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Sh.Manpreet Gogia,S/o Sh
Amritpal Singh,C/o M/s Gogia Forging,
E-361, Phase 6, Focal Point,
Ludhiana - 141010

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o PSPCL, Ludhiana East
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o EIC/DS Central,PSPCL,
Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 655 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2026 vide which the appellant was not present and the respondent stated that the information has been provided to the appellant.

2. Both the parties are absent today without intimation. It is also a fact that a notice of hearing and the last order dated 30.04.2026 was sent to them through registered post but even though they are absent and no submissions have been received from the appellant, which appears that he has nothing to say in this regard in this case and/or he does not intend to pursue the case.

3. In the aforementioned circumstances, the Commission is of the considered view that no useful purpose would be served by prolonging this matter any further. Hence the above said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :25.05.2026

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Sh.Jasbir Singh, Guru Nanak Nagar
Village Bholapur, PORamgarh
Chandigarh Road, Distt.Ludhiana - 141123

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Zonal commissioner, Zone B,
Mc,Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC,Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 631 of 2024

Present :- (i) Sh.Jasbir Singh the appellant through CISCO webex
(ii) For the respondent- Sh.Sambarveer Singh, SDO (9780039835) through CISCO webex

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. An email has been received from the appellant vide no. 2531 dated 25.05.2026 that he has received the information and is satisfied.

3. Since the appellant has received the information, no further cause of action is left hence the above said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :25.05.2026

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Sh.Jagmeet Singh, S/o Sh.Sarwan Singh
RajgarhChhanna, Village RajgarhChhanna,
Tehsil Amlloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib- 147203

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o DGPPunjab
Punjab Police Headquarter, Sector 9, Chandigarh

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 608 of 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- Sh.Amarjit, Sr. Assistant (9463066588) through CISCO webex

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.04.2026 vide which the appellant was not present and the respondent brought the information in the Commission, hence the respondent was directed to send the same to the appellant. Further the appellant was asked to point out deficiencies, if any.

2. Today again the appellant is not present.
3. Respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant.
4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant is absent for second consecutive hearing today in the Commission. Respondent states that the information has been sent to the appellant. It is also a fact that a notice of hearing and the last order dated 30.04.2026 was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent and no submissions has been received from the appellant, which appears that he has nothing to say in this regard in this case and/or he does not intend to pursue the case.
5. In the aforementioned circumstances, the Commission is of the considered view that no useful purpose would be served by prolonging this matter any further. Hence the above

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APPEAL CASE NO. 608 of 2024

said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
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Date :25.05.2026

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Sh.Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
Sr. Citizen, RTI Activist +whistle Blower+
Distt. President NCAG, Ludhiana +Ex Secy
PPCC, Office Address: NCAG Office -1331-5
Near Vishawkarma Bhawan Down Canal Road
Shimlapuri, Ludhiana - 141003

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o CMO, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o CMO, Ludhiana

Appeal Case 4364 of 2025

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary, Health and Family
Welfare, Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector 34A,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o Principal Secretary, Health and Family
Welfare, Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector 34A,
Chandigarh

Respondents

Appeal case 4361 of 2025

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- Dr. Davinder Singh, APIO (9464525929) and Sh.
Sumanpal ,Clerk (9855590267)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.02.2026 passed by the Commission vide which the respondent had sought time.

1. The appellant is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.
2. Respondent states that the information demanded by the appellant cannot be provided as an enquiry is pending.

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Appeal Case 4364 of 2025
alongwith
Appeal case 4361 of 2025

3. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it is observed that the appellant is absent for second consecutive hearing today in the Commission. Respondent states that the information demanded by the appellant cannot be provided to the appellant, under Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act 2005. This objection of the respondent is upheld. ***Copy of the same be sent to the appellant alongwith these orders.***

4. In view of the foregoing no further cause of action is left hence the above said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Brajesh ,S/o Sh. PRem MIG Flats
Guru Amar Das Nagar, Tehsil and Distt
Jalandhar - 144008

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4840 of 2025

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.07.2025 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.08.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.05.2026 in the Commission

3. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. An email has been received from the appellant vide dated 25.05.2026 that he has received the information and is satisfied.

