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Shri Abhishek Kumar Malhotra, (98889 32495)
R/o H. No. 87, Sector-19,
Old Housing Board Colony,
Panchkula-134113

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab,
Sector-36-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab,
Sector-36-A, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6133 OF 2022

Present : NONE

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 20.01.2026, whereby the appellant was advised to point out specific deficiencies in the information supplied and the Respondent PIO was directed to examine the same and provide remaining information, if available on record.
2. Today, none has appeared on behalf of either party despite last order.
3. In view of the above, and in the interest of justice, the matter is adjourned to a next date to be fixed. The directions contained in the last order dated 20.01.2026 shall remain in full force and effect. It is made clear that in case of failure on the part of either party to appear and comply with the directions of the Commission on the next date of hearing, the case shall be decided on merits **ex parte** in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

Sd/-
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First Appellate Authority,

**O/o Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab,
Sector-36-A, Chandigarh.**

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 6134 OF 2022

Present : NONE

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 20.01.2026, whereby the appellant was advised to point out specific deficiencies in the information supplied and the Respondent PIO was directed to examine the same and provide remaining information, if available on record.
2. Today, none has appeared on behalf of either party despite last order.
3. In view of the above, and in the interest of justice, the matter is adjourned to a next date to be fixed. The directions contained in the last order dated 20.01.2026 shall remain in full force and effect. It is made clear that in case of failure on the part of either party to appear and comply with the directions of the Commission on the next date of hearing, the case shall be decided on merits **ex parte** in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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Sh. Joga Singh S/o Sh. Gurdeep Singh,
Village – Lehrabet, P. O. – Makhu,
Tehsil– Zira, Distt. – Ferozpur (Punjab)
(M.-9417828777)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Makhu, Distt. – Ferozpur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commisisoner,
Ferozpur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1919 & 1920 of 2024

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Present : Sh. Joga Singh, the appellant, on call
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

1. **This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 20.01.2026**, whereby a show-cause notice under **Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005** was issued to the Respondent PIO, O/o BDPO, Makhu, District Ferozpur, for continued non-compliance and non-appearance, with a further direction to file a written reply and comply within seven (07) days. *A single interim order in both the connected cases, as the parties involved and the orders passed therein are the same.*
2. **Today is the 5th hearing in the matter.** The appellant is present through telephonic mode and submits that **no compliance of the Commission's orders has been made till date** and no information has been supplied. **The Respondent PIO, O/o the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Makhu, District Ferozpur, is again absent**, and neither any reply to the show-cause notice nor any compliance report has been received.
3. The Commission takes a **serious view of the continued and deliberate non-compliance** of its orders by the Respondent PIO, despite repeated opportunities.
4. **In view of the above, the District Development and Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Ferozpur is hereby directed to look into the matter personally**, examine the reasons for non-compliance, and **ensure that a proper and complete reply along with the requisite information is furnished to the appellant.**
5. The DDPO, Ferozpur is further directed to **remain present before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with a detailed action taken report**, explaining the non-compliance on the part of the concerned PIO, **without fail.**

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6. It is made clear that in case of continued failure to comply with the directions of the Commission and non-appearance on the next date of hearing, the Commission shall be constrained to initiate coercive proceedings, including issuance of bailable warrants, in accordance with law.
7. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Note: *In view of the repeated non-compliance by the respondent, the appellant is exempted from personal appearance till further orders. He may make his submissions through telephone or Cisco Webex, and the matter shall be proceeded on the available record.*

CC:
O/o District Development and
Panchayat Officer (DDPO),
Distt. – Ferozepur(Punjab) **(Encl. RTI)**

(For compliance)

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Sh. Parkash Singh S/o Sh. Teja Ram,
Village - Nimbuan, Tehsil - Derabassi,
Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)
(M.-7986303404)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Gram Panchayat -Nimbuan,
Block – Derabassi, Distt. - S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1425 of 2025

Present : Sh. Parkash Singh appellant,
Sh. Vishal Sharma (Panchayat Secty.) of the respondent.

