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Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
R/o Romana Street, Jaito, Distt Faridkot.
(M: 9814230616)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Sector – 35A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Sector – 35A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7368 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
17.08.2023	----	11.09.2023	---=-	07.11.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Gurpartee Singh Gosal (M: 9023901137), Senior Assistant (in person in the Commission)

ORDER (4th Hearing):

1. **This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order dated 11.06.2026**, whereby the respondent/PIO was granted a final opportunity to file a comprehensive point-wise written reply along with supporting documents and to ensure compliance of the directions contained therein.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. **The hearing is also being conducted through Cisco Webex.** Despite the facility of appearing through video conferencing, the **appellant has remained absent.** However, e-mails received from the appellant have been taken on record, wherein he has, inter alia, requested transfer of the case to another Bench. The Commission has already considered the said request and finds **no legally sustainable ground warranting transfer of the case.**
3. The Commission has perused the reply and the material placed on record. The respondent has **complied with the directions contained in the last order** by furnishing a point-wise response to the RTI queries along with the relevant documents. The reply is found to be **appropriate and responsive to the information sought under the RTI Act, 2005.**
4. Since the respondent has now complied with the directions of the Commission and no further effective direction survives for consideration in the matter, the Commission finds no justification for keeping the case pending.
5. Accordingly, the Commission is of the considered view that the matter has attained its logical conclusion. **The case is hereby DISPOSED OF.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh
30.09.2026

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP),
Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police (DIG),
Faridkot Range, Faridkot.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6929 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
04.08.2023	----	01.09.2023	----	23.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Lakhwinder Singh (M: 9463722631), O/o SSP, Faridkot

ORDER:

1. **This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order**, whereby the appellant was granted an opportunity to file a rejoinder to the respondent's reply and to specifically point out the deficiencies, if any, in the information furnished.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. **The hearing is also being conducted through Cisco Webex.** The appellant is absent for the **second consecutive hearing.** Though the appellant has been provided the facility of appearing through video conferencing, he has not appeared before the Commission. The e-mails received from the appellant, including his request for transfer of the case to another Bench, are taken on record.
3. The Commission has considered the appellant's request for transfer and finds **no legally sustainable ground warranting transfer of the present case to another Bench.** Accordingly, the request for transfer is not accepted.
4. **Sh. Lakhwinder Singh**, representing the office of SSP, Faridkot, is present and submits that no rejoinder or further submission has been received from the appellant pursuant to the previous order of the Commission. He requests that the matter be closed. The written submission furnished by the PIO, SSP, Faridkot, vide **Letter Ref. No. 25600 dated 27.08.2026**, containing the relevant details, is taken on record.
5. The Commission has perused the material available on record, including the aforesaid written submission. It is observed that the respondent has placed his stand and relevant details on record, whereas the appellant, despite being granted an opportunity to respond, has neither appeared before the Commission nor filed any rejoinder pointing out any specific deficiency in the response of the respondent.
6. In the absence of any specific objection or deficiency having been brought on record by the appellant, and considering the material presently available before the Commission, **no further effective direction survives for consideration in the matter.** The Commission is, therefore, of the considered view that the matter has attained its logical conclusion.
7. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISPOSED OF** on the basis of the material available on record.

Sd/-

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V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer (EO),
Municipal Council, Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6930 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
04.08.2023	----	01.09.2023	----	23.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Naib Singh (M: 9872222109), Inspector

ORDER:

1. **This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order dated 30.06.2026.**
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. **The hearing is also being conducted through Cisco Webex.** The appellant is absent for the **second consecutive hearing.** Despite being provided an opportunity to appear through video conferencing, the appellant has failed to appear before the Commission. The e-mails received from the appellant, including the request for transfer of the case to another Bench, are taken on record.
3. The respondent, represented by **Sh. Naib Singh, Inspector**, is present and submits that **no rejoinder or further submission has been received from the appellant in compliance with the previous order.**
4. The Commission has considered the material available on record. Vide the previous order dated 30.06.2026, the appellant was specifically granted a final opportunity to respond to the point-wise reply already furnished by the respondent vide **Letter No. 575 dated 24.06.2026.** However, the appellant has neither appeared before the Commission nor filed any rejoinder pointing out any specific deficiency in the said reply.
5. The Commission further observes that the appellant's request for transfer of the case to another Bench has already been considered in the previous order and **no legally sustainable ground for such transfer has been established.** The said request, therefore, does not call for any further consideration.
6. In view of the respondent's reply already placed on record, the appellant's failure to avail the final opportunity granted by the Commission, and absence of any specific deficiency having been pointed out by the appellant, **no further effective direction survives for consideration in the matter.** The Commission is accordingly of the considered view that the matter may be concluded on the basis of the material available on record.
7. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISPOSED OF.** No further opportunity is considered necessary.

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V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer (EO),
Municipal Council, Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6931 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
04.08.2023	----	01.09.2023	----	23.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Naib Singh (M: 9872222109), Inspector

ORDER:

1. **This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order dated 30.06.2026.**
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. **The hearing is also being conducted through Cisco Webex.** The appellant is absent for the **second consecutive hearing.** Despite being provided an opportunity to appear through video conferencing, the appellant has failed to appear before the Commission. The e-mails received from the appellant, including the request for transfer of the case to another Bench, are taken on record.
3. The respondent, represented by **Sh. Naib Singh, Inspector**, is present and submits that **no rejoinder or further submission has been received from the appellant in compliance with the previous order.**
4. The Commission has considered the material available on record. Vide the previous order dated 30.06.2026, the appellant was specifically granted a final opportunity to respond to the point-wise reply already furnished by the respondent vide **Letter No. 577 dated 24.06.2026.** However, the appellant has neither appeared before the Commission nor filed any rejoinder pointing out any specific deficiency in the said reply.
5. The Commission further observes that the appellant's request for transfer of the case to another Bench has already been considered in the previous order and **no legally sustainable ground for such transfer has been established.** The said request, therefore, does not call for any further consideration.
6. In view of the respondent's reply already placed on record, the appellant's failure to avail the final opportunity granted by the Commission, and absence of any specific deficiency having been pointed out by the appellant, **no further effective direction survives for consideration in the matter.** The Commission is accordingly of the considered view that the matter may be concluded on the basis of the material available on record.
7. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISPOSED OF.** No further opportunity is considered necessary.

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603, Westwood Society, GH3B, Sector- 23,
Panchkula- 134117 (M: 9978007220, 9056794774)
RTI Application No 210542

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Election Officer,
(Block A, Mini Secretariat Patiala)
Patiala

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.1279 of 2026
(Through CISCO Webex)

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
29.08.2025	----	29.09.2025	----	30.01.2026

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Smt. Parminder Kaur (M: 9041376904), Clerk

ORDER (2nd Hearing):

1. The appellant filed the above-mentioned appeal case before the Commission, which is fixed for hearing today.
2. The appellant is absent. However, he intimated the Commission on call that he has **received the information from the PIO** and requested that the case may be closed.
3. **Smt. Parminder Kaur, Clerk**, appeared on behalf of the respondent.
4. In view of the statement made by the appellant regarding receipt of the requisite information and his request for closure of the case, **no further cause survives for adjudication.**
5. Accordingly, the appeal case is **DISPOSED OF.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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