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

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :25.05.2026

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Sh.Gurdeep Singh, S/o Sh. RamjiDass
Village Lohariya , PO Machhiwara,
Tehsil Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana

Appellant

Versus

1.Public Information Officer,
O/o Audit Officer Cooperative Societies,
Ludhiana

2.Public information Officer
O/o Additional Regional Cooperative Societies
BhagwanPura Road, Samrala

First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief Auditor, Cooperative Societies
Punjab, Chandigarh

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4444 OF 2025

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- Sh. Jaspal Singh, Audit Officer, O/o respondent no.1
(9417462540) through CISCO webex

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.02.2026 vide which the PIO O/o Additional Regional Cooperative Societies, Samralawas impleaded as respondent no. 2 and he was directed to file his reply.

2. The appellant is not present today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence.

3. The respondent states that the information is related to O/o Additional Regional Cooperative Societies BhagwanPura Road, Samrala. He adds that the O/o Additional Regional Cooperative Societies BhagwanPura Road, Samrala have also given in writing that the information shall not be provided to the appellant. The respondent further states that the society is not covered under the ambit of the RTI Act.

4. PIO O/o Additional Regional Cooperative Societies, BhagwanPura Road, Samrala has also sent their reply regarding the same as under:-



APPEAL CASE NO. 4444 OF 2025

ਲੜੀ ਨੰ.	ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ	ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜੁਆਬ
1.	ਇਹ ਕਿ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਦੀ ਸੇਰੀਆ ਦੁੱਧ ਉਤਪਾਦਕ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਸਭਾ ਲਿਮ: ਸਮਰਾਲਾ ਮਿਤੀ 01.04.2014 ਤੋਂ 31.03.2024 ਤੱਕ ਦੀਆਂ ਆਡਿਟ ਰਿਪੋਰਟਾਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆ ਜਾਣ ਇਹ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ.ਐਕਟ 2005 ਤਹਿਤ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਸੁਦਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।	ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਨਰੀਖਕ ਪੜਤਾਲਕਾਰ ਰਾਂਗੀ ਦੀ ਸੇਰੀਆ ਦੁੱਧ ਉਤਪਾਦਕ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਸਭਾ ਲਿਮ: ਸਮਰਾਲਾ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਬੰਧਕ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ.ਐਕਟ 2005 ਅਧੀਨ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕਰਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਦੇਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਅਸਹਿਮਤੀ ਜਤਾਈ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਾਰਨ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕਰਤਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ।

5. The appellant may also take note that that Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana High Court vide judgment dated 09.01.2025 in CM-19892-CWP-2024 in CWP-13580-2015 dated 09.01.2025 in the matter of The Punjab State Federation of Cooperative House Building Societies Limited vs The State Information Commission, Punjab and another and in CM-50-CWP-2025 in CWP-20904-2015 in the matter of The Punjab State Cooperative Bank Limited vs State Information Commission, Punjab and others held that :-

"keeping in view the judgment in General Manager, The KisanSahkariChini Mills (supra), qua the petitioner- HOUSEFED, the State has only 21% share and qua petitioner-Cooperative Bank, state has not more than 1% of share, which is not good enough to treat the petitioners as Public Authority so as to be amenable to the RTI Act 2005. Once, the Cooperative Societies have been kept apart from the definition of Public Authority and law has already been settled on the said issue by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, ignorance of said settled principle of law by the State Information Commission, Punjab in the impugned orders cannot be upheld.

Once , the writ petition is not maintainable against the Cooperative Societies, making the petitioners amenable to the right to Information Act, 2005 will be contrary to the settled principle of law by treating it as a Public Authority.

The State has a power to pass appropriate amendment so as to include the Cooperative Societies under the jurisdiction of RTI Act.

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At this stage, learned counsel for the State has submitted that to her knowledge, no such amendment has been undertaken so far by the State so as to bring the petitioners under the jurisdiction of Right to Information Act, 2005.