ORDER

1. **This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 20.01.2026**, whereby after hearing both parties and taking the rejoinder of the appellant on record, the matter was reserved for orders and both parties were directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for passing of the final order on merits.
2. **Today, the Respondent** Sh. Vishal Sharma (Panchayat Secty.) **appeared late before the Commission**, due to which the matter could not be taken up in a timely manner.
3. **In view of the above, the case is hereby adjourned to 22.04.2026**. The directions contained in the last order dated 20.01.2026 shall **remain in full force and effect**.
4. **Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, strictly on time**, failing which the matter shall be proceeded with in accordance with law. **No further adjournment shall be granted in the matter.**
5. **Next hearing on 22.04.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

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Sh. Kulwant Singh

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New Rajguru Nagar, Threkey Road,
Ludhiana(Punjab)
(M.-9872584015)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana - 1(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3315 of 2023

Present : NONE

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order dated 20.01.2026, whereby the Respondent PIO was directed to dispatch the information to the appellant forthwith and the appellant was advised to intimate any deficiency, if found, upon receipt of the same.
2. Today, neither party is present. However, a letter vide Diary No. 7455 dated 15.04.2026 has been received from the appellant, wherein he has expressed his inability to attend the hearing and has submitted that the directions issued in the last order have not been complied with by the Respondent PIO.
3. In view of the above and keeping in view the contents of the appellant's communication, the Commission observes that compliance of the previous order remains pending.
4. Accordingly, the directions issued vide order dated 20.01.2026 are hereby reiterated. The Respondent PIO is directed to strictly comply with the said directions and to dispatch the complete information to the appellant, as already ordered, without any further delay. A compliance report in this regard shall also be submitted to the Commission, without fail.
5. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

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Sh. Surjit Singh, S/o Sh. Kulwant Singh,
Village – Chuhri Wala,
Tehsil & Distt. – Ferozpur - 152002(Punjab)
(M.-7740005233)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ferozpur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ferozpur (Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6673 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
17.07.2023	--	23.08.2023	--	12.10.2023

Present: NONE

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the Commission's previous order dated 20.01.2026, whereby a show-cause notice under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 was issued to the Respondent PIO/APIO for non-compliance of the Commission's directions and DDPO, Ferozpur, was directed to ensure compliance and submit a report.
2. Today, neither the appellant nor the Respondent PIO/APIO has appeared before the Commission. Further, no reply to the show-cause notice nor any compliance report has been received, which reflects continued disregard towards the orders of the Commission and statutory obligations under the RTI Act.
3. In view of the above, the Commission takes a serious view of the matter. The **Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development), Ferozpur** is hereby directed to look into the matter personally, ensure immediate compliance of the Commission's directions by the concerned PIO/APIO, and to submit a detailed report to the Commission regarding the action taken, within a stipulated period.
4. The Respondent PIO/APIO is again directed to submit a reply to the show-cause notice already issued, failing which the Commission shall proceed to take appropriate action ex-parte under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. Failure to comply with the above directions shall invite strict action as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

CC: ADC (Development), Ferozpur
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat, Ferozpur.

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New Mohini Park,
Opposite Khalsa College,
Amritsar (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Attari, Distt.- Amritsar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Amritsar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6674, 6675, 6676, 6677, 6678, 6679 of 2023

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Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
30.05.2023	--	27.07.2023	--	12.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Paramjit Singh (on call)

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. **This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 20.01.2026**, whereby the Respondent PIO was granted a final opportunity to comply with the directions of the Commission. *A single interim order is being passed in all the six above-mentioned cases, as the parties are the same and the matter/issue involved is also similar.*
2. **Today, the appellant is present before the Commission and submits that no compliance of the Commission's orders has been made till date.**
3. The Commission observes that **the copy of the last order sent to the Respondent PIO has been received back undelivered/returned.** In these circumstances, **Sh. Rajinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary, was contacted telephonically during the course of hearing**, and was apprised of the directions of the Commission.
4. During the telephonic conversation, **Sh. Rajinder Singh requested for an adjournment and assured that the requisite reply/information shall be furnished within 15 days.**
5. The Commission, while taking a **serious view of the continued non-compliance**, deems it appropriate, in the interest of justice, to grant **one last and final opportunity** to the Respondent PIO.
6. **Accordingly, the Respondent PIO is hereby strictly directed to furnish complete and point-wise information to the appellant within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order**, and to place a **detailed compliance report on record** before the next date of hearing.

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7. The Respondent PIO is further directed to **remain present before the Commission on the next date of hearing, without fail**, along with the compliance report.
8. It is made explicitly clear that failure to comply with the above directions shall invite strict action under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, including initiation of proceedings under Section 20 of the Act. The matter in all six cases is adjourned to a next date .
9. **Next hearing on 21.07.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Chandigarh
21.04.2026

Sd/-
(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.