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SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069),

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

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal (97819-89166)

Public Information Officer-cum-ARTO,

O/o Regional Transport Officer,
Ferozepur.

Public Information Officer,

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 859 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO via mobile (88467-81761)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application. Further, he requests that penalty be imposed upon the respondent PIO for delaying the information.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, attended the hearing via mobile. The respondent PIO appearing today is not aware of the facts of the case. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter. The Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct and deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent **PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **26.10.2022**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.”

5. The PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is directed to supply the requested information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is further directed to attend the next hearing in person with a written reply to the Show Cause Notice. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

6. **To come up on 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
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O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
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....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 860 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO via mobile (88467-81761)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application. Further, he requests that penalty be imposed upon the respondent PIO for delaying the information.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, attended the hearing via mobile. The respondent PIO appearing today is not aware of the facts of the case. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter. The Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct and deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent **PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **28.10.2022**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.”

5. The PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is directed to supply the requested information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is further directed to attend the next hearing in person with a written reply to the Show Cause Notice. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

6. **To come up on 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
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First Appellate Authority,
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Ferozepur.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4906 OF 2021

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO via mobile (97819-89166)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, attended the hearing via mobile. Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, appearing today is not aware of the facts of the case. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. The respondent PIO office of, Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, was directed to appear in person before the Commission. Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, does not appear in person before the Commission despite the Show Cause Notice issued in this case. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, was however, directed to attend today's hearing in person in Chandigarh, but he is not present which compelled the Commission to ensure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant** as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Also, a copy of this order is being sent to the Chief Secretary, Punjab, for information at this stage.

6. **To come up on 10.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

State Information Commissioner

Punjab

Date: 25.02.2026

Cc: Chief Secretary Punjab, Punjab Civil Secretariat -1, Sector 1, Chandigarh, for information.

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BEFORE SHRI VIRINDERJIT SINGH BILLING

State Information Commissioner

Punjab, Chandigarh

BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Shri Manjinder Singh V/s Public Information Officer O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur. 2.FAA o/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur.

APPEAL CASE NO. 4906 OF 2021

UNDER SECTION 18(3) OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 10.03.2026

To

The Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur.

Whereas the Public Information Officer-Cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, **Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this Bailable Warrant on Public Information Officer-Cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, **Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, to appear before Shri Virinderjit Singh Billing, State Information Commissioner Punjab at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **10.03.2026 at 11.30 AM** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 29.11.2022 (copy enclosed) along with the information to be provided to the appellent.

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 25.02.2026

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Public Information Officer,
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First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
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....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2928 OF 2022

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO via mobile (97819-89166)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, attended the hearing via mobile. Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, appearing today is not aware of the facts of the case. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter.

4. The respondent PIO office of, Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, was directed to appear in person before the Commission. Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, does not appear in person before the Commission despite the Show Cause Notice issued in this case. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, was however, directed to attend today's hearing in person in Chandigarh, but he is not present which compelled the Commission to ensure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant** as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Also, a copy of this order is being sent to the Chief Secretary, Punjab, for information at this stage.

6. **To come up on 10.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date: 25.02.2026

Cc: Chief Secretary Punjab, Punjab Civil Secretariat -1, Sector 1, Chandigarh, for information.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2928 OF 2022

UNDER SECTION 18(3) OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 10.03.2026

To

The Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur.

Whereas the Public Information Officer-Cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, **Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this Bailable Warrant on Public Information Officer-Cum-ARTO O/o Regional Transport Officer, Ferozepur, **Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, to appear before Shri Virinderjit Singh Billing, State Information Commissioner Punjab at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **10.03.2026 at 11.30 AM** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 29.11.2022 (copy enclosed) along with the information to be provided to the appellent.

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
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Dated: 25.02.2026

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Ferozepur.

Public Information Officer,

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,

Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,

Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3243 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

Respondent: Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, PIO-cum-ARTO via mobile (97819-89166)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application. Further, he requests that penalty be imposed upon the respondent PIO for delaying the information.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, attended the hearing via mobile. The respondent PIO appearing today is not aware of the facts of the case. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the RTI regime. This is indeed a serious matter. The Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct and deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent **PIO-cum-ARTO, O/o RTO, Ferozepur, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal**, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **18.02.2023**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3243 OF 2023

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.”

5. The PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is directed to supply the requested information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO-cum-ARTO, Shri Rakesh Kumar Bansal, is further directed to attend the next hearing in person with a written reply to the Show Cause Notice. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

6. **To come up on 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

Sd/-
(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
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O/o Regional Transport Officer,
Bathinda.