Till the date any such amendment is made by the State, keeping in view the settled principle of law and the facts qua the petitioners notice hereinbefore, orders dated 20.05.2015 and 27.08.2015 passed by the State Information Commission, Punjab are contrary to settled principle of law and cannot be sustained and are set aside”.

6. In view of the above circumstances, no further cause of action is left, hence the above said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Sh.Saurab Sharma, S/o Sh. Subhash Sharma
B-23, House No. 6163, Street No. 4
Hargobind Nagar, Near Hanuman Mandir
Ludhiana - 141007

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Zone B, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC,
Zone A, Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4332 OF 2025

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent- ShGaganpreet Singh, clerk (zone-B) (8558872011)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.02.2026 vide which the appellant was directed to file his response/rejoinder to the reply of the respondent.

2. The appellant is not present today. However, he has filed his response/rejoinder to the reply of the respondent vide Commission diary no. 9182 dated 07.05.2026.
3. The respondent states that the information demanded is third-party information. He adds that they have already filed their reply.
4. After examining the documents placed on record, it has been ascertained that the respondent has adequately addressed the RTI of the appellant. Further, the Commission also relied upon the decision dated 13.11.2019 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 10044 of 2010 titled in Central Public Information Officer, Supreme Court of India Vs. Subhash Chandra Aggarwal, regarding Right to Information Act, 2005 in which in para no. 59 of the above referred case had defined 'Personal Information' under the Right to Information Act 2005, the relevant part of the judgment is reproduced below:-

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4332 OF 2025

“Reading of the aforesaid judicial precedents, in our opinion , would indicate that personal records, including name, address , Physical, mental and psychological status, marks obtained, grades and answer sheets, are all treated as personal information. Similarly, professional records, including qualification , performance , evaluation reports, ACRs, disciplinary proceedings, etc. Are all personal information. Medical records, treatment, choice of medicine, list of hospitals and doctors visited, findings recorded. Including that of the family members, information, relating to assets, liabilities, Income tax returns, details of the investments, lending and borrowing etc. are personal information. Such personal information is entitled to protection from unwarranted invasion of privacy and conditional access is available when stipulation of larger public interest is satisfied. This list is indicative and not exhaustive.

Hence, the contention of the respondent is upheld. With this, no further cause of action is left. Therefore, the appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :25.05.2026

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Village Bholapur, PORamgarh
Chandigarh Road, Distt.Ludhiana - 141123

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o PSPCL, Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o PSPCL, Patiala

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 635 of 2024

Present :- (i) ShJasbir Singh, appellant (*through CISCO-Webex*)
(ii) For the respondent- ShJaspreet Singh, ADDI SE and ShBaljinder Singh, AE
(96461-25144)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.4.2026 vide which the appellant was directed to file his rejoinder/response to the reply of the respondent.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him. However, he has filed his reply/rejoinder through email, which is taken on record.
3. The respondents states that he has already filed his reply. Further, he has also filed copy of the reply sent to the appellant.
4. The perusal of the documents placed on record shows that the appellant has sought the following information-

ਸੇਵਾ ਵਿਖੇ,
ਲੋਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਅਫਸਰ ਕਮ ਚੈਅਰਮੈਨ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਟੇਟ ਪਾਵਰ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਿਮਟਿਡ, ਦਾ ਮਾਲ, ਜਿਲਾ ਪਟਿਆਲਾ।

(1):- ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਮਾਨ ਜੀ ਮੇਰੇ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇੱਕ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਮਿਤੀ-12/6/2023 ਨੂੰ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਡਾਕ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਭੇਜੀ ਸੀ। ਮੇਰੇ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਭੇਜੀ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਜਿਸ ਫਾਇਲ ਨਾਂ ਮਿਸਲ ਤੇ ਡੀਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਮੁਕੰਮਲ ਤਸਦੀਕਸ਼ੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਅਤੇ ਦਫਤਰੀ ਨੋਟਿੰਗ ਦੀ ਤਸਦੀਕਸ਼ੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।



