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ShHarmesh Singh, (M-9501338846)
S/o Sh Chet Singh,
R/o Village Ahmed dandi, Mamdot,
Tehsil- Guruharsahai, Distt Ferozepur-152022

…… Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Mamdot, DisttFerozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur ……Respondent

AC No.1244of 2025
AC No.838 of 2025
ALONGWITH
AC No.640of 2025

Present : (i) Sh.Harmesh Singh the appellant
(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant Sh. Harmesh Singh states that incomplete information has been given to him so far. He further states that he has already sent deficiencies to the respondent. Respondent is absent today. He has sent an email vide which he has sought another date. Considering the request of the respondent one last and final opportunity is given to the respondent to appear before the Commission and state his case. He may take note that this is the last opportunity given to him to appear before the Commission and state his case, failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated. To come up on **17.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
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Date :28.10.2026

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rem Singh, S/o Sh. Veer Singh, (M : 9417116773)
Village MandiHazoor Singh,
PO KarniKhera, Tehsil &DisttFazilka. Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner(D),
Fazilka.

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

APPEAL CASE NO. 5116 OF 2023

Present : (i) ShPrem Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent- ShSandeep Kumar, APO (84274-22023)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2026 passed by the Commission in this case.

2. The appellant states that the information has not been provided to him.

3. The respondent states that the appellant may inspect the relevant record in their office on any working day and obtain the information.

4. In view of the above, the appellant is directed to inspect the relevant record in the O/o respondent. Today, both the parties present had mutually agreed that the Appellant can inspect the relevant record in the O/o Respondent on 30.11.2026 at 11:00 AM, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him and the Respondent shall provide copies thereof, according to the RTI Application.

5. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on 27.01.2027 at 11:30AM in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Sh. AnkitSehgal, C/o Bombay Studio Near Main
Post office Chowk, Pathankot — Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC, Dinanagar

First Appellate Authority,
O/o ADC (UD) Gurdaspur — Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5507 OF 2023

Present : (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- None

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. Today both the parties are not present. Both the parties have sent their respective requests seeking an adjournment, stating that they are unable to attend the hearing today and requesting that the matter be listed for the next date of hearing. To come up on **27.01.2027 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh, R/o Guru Nanak
Nagar,PORamgarh, Distt.Ludhiana - 141010 Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Joint Sub Registrar
Koomkalan, Distt.Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM (East),Distt.Ludhiana Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4994 of 2025

Present : (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.09.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. Today the appellant states that no information has been given to him so far. Respondent is absent today. A careful perusal of the case file shows that the respondent is absent today for fourth consecutive hearing. After hearing the appellant and perusing the documents placed on record, the Bench is of the view that the submissions filed by the respondent for the delay in providing the information are not found to be satisfactory. Respondent may take note that the RTI Act 2005 is meant for promoting transparency in governmental functioning by bringing to light governmental actions done behind closed doors so that the common man is kept well informed of the goings on in the public authorities with a view to strengthening democracy. The RTI Act 2005 is not to be used as a substitute for availing of services available under various statutes for matters not involving the bringing to light the mannerism of / flaws in the working of public authority. In view of above, the court comes to a logical conclusion that the appellant is entitled to be compensated under Section 19(8)(b**) of** RTI Act 2005 for the loss and detriment suffered by him. In the circumstances, the commission is of the view that ends of justice would be met if a sum of **Rs.2000/- (Rupees Two Thousand Only)** is awarded to the Appellant as compensation. This amount shall be payable by the Respondent from the State exchequer within fifteen days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.

3. To come up on **20.01.2027 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-
(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :28.10.2026

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Sh. Balwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Mahil Singh,
R/oVillagePeereKe Uttar, Tehsil Jalalabad (West),
DisttFazilka. Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Guruharsahai,
DisttFerozepur

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur. Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 383 OF 2024

Present : (i) Sh.Balwinder Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.09.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. Today the appellant Sh. Balwinder Singh submitted that the information sought regarding Map had not been provided to him, while the remaining information had been received but was incomplete. The respondent did not appear before the Commission; however, an acknowledgement of receipt by the appellant was submitted by the respondent.

3. Keeping in view the submissions made by the appellant, the appellant is directed to specifically identify and point out the deficiencies in the information provided. The respondent is directed to provide the complete information sought by the appellant, including the information relating to Map, before the next date of hearing. To come up on **01.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :28.10.2026

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Sh.Satish Bahadur, Advocate
Chamber No.121-122, District Court complex
Fazilka – 152123 Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN PWD B&R, Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
O/o SE Construction Circle,
PWD B&R, FerozepurCantt

Respondents

COMPLAINT CASE NO.66 of 2025

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.09.2026 passed by the Commission vide which Rs. 25000/- penalty was imposed on the respondent –PIO.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. Since both the parties are not present hence taking a lenient view **one last and final opportunity** is given to them to appear before the Commission and state his case. To come up on **01.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :28.10.2026

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ShMohinder Pal, Ex Asstt Commandant BSI,
H. No 36/2, Model Town,
Dinanagar, Distt Gurdaspur-143531
(M-9877103550) ..... Appellant

Public Information Officer, **.Vs**
O/o DC, Gurdaspur

First Appellate Authority
O/o DC, Gurdaspur .....Respondent

AC No.3358of 2024

Present : (i) Sh.Mohinder Pal the appellant
(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant Sh.Mohinder Pal submits that the deficient information has not been supplied to him by the respondent till date. However, the respondent is absent today and has neither appeared before the Commission nor submitted any explanation regarding his absence. Therefore, the commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act , 2005, to PIO , O/o DC, Gurdaspur as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby 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 note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

3. To come up on 23.12.2026 at 11:30 AM for further proceedings through video conference facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur . Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
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