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FINAL ORDER

Shri Nishant Gupta, (62807-55899)

S/o Shri Anil Kumar Gupta,
R/o # 7 A, Kaale Sonu di Hatti, Jawahar Market,
P.O Partap Nagar, Nangal Dam, Distt Rupnagar - 140125
RTI Application No. 90542

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Rupnagar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Rupnagar.

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 377 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Ms. Jimmy, Clerk (77176-44436) and
Ms. Gurmeet Kaur, Clerk (99153-78670)

ORDER:

The application dated **19.09.2023** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **28.10.2023** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant is absent. However, an email dated 02.03.2026 has been received from the complainant mentioning therein that he has received the requested information and does not want to pursue the case, the same is taken on record.

4. Since, the complainant has received the information and is satisfied, no further cause of action is left, therefore, the above said complaint case filed by the complainant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

Sd/-
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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Ms. Neena Gupta, (98550-14101)
1410, Phase 1, Urban Estate,
Durgi Road, Ludhiana - 141013

....**Complainant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal,
Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Engine Shed,
Ludhiana.

Regd. Post
Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o District Education Officer (SS),
Ludhiana.

Encl. RTI application

....**Respondents**

Complaint CASE NO. 380 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **09.05.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **26.09.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 380 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o District Education Officer (SS), Ludhiana**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if she is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Mahant Amardeep Singh, (73071-65600)

S/o Shri Channan Singh,
R/o 1529/12, Gali Karam Singh Chowk Krori,
Tehsil & Distt Amritsar.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Astt. Town Planner, MC,
Amritsar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC,
Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 391 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **23.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **11.10.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 391 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Commissioner, MC, Amritsar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Kuldeep Singh Matharu, (94178-75548)

S/o Shri Amar Singh,
R/o Village Mattaur, Tehsil Anandpur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Anandpur Sahib,
Distt Rupnagar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM, Anandpur Sahib,
District Rupnagar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 397 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **08.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **01.10.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 397 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o SDM, Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Jagtar Singh, (80540-11331)
14, Near Bibi Da Gurudwara,
Mohalla Sodian, Moga - 142001

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DPI (SE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Regd. Post
Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o DPI (SE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 399 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **05.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **24.10.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 399 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o DPI (SE), Punjab, Mohali**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Ms. Anita Menon, (99152-55352)

D/o Shri Mangat Ram,
16, Ram Nagar, Kangra Colony,
Amritsar – 143001

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DAV College of Education for Women,
Amritsar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:

First Appellate Authority

O/o Principal, DAV College of Education for Women,
Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 404 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Ms. Anita Menon, (99152-55352) accompanied by her
advocate Shri Rajan Sharma
Respondent: Shri Maninderjit Singh, Assistant professor (87259-83200)

ORDER:

The application dated **16.10.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **21.10.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant states that she is not satisfied with the information supplied by the respondent. Further, she states that it is imperative for her to obtain the information sought in this RTI application.

4. As the complainant is interested to collect/get the sought information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 404 OF 2024

5. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Principal, DAV College of Education for Women, Amritsar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

6. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if she is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

Sd/-
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FINAL ORDER

Shri Tajinder Bhalla, (97811-97933)

Ms. (Ortho), Mohalla Azad Nagar, Near Bhatti Medical Hall,
Shahkot, Distt Jalandhar - 144702

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Punjab State Information Commission,
Chandigarh.

....Respondent

Complaint CASE NO. 417 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Sudhir Kumar, PIO-cum-SO (94643-95148)

ORDER:

The application dated **08.01.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **08.11.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO-cum-SO, Shri Sudhir Kumar, states that the reply has already been sent to the complainant. Further, he states that the information sought by the complainant through his RTI application does not pertain to his office.

3. The complainant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The complainant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, the Commission is of the considered opinion that the respondent has provided appropriate and permissible reply to the complainant. The complainant is directed to file a fresh RTI application to the concerned PIO, to seek the requisite information.

5. Keeping in view of the above, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is left in this case. Hence, this case is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Karanjit Singh,
S/o Shri Paramjit Singh,
R/o # 1377 B, Street No. 3, New Pratap Nagar,
G.T Road, Tehsil & Distt Amritsar.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DC, Amritsar.