APPEAL CASE NO. 635 of 2024

The respondent has filed the copy of the reply sent to the appellant as under:-

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਆਪ ਦਾ ਬਿਨੈ ਪੱਤਰ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਮਿਤੀ 25.10.2023 ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ, ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ 'The ADGP cum Chief Director (Vigilance Bureau), Vigilance Bhawan, Sector-68, SAS Nagar, Mohali & The Secretary (Vigilance), Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh ਨੂੰ ਸੰਬੰਧਿਤ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਬਣਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਨਾਲ ਸਬੰਧਿਤ ਹੋਣ ਕਾਰਨ, ਉਹਨਾਂ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਹੀ ਕਰਨੀ ਬਣਦੀ ਹੈ। ਸੋ, ਵਣਜ ਸੰਸਥਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਹ ਕੇਸ ਡੀਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ਜਿਸ ਕਾਰਨ ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਸਬੰਧਿਤ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਵਣਜ ਸੰਸਥਾ ਅਸਮਰਥ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਸੰਯੁਕਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ, ਚੌਕਸੀ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ ਹਦਾਇਤਾਂ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

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In view of the above, it has been ascertained that the respondent has adequately addressed the RTI of the appellant. Hence, no further cause of action. *However, the copy of the reply along with the abovesaid copy of notification of the Joint Secretary, Chowksi is sent to the appellant along with these orders.* With this, the appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed.** Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
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Sh.Raghbir Singh, S/o Sh. Chanan Singh
R/o Village ishpur, PO Nussi, Tehsil and Distt
Jalandhar

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Cooperative A/S Society Ltd. The
SalempuraMusalmana, Mazsudan
Distt. Jalandhar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Registrar Cooperative Societies Punjab
Sector 17, Chandigarh

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4304 OF 2025

Present :- (i) ShRaghbir Singh appellant along with ShSoham Singh
(ii) For the respondent- ShHarjit Singh, Inspector (7814993512)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.02.2026 vide which the appellant was directed to file his rejoinder/response to the reply of the respondent.

2. The respondent states that the reply has already been provided to the appellant. He also adds that the society is not covered under the ambit of the RTI Act.
3. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him.
4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it has been ascertained that as directed, the appellant has failed to file his reply/rejoinder. The appellant may also take note that that Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana High Court vide judgment dated 09.01.2025 in CM-19892-CWP-2024 in CWP-13580-2015 dated 09.01.2025 in the matter of The Punjab State Federation of Cooperative House Building Societies Limited vs The State Information Commission, Punjab and another and in CM-50-CWP-2025 in CWP-20904-2015 in the matter of The Punjab State Cooperative Bank Limited vs State Information Commission, Punjab and others held that :-

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AC.No. 67 of 2024

“keeping in view the judgment in General Manager, The KisanSahkariChini Mills (supra), qua the petitioner- HOUSEFED, the State has only 21% share and qua petitioner-Cooperative Bank, state has not more than 1% of share, which is not good enough to treat the petitioners as Public Authority so as to be amenable to the RTI Act 2005. Once, the Cooperative Societies have been kept apart from the definition of Public Authority and law has already been settled on the said issue by the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, ignorance of said settled principle of law by the State Information Commission, Punjab in the impugned orders cannot be upheld.

Once , the writ petition is not maintainable against the Cooperative Societies, making the petitioners amenable to the right to Information Act, 2005 will be contrary to the settled principle of law by treating it as a Public Authority.

The State has a power to pass appropriate amendment so as to include the Cooperative Societies under the jurisdiction of RTI Act.

At this stage, learned counsel for the State has submitted that to her knowledge, no such amendment has been undertaken so far by the State so as to bring the petitioners under the jurisdiction of Right to Information Act, 2005.

Till the date any such amendment is made by the State, keeping in view the settled principle of law and the facts qua the petitioners notice hereinbefore, orders dated 20.05.2015 and 27.08.2015 passed by the State Information Commission, Punjab are contrary to settled principle of law and cannot be sustained and are set aside”.

5. In view of the above circumstances, no further cause of action is left, hence the above said appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
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