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

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3244 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)
Respondent: Shri Gurtej Singh, PIO-cum-ATO (99156-16771)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 24.02.2026. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. After having detailed deliberations with both parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The Commission wishes to give **one opportunity** to the respondent to provide the information as discussed at today's hearing, to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. Further, the respondent assured the Commission that the information will be supplied to the appellant at the earliest.

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 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

Sd/-
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O/o Regional Transport Officer,
Bathinda.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3253 OF 2022

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)
Respondent: Shri Gurtej Singh, PIO-cum-ATO (99156-16771)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Shri Gurtej Singh, states that he has joined recently. Hence, he has sought some time to file his reply.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it has been observed that the information has not been provided to the appellant. The Commission wishes to give **one opportunity** to the respondent to provide the information as discussed at today's hearing, to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission. Further, the respondent assured the Commission that the information will be supplied to the appellant at the earliest.

5. The respondent PIO is hereby reminded that he is still under the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide this Commission's Order of 25.05.2023. The respondent PIO is further directed to attend the next hearing in person with a written reply to the Show Cause Notice. Failure to comply and attend the hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

6. **To come up on 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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Bathinda.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3543 OF 2022

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)
Respondent: Shri Gurtej Singh, PIO-cum-ATO (99156-16771)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply from the respondent PIO till date.
3. The respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Shri Gurtej Singh, states that he has brought the reply along with information 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 him 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 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5426 OF 2022

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Manjinder Singh (98720-15069)
Respondent: Shri Gurtej Singh, PIO-cum-ATO (99156-16771)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **30.09.2025**. During the said hearing, the case was inadvertently fixed for hearing on **22.02.2026**. However, notice was issued to the parties for the correct date of hearing today, i.e., **25.02.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply from the respondent PIO till date.
3. The respondent PIO-cum-ATO, Shri Gurtej Singh, states that he has brought the reply along with information 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 him 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 19.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
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Shri Vinod Kumar, (94176-73787)

S/o Shri Dalip Kumar,
VPO Khaipur, Tehsil Abohar,
District Fazilka - 152116

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Abohar,
District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO,
Fazilka.

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7678 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Sandeep Kumar on behalf of the appellant (98775-60500)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **14.10.2025**.

2. Shri Sandeep Kumar, is appearing on behalf of the appellant and states that the appellant has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date.
3. The respondent PIO is absent. However, an email dated 24.02.2026 has been received from the department mentioning therein that the sought information has already been sent to the appellant through registered post on 24.02.2026.
4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, the appellant is directed, as and when he received the information, point out the deficiency to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. Further, the respondent PIO is directed to attend the next hearing in person at Commission office for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.
5. **To come up on 05.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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Shri Madan Singh, (94787-41032)

S/o Shri Bant Singh,
R/o Village Teur, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt S.A.S Nagar.

...Appellant

Versus

Shri Rajwinder Singh (80543-51145)
Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,
Majri, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt S.A.S Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Mohali.

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2342 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Madan Singh, (94787-41032)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **06.11.2025**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply / information from the respondent till date and further, he states that directions may be issued to the respondent to supply the sought for information pertaining to his RTI application.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, is absent without intimation. Shri Rajwinder Singh, PIO-cum-BDPO, Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, is absent despite the Show Cause Notice issued in this case. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, was however, directed to attend today's hearing in person in Chandigarh, but he is absent without intimation which compelled the Commission to ensure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant** as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. Also, a copy of this order is being sent to the Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali, for information at this stage.

5. **To come up on 13.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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Cc: Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali, for information.

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BEFORE SHRI VIRINDERJIT SINGH BILLING State Information Commissioner Punjab, Chandigarh

BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION

In case of Shri Madan Singh V/s Public Information Officer O/o BDPO, Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar. 2.FAA o/o DDPO, Mohali.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2342 OF 2024

UNDER SECTION 18(3) OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.

NEXT DATE OF HEARING: 13.03.2026

To

The Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali.

Whereas the Public Information Officer-Cum-BDPO, **Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, Shri Rajwinder Singh**, has failed to appear before the State Information Commissioner despite the issuance of repeated notices/directions in above mentioned Appeal Case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this Bailable Warrant on Public Information Officer-Cum-BDPO, **Majri, Tehsil Kharar, District SAS Nagar, Shri Rajwinder Singh**, to appear before Shri Virinderjit Singh Billing, State Information Commissioner Punjab at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh, on **13.03.2026 at 11.30 AM** and submit his written submissions in regard to the Order dated 06.11.2025 (copy enclosed) along with the information to be provided to the appellants.