Regd. Post
Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o DC, Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 434 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurbaj Singh, Patwari (96536-04006) and
Shri Jaspal Singh, Patwari (88100-00028)

ORDER:

The application dated **24.09.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **02.12.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the complainant. The complainant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The complainant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 434 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o DC, Amritsar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Gian Singh, (98033-19307)

(Retd. Supdt Grade - 2), Ward No. 13,
Street No. 4, Near One Way Traffic Road,
Mansa.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (SE),
Mansa.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o DPI (SE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 437 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Shri Gian Singh, (98033-19307)
Respondent: Shri Paramjit Singh, Deputy DEO (83602-78198),
Shri Harish Kumar, SA (94177-29774), and
Shri Satvir Singh, English Master (98722-13312)

ORDER:

The application dated **08.07.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **28.11.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant states that he has received partial information from the respondent. Further, he states that it is imperative for him to obtain the information sought in this RTI application.

4. As the complainant is interested to collect/get the sought information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 437 OF 2024

5. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o DPI (SE), Punjab, Mohali**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

6. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Makhan Singh, (99151-69047)

S/o Shri Jagir Singh,
Village Bika, Distt S.B.S Nagar.

....**Complainant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Deputy Director,
Rehabilitation Department,
Jalandhar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o Divisional Commissioner,
Jalandhar.

Encl. RTI application

....**Respondents**

Complaint CASE NO. 444 OF 2024

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **03.06.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **16.12.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. The perusal of the case file shows that the notice of hearing sent to the complainant was received back in the Commission office by the postal authorities as “undelivered”.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 444 OF 2024

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Divisional Commissioner, Jalandhar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Sher Singh, (80542-53454)

S/o Shri Bakshi Ram,
R/o 2027, Street No. 2, Chaudhary Hari Singh Nagar,
Jora Phatak, Amritsar.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC,
Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 1 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **23.11.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **19.12.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 1 OF 2025

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Commissioner, MC, Amritsar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Raj Kumar, (98552-16071)

(Retd. Ass. Prof.), Ward No. 6, Main Bazar,
Umar, Tanda umar, Distt Hoshiarpur - 144204

....**Complainant**

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Higher Education, Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Higher Education, Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Encl. RTI application

....**Respondents**

Complaint CASE NO. 2 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **12.10.2023** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **23.12.2024** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 2 OF 2025

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o Director, Higher Education, Punjab, Mohali**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Narinder Kumar, (78371-55786)

S/o Shri Sardari Lal,
2361/12, Gali No. 4, Kishan Kot Islamabad,
Amritsar.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Ajnala,
Distt Amritsar.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM, Ajnala,
District Amritsar.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 34 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **19.04.2023** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **29.01.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 34 OF 2025

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o SDM, Ajnala, District Amritsar**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Nachhattar Singh, (75890-29756)

S/o Shri Mukhtiar Singh,
Deviwala Road, Street No. 1, Kotakpura,
Faridkot.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (EE),
Faridkot.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (EE),
Faridkot.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 36 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Shri Nachhattar Singh, (75890-29756)
Respondent: Shri Bablu Singh, Clerk (62836-94337)

ORDER:

The application dated **03.09.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **06.02.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the sought information has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent. Further, he states that it is imperative for him to obtain the information sought in this RTI application.

4. As the complainant is interested to collect/get the sought information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 36 OF 2025

5. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o DEO (EE), Faridkot**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

6. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER

Shri Gurinder Singh Makha, (94173-11808)

Advocate, S/o Shri Bhagwan Singh,
R/o Ward No. 12, Bareta, C/o Chamber No. 39,
Judicial Court Complex, Budhlada, Distt Mansa.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (SE),
Mohali.

....Respondent

Complaint CASE NO. 42 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Paramjit Singh, Deputy DEO (83602-78198),
Shri Harish Kumar, SA (94177-29774), and
Shri Satvir Singh, English Master (98722-13312)

ORDER:

The application dated **18.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **14.02.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Paramjit Singh, Deputy DEO, Shri Harish Kumar, SA, and Shri Satvir Singh, English Master, are present in person at Commission office.

