Sh. Gurpal Singh O/o RTA, Faridkot** has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this **Bailable Warrant on** Public Information Officer-cum- **ARTO Sh. Gurpal Singh O/o RTA, Faridkot** to appear before Smt. Pooja Gupta, Punjab State Information Commissioner, Chandigarh at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **07.12.2026 at 12.00 Noon** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 10.06.2026 (copy enclosed).

Dated: 14th September, 2026

(Pooja Gupta)
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Enclosed: RTI application and Order dated 10.06.2026