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....Appellant

**Versus**

**Shri Tirath Singh, JA (94647-45370),**  
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Patiala.

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**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o Secretary,**  
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....Respondents

## **APPEAL CASE NO. 2347 OF 2022**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **07.11.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The Respondent submits that official letters have been issued to the custodians of the information, namely Shri Tirath Singh (JA), Shri Rajesh Sharma (Clerk), and Shri Charanjit Singh Taneja (Clerk), directing them to provide the requested information to the appellant.

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“Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a lesson and in my view, they are unfit to hold the post of Public Information Officer or any other post in connection with the discharge of duties under RTI Act and they should be shown the doors, so that it will be a lesson for other Officers to act in accordance with the terms of the Act, failing which they may also face the similar or more consequences.”

5. Shri Tirath Singh (JA), Shri Rajesh Sharma (Clerk), Shri Charanjit Singh Taneja (Clerk), and Shri Sher Singh (SA), are directed to attend the next hearing of this appeal case in person along with a written reply and attested copies of the requested information therein. They are directed to submit a written explanation for the long delay in addressing this RTI application. This must be done in 10 working days of this hearing. Failure to comply, will compel the Commission, to initiate penal action as per the RTI Act, 2005.

6. A copy of this order is being sent to the, **Ms. Poonam Kaur, PCS, RTO Patiala**, to ensure the presence of all the concerned respondents and compliance report in regard to the Commission's Order, on the next date of hearing. **Shri Varun Roojam, Principal Secretary, Department of Transport, Punjab**, is hereby also advised to review all such cases under their charge and get the same complied with at the earliest.

7. **To come up on 28.09.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 04.08.2026

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 5320 OF 2022**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

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4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and a perusal of the case file, it is revealed that the appellant filed the RTI application dated 14.02.2022. The PIO has still not provided the information to the appellant after a delay of approximately four years, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime.

“Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a lesson and in my view, they are unfit to hold the post of Public Information Officer or any other post in connection with the discharge of duties under RTI Act and they should be shown the doors, so that it will be a lesson for other Officers to act in accordance with the terms of the Act, failing which they may also face the similar or more consequences.”

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 5427 OF 2022

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

### **ORDER:**

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4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and a perusal of the case file, it is revealed that the appellant filed the RTI application dated 14.02.2022. The PIO has still not provided the information to the appellant after a delay of approximately four years, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime.

“Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a lesson and in my view, they are unfit to hold the post of Public Information Officer or any other post in connection with the discharge of duties under RTI Act and they should be shown the doors, so that it will be a lesson for other Officers to act in accordance with the terms of the Act, failing which they may also face the similar or more consequences.”

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 1486 OF 2023**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 1486 OF 2023

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and a perusal of the case file, it is revealed that the appellant filed the RTI application dated 14.02.2022. The PIO has still not provided the information to the appellant after a delay of approximately four years, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime.

“Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a lesson and in my view, they are unfit to hold the post of Public Information Officer or any other post in connection with the discharge of duties under RTI Act and they should be shown the doors, so that it will be a lesson for other Officers to act in accordance with the terms of the Act, failing which they may also face the similar or more consequences.”

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 1487 OF 2023

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Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 1488 OF 2023**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 3242 OF 2023

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Sher Singh, SA (98760-24728)

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **07.11.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The Respondent submits that official letters have been issued to the custodians of the information, namely Shri Tirath Singh (JA), Shri Rajesh Sharma (Clerk), and Shri Charanjit Singh Taneja (Clerk), directing them to provide the requested information to the appellant.

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4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and a perusal of the case file, it is revealed that the appellant filed the RTI application dated 14.02.2022. The PIO has still not provided the information to the appellant after a delay of approximately four years, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime.

“Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a lesson and in my view, they are unfit to hold the post of Public Information Officer or any other post in connection with the discharge of duties under RTI Act and they should be shown the doors, so that it will be a lesson for other Officers to act in accordance with the terms of the Act, failing which they may also face the similar or more consequences.”