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Dated: 25.02.2026

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Shri Gursewak Singh (94173-37502),
S/o Shri Pritam Singh,
R/o Salabatpura, Near Bus Stand,
Tehsil Phul, Distt Bathinda - 151108

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Dharampal Sharma (92368-00001)
Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,
Bhagta Bhai, Distt Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2442 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Gursewak Singh (94173-37502)
Respondent: Shri Dharampal Sharma, PIO-cum-BDPO (92368-00001)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **13.01.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has not received any reply from the respondent PIO till date.
3. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Shri Dharampal Sharma, states that he has brought the reply along with information today to be provided to the appellant. Copy of the information is handed over to the appellant. He also tenders unconditional apology regarding delay occurred in this case and submit his submissions in this regard. Also he has requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued. Keeping in view all the facts the show cause notice is, hereby, **dropped**.
4. The appellant requests that some time be given to him 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. **To come up on 05.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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Shri Jagdev Singh (90944-18000),
S/o Shri Sukhdev Singh,
R/o Village Gigamajra,
Tehsil Amargarh, Distt Malerkotla.

....Appellant

Versus

Smt. Babaljeet Kaur (98145-44631),
Public Information Officer-cum-BDPO,
Amargarh,
Distt Malerkotla.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DDPO, Malerkotla.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 7805 OF 2023

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Jagdev Singh (90944-18000)
Respondent: Shri Karanbir Singh, SEPO (85590-50040) and
Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary (98149-33841)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **13.01.2026**.

2. The appellant, Shri Jagdev Singh, states that he has received partial information from the respondent.
3. The respondent states that the complete information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 23.02.2026 through registered post. He also tenders unconditional apology regarding delay occurred in this case and made oral submissions in this regard. Also he has requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued. Keeping in view all the facts the show cause notice is, hereby, **dropped**.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, the appellant is directed, as and when he received the information, point out the deficiency to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission. On receipt of the deficiencies, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing. 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.
5. **To come up on 05.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

Sd/-
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Shri Parveen Kumar, (94648-17898)
RTI Activist, Street No. 1, Patwari Colony,
TalwandiSaboo, Distt Bathinda - 151302

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Navpreet Singh Shergill (98146-00789),
Public Information Officer-cum-Tehsildar,
Talwandi Saboo, Distt Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM,
Talwandi Saboo,
Distt Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4116 OF 2022

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Parveen Kumar via Cisco Webex (94648-17898)
Respondent: Shri Navpreet Singh Shergill, PIO-cum-Tehsildar (98146-00789)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **13.01.2026**.

2. The appellant is present via Cisco Webex but the Audio Link is not working.
3. The respondent PIO-cum-Tehsildar, Shri Navpreet Singh Shergill, is present in person at Commission office. He states that he has brought the reply today to be provided to the appellant. He further tenders unconditional apology regarding delay occurred in this case and made oral submissions in this regard. Also he has requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued. Keeping in view all the facts the show cause notice is, hereby, **dropped**.
4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, a copy of the reply submitted by the respondent sent to the appellant along with this order. Further, the appellant is asked to file his rejoinder/response on or before the next date of hearing with a copy to the respondent. 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.
5. **To come up on 05.08.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.02.2026

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Encl: Copy of reply dated 23.02.2026 (5 pages) sent to the appellant.

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Dr. Anita Sharma, (90419-51519)

14, Kalia Colony,

Phase - 2, Jalandhar - 144008

....Appellant

Versus

Shri Daljeet Singh,

Public Information Officer-cum-Assistant Professor,

O/o M.G.S.M, Janta College,

Kartarpur, Distt Jalandhar.

Dr. Preety Sodhi (75085-96406),

Public Information Officer-cum-

Principal (Officiating),

M.G.S.M, Janta College,

Kartarpur, Distt Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Secretary, M.G.S.M, Janta College,

Kartarpur, Distt Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3113 OF 2025

Through Cisco Webex

PRESENT: Appellant: Dr. Anita Sharma via Mobile (90419-51519)

Respondent: Shri Jaswinder Pal, Superintendent via Mobile (98765-46401) and
Shri Daljeet Singh, Assistant Professor via Mobile (87258-70027)

ORDER:

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated **20.01.2026**.

2. The respondents are attended the hearing via mobile and state that the affidavit has been provided to the appellant as directed at the last hearing.

3. The appellant, Dr. Anita Sharma, attended the hearing via mobile and states that an affidavit given by the respondent is misleading.

4. In view of the complexity of the case and the significant issues involved, it is necessary that the matter be considered by a Double Bench for proper adjudication. Accordingly, the case is transferred to the Registry Branch for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for constitution of a Double Bench. A copy of this Order be marked to the Deputy Registrar, PSIC. Next hearing to be notified after the CIC's decision. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Virinderjit Singh Billing)

State Information Commissioner

Punjab

Date: 25.02.2026

Cc: Deputy Registrar, Punjab State Information Commission, along with case file.