3. The complainant is absent. However, a letter has been received from the complainant vide Commission diary no. 4648 dated 02.03.2026 mentioning therein that he does not wish to pursue the case and wants to withdraw his present complaint case.

4. Accordingly, the case is **disposed of and closed** as withdrawn. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER

Shri Gurinder Singh Makha, (94173-11808)

Advocate, S/o Shri Bhagwan Singh,
R/o Ward No. 12, Bareta, C/o Chamber No. 39,
Judicial Court Complex, Budhlada, Distt Mansa.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (EE),
Mohali.

....Respondent

Complaint CASE NO. 43 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Paramdeep Singh, Clerk (98785-11881)

ORDER:

The application dated **18.08.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **14.02.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Paramdeep Singh, Clerk, states that the sought information has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant is absent. However, a letter has been received from the complainant vide Commission diary no. 4649 dated 02.03.2026 mentioning therein that he has received the sought information from the respondent and is satisfied with the same.

4. Since, the complainant is satisfied with the provided information therefore, no further cause of action is left. Therefore, the complaint case filed by the complainant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

Sd/-
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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Deepak Vashisht, (94642-26168)

S/o Shri Darshan Vashisht,
R/o New Pratap Colony, Samana,
Distt Patiala.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Revenue, Rehabilitation and Disaster Management,
Punjab Civil Sectt. Chandigarh.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o FCR, Punjab Civil Sectt.
Chandigarh.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 52 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gagandeep Singh, SA (99887-20997)

ORDER:

The application dated **12.09.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **17.02.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the complainant. A copy of the same is taken on record. The complainant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent, which seems his absence is intentional and willful. The complainant has not submitted any written submission and nor has he opted to be present at today's hearing.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 52 OF 2025

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o FCR, Punjab Civil Sectt. Punjab, Chandigarh**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Shri Gurnam Singh, (98144-57136)

S/o Shri Aatma Singh,
Village Sarhala, P.O Garhdiwala,
Tehsil Dasuya Distt Hoshiarpur.

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o FCR,
Punjab Civil Sectt. Chandigarh.

Regd. Post

Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o FCR,
Punjab Civil Sectt. Chandigarh.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 67 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Parveen Mehta, Superintendent (88375-65124)

ORDER:

The application dated **11.09.2023** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **10.03.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. The respondent PIO, represented by Shri Parveen Mehta, Superintendent, states that the reply has already been sent to the complainant.

3. The complainant is absent. However, a letter has been received from the complainant vide Commission diary no. 4525 dated 27.02.2026 mentioning therein that he has not received sought information from the respondent till date. Further, he mentioned that it is imperative for him to obtain the information sought in this RTI application.

4. As the complainant is interested to collect/get the sought information. It is appropriate to mention that Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 67 OF 2025

5. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o FCR, Punjab Civil Sectt. Chandigarh**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

6. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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FINAL ORDER REMAND BACK TO FAA

Dr. Jagmohan Singh Raju, (96297-78899)
(I.A.S Retd.) # 315, Ground Floor,
Sector - 35 A, Chandigarh – 160022

....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DPI (EE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

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Remanded Back to:
First Appellate Authority
O/o DPI (EE), Punjab,
Phase – 8, Mohali.

Encl. RTI application

....Respondents

Complaint CASE NO. 104 OF 2025

PRESENT: Complainant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The application dated **23.12.2024** vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on **21.04.2025** under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **03.03.2026**.

2. Today neither the complainant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. It is also a fact that notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post in spite of that, they are absent.

3. After going through the file, it is observed that this is the complaint case. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787 – 10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP © No.32768- 32769/2010) Chief Information Commissioner and another Vs. State of Manipur and another, in Para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

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Complaint CASE NO. 104 OF 2025

4. Since, an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal is available to the complainant who is interested in getting the information, accordingly, without going into the merits of the case, the case is remanded back to the **First Appellate Authority i.e. O/o DPI (EE), Punjab, Mohali**, to take appropriate decision in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within the prescribed timeline, after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned by passing a speaking order.

5. With these directions, the case is **disposed of and closed**. However, the liberty is granted to the complainant to file second appeal, if he is not satisfied/does not receive the decision of the First Appellate Authority. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 03.03.2026

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