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Sh. Khushal Sharma, S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar,
R/o Near Shani Dev Mandi, Backside Court Complex,
Ward No.7, Mansa. (M.7508002300)

....Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2748 of 2025

Present: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Vivek, Jr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Vivek, Junior Assistant, has placed on record an acknowledgment evidencing receipt of the requisite information by the appellant. A copy of the said acknowledgment is taken on record.
4. In view of the above, no further cause of action is warranted in the instant appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of this order be sent to the parties concerned.

Sd/-

(Pooja Gupta)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 24th September, 2026

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Ms. Madhavi Bedi, D/o Sh. Nivesh Kumar,
Gali Baba Bhag Singh, Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak,
District Gurdaspur. (M.9577442222)
RTI application No.178007.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab,
Sector:35/A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab,
Sector:35/A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2800 of 2025

PRESENT: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Smt. Soma Rani, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent, without intimation for the second successive hearing in the Commission.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Smt. Soma Rani, Sr. Assistant, submits that in compliance with the Orders of the Commission, information/reply has been furnished to the appellant vide letter dated 19.08.2026. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. Upon perusal of the record, it is observed that the appellant has remained absent from the proceedings before the Commission on two successive occasions. In the absence of any representation or objection from the appellant, it is presumed that she is satisfied with the information furnished by the respondent and has no further grievance or submission to make in the matter.

5. In view of the above, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the matter pending. Accordingly, the present appeal is hereby **disposed of and closed** for non-prosecution. Copies of the Order be sent to the parties.

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Sh.Karan Preet Singh, S/o Sh. Prem Singh,
Shop No.7, Khalsa School Market, Tehsil and Distt Jalandhar,
(M.9877726116) RTI application No.171326.

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Sirhind, Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development),
Fatehgarh Sahib.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2859 of 2025

PRESENT: None for the parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, neither the appellant nor the respondent PIO is present before the Commission. Both the parties were also absent at the previous hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

3. In view of the continued non-appearance of the appellant and his failure to pursue the matter despite due opportunity, it appears that the appellant is no longer interested in pursuing the instant appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is hereby **dismissed for non-prosecution**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Simranjit Singh, S/o Sh. Jagdish Singh,
#93/2, Adarsh Nagar, Jalandhar-1
(M.9815481025) RTI application No.164083.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Kurali, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development),
Mohali.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2911 of 2025

PRESENT: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Sukhbeer Singh, Clerk along with Sh. Varinder Bhatnagar, Clerk on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission for the second successive hearing. A copy of the Commission's Order dated 14.07.2026 has been received back with the postal remarks of the postal authority stating "DECEASED".

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Sukhbeer Singh, Clerk, along with Sh. Varinder Bhatnagar, Clerk, has brought the requisite information to the Commission today. A copy of the same is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, no further cause of action survives in the instant appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of this order be sent to the parties concerned.

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Sh. Sanjeev Manhas, Advocate,
S/o Sh. Sawan Singh, Vilalge Nihalpur,
Tehsil and District Pathankot.
(M.9417500807) RTI application No.168861.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Sujanpur, Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development),
Pathankot.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2922 of 2025

PRESENT: None for the parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, neither the appellant nor the respondent PIO is present before the Commission. It is also observed that both the parties remained absent at the previous hearing as well, without any intimation to the Commission.

3. During the last hearing, the appellant was directed to collect the requisite information from the Commission Office. However, at today's hearing, the appellant has neither appeared before the Commission nor collected the information as directed.

4. In view of the aforesaid circumstances, no further proceedings are warranted in the matter. Accordingly, the instant case is hereby **disposed of and closed**. The appellant is directed to collect the requisite information from the Commission Office on any working day during office hours. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Vishal Gaur, Advocate,
Room No.16, New Bar Complex,
Punjab and Haryana High Court,
Chandigarh.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab,
Sector:35/A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2957of 2025

PRESENT: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Amrit Lal, PIO-cum-E.O, the respondent (through cisco webex)

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without intimation for the second successive hearing in the Commission.

3. The respondent PIO Sh. Amrit Lal, E.O submits that the information requisite information has already been furnished to the appellant vide letter dated 27.07.2026. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. Upon perusal of the record, it is observed that the appellant has remained absent from the proceedings before the Commission on two successive occasions. In the absence of any representation or objection from the appellant, it is presumed that she is satisfied with the information furnished by the respondent and has no further grievance or submission to make in the matter.

5. In view of the above, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the matter pending. Accordingly, the present appeal is hereby **disposed of and closed** for non-prosecution. Copies of the Order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Amit Kakkar, Advocate, S/o Sh. Sunil Kumar,
Chamber No.24, Civil Courts Complex, Jalalabad West,
District Fazilka. (M.9781820202) RTI application No.158965.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab,
Sector:34/ A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab,
Sector:34/ A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2997 of 2025

Present: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission. It is observed that the appellant has remained absent for the second consecutive hearing.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Senior Assistant, submits that, till date, the appellant has not specified the exact information sought by him. She further submits that, upon perusal of the RTI application, the information sought is not specific and, therefore, it is not feasible for the department to furnish the same in its present form.

4. During the last hearing, the appellant was directed to specify the information sought by him so as to enable the respondent PIO to furnish the requisite information. However, at today's hearing, the appellant has neither appeared before the Commission nor submitted any written clarification in compliance with the aforesaid directions. The continued absence of the appellant and his failure to comply with the directions of the Commission indicate a lack of diligence in pursuing the matter.

5. Accordingly, no further proceedings are warranted in the matter, and the instant case is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh, H.No.458,
Street No.2, Adjoining Steet No.15/2 L,
Krishna Nagar, Khanna, District Ludhiana.
(M.9464500405) RTI application No.140377.

..Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Council,
Khanna, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Municipal Council,
Khanna, District Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.1003 of 2025

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is again absent without any intimation to the Commission.

3. Neither the respondent PIO nor any authorised representative on his behalf is present at today's hearing. However, an email dated 24.09.2026 has been received from the respondent PIO, wherein it has been stated that the appellant has failed to comply with the directions issued by the Commission vide order dated 15.07.2026. It has further been submitted that, till date, the appellant has neither filed any submission demonstrating the larger public interest involved in seeking the information nor otherwise complied with the aforesaid directions. The respondent PIO has, therefore, requested that the matter be closed.

4. During the last hearing, the appellant was absent and was directed to file his rebuttal to the written submissions of the respondent PIO and to demonstrate the larger public interest involved in seeking the information under the RTI Act, with a copy thereof to the respondent PIO, on or before the next date of hearing. However, at today's hearing, the appellant has neither appeared before the Commission nor submitted any written response or rebuttal in compliance with the aforesaid directions. The repeated absence of the appellant and his failure to comply with the specific directions issued by the Commission indicate that he is not pursuing the matter with due diligence.

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Appeal Case No.1003 of 2025

5. In view of the aforesaid circumstances, no further proceedings are warranted in the matter. Accordingly, the instant case is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Anubhav Khanna, S/o Sh. Maharaj Saran Khanna,
653, Sector:05, Thanesar, District Kurukshetra,
(M.7404981653) RTI application No.162015.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (UD),
Fazilka.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2267 of 2025

Present: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Hardeep Singh, Senior Fire Officer on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission.
3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Hardeep Singh, Senior Fire Officer, submits that the requisite information has been furnished to the appellant at his email address, anubhav.khanna.dce@gmail.com, on 23.09.2026. A hard copy of the information furnished has also been taken on record. He further submits that no further information remains pending to be furnished to the appellant.
4. The appellant has remained absent at today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission. His continued absence, coupled with the fact that the requisite information has already been furnished to him, indicates that he has no further grievance and does not intend to pursue the matter any further.
5. In view of the above, no further action is warranted in the matter. Accordingly, the instant case is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 24th September, 2026

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Sh. Vikram Vaid, (M.9855032897)
H.No.1527, Gali No.2 Bagh Rama Nand,
Amritsar.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Panchayat, Mehatpur,
District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban Development),
Jalandhar.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.1980 of 2025

Present: (i) Sh. Vikram Vaid, the appellant (through cisco webex)
(ii) Sh. Nirdosh Kumar, Inspector along with Sh. Satnam Lal, Clerk on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This Order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant submits that he received a point-wise reply from the respondent PIO only yesterday. He further submits that he has already communicated the deficiencies noticed in the said reply to the respondent in writing vide his communication dated 24.09.2026.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Nirdosh Kumar, Inspector, along with Sh. Satnam Lal, Clerk, submits that the information available on the official record has already been furnished to the appellant. They further submit that the same subject matter is also pending for final adjudication before the Double Bench comprising Hon'ble State Information Commissioner Sh. Virinderjit Singh Billing and Hon'ble State Information Commissioner Sh. Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal.

4. Upon careful perusal of the case file and the submissions made by the parties, it is observed that the subject matter involved in the present appeal is substantially connected with and overlaps with the matter already pending for final adjudication before the aforesaid Double Bench.

5. In order to avoid parallel proceedings and the possibility of conflicting or inconsistent orders on the same subject matter, it is considered appropriate that the present appeal be transferred and be placed before the concerned Double Bench for further proceedings and final adjudication.

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Appeal Case No.1980 of 2025

6. Accordingly, the complete case file of the present appeal be sent to the Registry Branch to be putup before the Hon'ble CIC for consideration and further necessary action in accordance with law, as he deems appropriate.

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Deputy Registrar/PSIC along with original case (comprising 56 pages)

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Sh. Gurpreet Singh, S/o Sh. Karnail Singh,
Bhullarheri, Tehsil Dhuri, District Sangrur.
(M.8283848898) RTI application No.169545.

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab, Sector:35/A,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Local Govt., Punjab, Sector:35/A,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2896 of 2025

Present: (i) The appellant is absent.
(ii) Sh. Gurparteeek Singh Goel, Sr. Assistant (Establishment Branch) along with Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the respondent PIO.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.07.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. At today's hearing, the appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission. It is observed that the appellant has remained absent for the second consecutive hearing.

3. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Gurparteeek Singh Goel, Senior Assistant (Establishment Branch), has filed a written submission in compliance with the directions issued by the Commission. It is stated therein that the information sought regarding the posts of Sanitary Supervisors pertains to the non-provincialized cadre and that the appointment to such posts is made by the respective Municipal Councils and Municipal Corporations in the State of Punjab. It is further submitted that there are 161 Municipal Councils/Municipal Corporations, each having its own designated PIO, and that the appellant may seek the requisite information directly from the concerned local body/department. A copy of the written submission has been taken on record. The respondent further submits that the said reply has already been conveyed to the appellant.

4. In view of the aforesaid position, the appellant is advised to approach the concerned Municipal Council/Municipal Corporation, as per his specific requirement, and file a fresh RTI application before the concerned PIO for obtaining the requisite information. The appellant has remained absent for the second

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Appeal Case No.2896 of 2025

consecutive hearing without any intimation to the Commission. In view of the reply furnished by the respondent PIO and the appellant's continued non-appearance, it appears that the appellant has no further grievance with regard to the present proceedings and does not intend to pursue the matter further.

5. In view of the foregoing, no further cause of action survives in the instant appeal case. Accordingly, the same is hereby **disposed of and closed**. Copies of this order be sent to the parties concerned.

Dated: 24th September, 2026

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