5. Shri Tirath Singh (JA), Shri Rajesh Sharma (Clerk), Shri Charanjit Singh Taneja (Clerk), and Shri Sher Singh (SA), are directed to attend the next hearing of this appeal case in person along with a written reply and attested copies of the requested information therein. They are directed to submit a written explanation for the long delay in addressing this RTI application. This must be done in 10 working days of this hearing. Failure to comply, will compel the Commission, to initiate penal action as per the RTI Act, 2005.

6. A copy of this order is being sent to the, **Ms. Poonam Kaur, PCS, RTO Patiala**, to ensure the presence of all the concerned respondents and compliance report in regard to the Commission's Order, on the next date of hearing. **Shri Varun Roojam, Principal Secretary, Department of Transport, Punjab**, is hereby also advised to review all such cases under their charge and get the same complied with at the earliest.

7. **To come up on 28.09.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 04.08.2026

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State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Cc: i) Ms. Poonam Preet Kaur, PCS (96465-01343),  
Regional Transport Officer,  
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ii) Shri Varun Roojam,  
Principal Secretary,  
Transport Department, Punjab,  
Mini Sectt. Sector – 9, Chandigarh.

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**Shri Manjinder Singh, (98720-15069)**

# 2469, Sunny Enclave,  
Sector - 125, Kharar,  
District Mohali - 140301

....Appellant

**Versus**

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

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

**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o** Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

....Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 3013 OF 2022

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Shri Gurpal Singh, PIO-cum-ATO via mobile (98764-01203)

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **29.10.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Shri Gurpal Singh, attended the hearing via mobile and states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 04.02.2026. Further, he states that he files a reply to the Commission via email, vide letter dated 03.08.2026 and the relevant portion of the same is reproduced below:

ਅਪੀਲ ਕਰਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ:9389, ਮਿਤੀ 04-02-2026 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਭੀ ਦੁਬਾਰਾ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ। ਜਿਸਦਾ ਉਤਾਰਾ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ। ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਡਾਇਰੈਕਟਰ ਦੀ ਵਾਹਨ ਆਈ.ਡੀ. ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਮਹੀਨਾ ਜੁਲਾਈ, ਅਗਸਤ ਅਤੇ ਸਤੰਬਰ 2015 ਦੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ। ਆਨ-ਲਾਈਨ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਆਨ-ਲਾਈਨ ਦਫਤਰੀ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਮਹੀਨਾ ਜੁਲਾਈ, ਅਗਸਤ ਅਤੇ ਸਤੰਬਰ 2015 ਦੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਨਿੱਲ ਹੈ।

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties and going through the case file, the respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Shri Gurpal Singh is directed to file his reply in an affidavit form. The affidavit should be on a stamp paper duly signed by the PIO. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission.



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5. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. To come up on 28.10.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 04.08.2026

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State Information Commissioner  
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**Shri Manjinder Singh, (98720-15069)**

# 2469, Sunny Enclave,  
Sector - 125, Kharar, Distt Mohali – 140301

**....Appellant**

**Versus**

**Ms. Kamlesh Kumar (98886-37082),**  
**Public Information Officer-cum-ATO,**  
O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Officer,  
Jalandhar.

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

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Jalandhar.

**....Respondents**

## **APPEAL CASE NO. 8087 OF 2023**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)  
Respondent: Absent

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **04.12.2026**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent is consecutively absent without intimation for the second successive hearing of this appeal case, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards orders of the Commission. It is also a fact that copy of previous order was sent to the PIO through registered post despite of that, he is absent. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.
4. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, however, before taking any penal proceedings against the respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Ms. Kamlesh Kumari, the Commission wishes to give another opportunity to the respondent PIO to provide the reply / information to the appellant through registered post within 20 days from the receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission.

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 8087 OF 2023

5. The PIO-cum-ATO, Ms. Kamlesh Kumar, is further directed to attend the next hearing in person at the Commission office. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.
6. A copy of this order is being sent to **Shri Baljinder Singh Dhillon, PCS, RTO Jalandhar**, to ensure the presence of the respondent PIO and compliance report in regard to the Commission's Order, on the next date of hearing.
7. **To come up on 28.10.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 04.08.2026

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Cc: **Shri Baljinder Singh Dhillon, PCS,  
Secretary, Regional Transport Officer, Jalandhar.**

[Note: Shri Narinder Kumar, MVI, O/o RTO, Jalandhar, appeared after the hearing was over. He was read out the above order. The case stands adjourned for further proceedings]

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**Ms. Dimple Sharma, (80549-68633)**

R/o Nirmal Sadan,  
Near Andhra Bank, Dhaki Road,  
Pathankot - 145001

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o District Development Panchayat Officer,  
Room No. 303, DAC Complex Malikpur,  
Pathankot.

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o DEO (SE),  
Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o DEO (SE),  
Pathankot.

....Respondents

## **APPEAL CASE NO. 7736 OF 2023**

**PRESENT:**

Appellant: Ms. Dimple Sharma (80549-68633)

Respondent: Shri Ramesh Kumar, Panchayat Secretary (87461-92625) and  
Shri Manoj Kumar, Panchayat Secretary (85568-48370)

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **11.12.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that the information sought at point nos. 5, 6, 7, and 8 are still pending.
3. The respondent states that he has brought the complete information pertaining to point nos. 5, 6, 7, and 8 today to be provided to the appellant. Copy of the information is handed over to the appellant.
4. The appellant requests that some time be given to her to go through the information provided.
5. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to the appellant to go through the information provided and point out deficiencies, if any to the respondent, under intimation to the Commission office. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.
6. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
7. **To come up on 28.10.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Date: 04.08.2026**

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**Shri Sawinder Singh, (98148-24772)**

S/o Shri Bal Singh,  
VPO Shutrana, Tehsil Patran,  
Distt Patiala – 147105

....Appellant

**Versus**

**Shri Baghel Singh (79730-71711)**

**Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,**  
Patran, Distt Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o DDPO,**  
Patiala.

....Respondent

## **APPEAL CASE NO. 358 OF 2023**

**PRESENT:** Appellant: Absent  
Respondent: Absent

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **18.12.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was fixed for hearing on **30.06.2026**, but the case was postponed and further fixed for hearing today, i.e. **04.08.2026**.

2. Today neither the appellant 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 copy of previous order was sent to both the parties through registered post despite of that, they are absent.

3. A perusal of the case file reveals that respondent has failed to submit proof of the Rs. 5000.00 compensation, failed to file a reply to the Show Cause Notice dated 23.07.2025, and failed to supply attested, paginated, point wise information as directed on 18.12.2025. The respondent's persistent non-compliance with the Commission's explicit orders demonstrates a highly irresponsible and negligent attitude.

4. However, before initiating penal proceedings against the respondent PIO under the RTI Act, the Commission deems it appropriate to extend **one final opportunity** for compliance. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Shri Baghel Singh, is hereby strictly directed to comply with all previous directions prior to the next date of hearing, specifically:

- i) Disbursing the Rs. 5000.00 compensation to the appellant and submitting proof of payment to this Commission.
- ii) Submitting a comprehensive written reply to the Show Cause Notice dated 23.07.2025.
- iii) Furnishing the certified, point wise information directly to the appellant, with a compliance report to the Commission.

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5. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Shri Baghel Singh, is further directed to **appear in person** before this Commission on the next date of hearing to explain why maximum penalty proceedings under section 20(1) of the RTI Act should not be imposed upon him for persistent default and non-cooperation.

6. A copy of this order is sent to **Shri Mohinderjit Singh, DDPO, Patiala**, to ensure the presence of respondent PIO and compliance report in response to the Commission's Order dated 18.12.2025, on the next date of hearing. **Shri Uma Shankar Gupta, IAS**, Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali, is hereby also advised to review all such cases under their charge and get the same complied with at the earliest.

7. **To come up on 28.10.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 04.08.2026

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State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Cc: i) **Shri Mohinderjit Singh (94781-01503),  
DDPO, Patiala.**

ii) **Shri Uma Shankar Gupta, IAS (98140-53575),  
Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department,  
Punjab, Mohali.**