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Shri Jasbir Singh (98882-96107),

Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur Jhabewal,
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana – 141123

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Civil Surgeon,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Civil Surgeon,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4828 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Jasbir Singh (98882-96107)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **29.04.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **03.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent PIO is absent. However, an email dated 21.08.2026 has been received from the respondent mentioning therein that the reply has already been sent to the appellant and also appended the reply sent to the appellant. A copy of the reply was handed over to the appellant during the course of hearing.
4. The appellant requests that some time be given to him to go through the reply provided.
5. In view of the above, an opportunity is given to the appellant to go through the reply 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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.08.2026

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P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana – 141123

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4829 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Jasbir Singh (98882-96107)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **29.04.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **03.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards the notices of the Commission. It is also a fact that notice of hearing 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, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view **one last and final opportunity** is given the respondent PIO to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific reply in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the reply provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
5. **To come up on 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Kashmir Singh (97815-20444),
Code No. 3734, # 8, Kot Atmaram,
Sultanwind Road, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Manager, Markfed,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Manager, Markfed,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4834 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Vikram, SA (99149-70333) and
Shri Narinder Sharma, Accountant (98154-66304)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **18.12.2023** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.02.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission of his inability to attend the hearing via telephone this morning and also states that the sought information is still pending.

3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant whereby the sought information was denied under section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient **one opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO to provide the information to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Imtiaz Ali Khan (94638-33472),
S/o Mustak Ali Khan,
R/o Inside Delhi Gate, Mohalla Nawab Khan,
Malerkotla.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM, Malerkotla.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Malerkotla.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4837 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Ms. Ramneek Kaur Sandhu, Advocate (98888-80024)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **09.04.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **06.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. Ms. Ramneek Kaur Sandhu, Advocate, appearing on behalf of the appellant. She states that the information sought at point no. 2 is still pending.

3. The respondent is absent. However, an email dated 21.08.2026 has been received from the respondent mentioning therein that he is unable to attend the hearing and also mentioned that the reply has already been sent to the appellant.

4. After hearing the counsel for the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient one opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to provide the reply / information sought at **point no. 2** of the RTI application to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612),
(Prof.), # 439, Master Tara Singh Nagar,
Jalandhar – 144001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4839 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612)
Respondent: Shri Punit Puri, Head of Department Zoology (98143-67271)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.03.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has received a reply from the respondent, but the said reply is not satisfactory.

3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant.

4. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed to demonstrate the 'Larger public interest' involved in seeking the sought for information before the next date of hearing.

5. The appellant is directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** However, the respondent is exempted from personal hearing on the next date of hearing. He shall be contacted telephonically. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.08.2026

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Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612),
(Prof.), # 439, Master Tara Singh Nagar,
Jalandhar – 144001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4840 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612)
Respondent: Shri Punit Puri, Head of Department Zoology (98143-67271)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.03.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has received a reply from the respondent, but the said reply is not satisfactory.
3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant.
4. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed to demonstrate the 'Larger public interest' involved in seeking the sought for information before the next date of hearing.
5. The appellant is directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** However, the respondent is exempted from personal hearing on the next date of hearing. He shall be contacted telephonically. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.08.2026

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Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612),
(Prof.), # 439, Master Tara Singh Nagar,
Jalandhar – 144001

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal, DAV College,
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4841 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Naresh Kumar (99155-76612)
Respondent: Shri Punit Puri, Head of Department Zoology (98143-67271)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **19.03.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.05.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant states that he has received a reply from the respondent, but the said reply is not satisfactory.

3. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant.

4. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed to demonstrate the 'Larger public interest' involved in seeking the sought for information before the next date of hearing.

5. The appellant is directed to appear in person before the Commission 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 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** However, the respondent is exempted from personal hearing on the next date of hearing. He shall be contacted telephonically. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date: 25.08.2026

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Shri Parveen Kohli (92172-00099),
S/o Shri Sawdesh Kohli,
451/2, College Road, Jagroan,
Distt Ludhiana - 142026

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DM, PUNSUP, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DM, PUNSUP, Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4842 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Gurmeet Singh, District Manager (82880-41918) and
Shri Maninder Singh, Inspector (88474-00625)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **01.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the reply/information has already been sent to the appellant. Further, the respondent submits that nothing more is available in the official record which could be supplied to the appellant and requested to close this case.

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

4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view **one last and final opportunity** is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

5. **To come up on 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Jagshir Singh (81958-00345),
S/o Shri Gian Singh,
920, Mandi Mullanpur,
Ludhiana - 141101

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, Nagar Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director, Local Govt.
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4843 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Shri Kulwinder Singh, Clerk (98763-23386)

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **08.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The respondent states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant and no deficiency has been pointed out by the appellant till date.

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

4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view **one last and final opportunity** is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

5. **To come up on 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Vinod Kumar (98154-44017),
S/o Shri Sukhdev,
M 402, Jaipuria Sunrise City, VIP Road,
Zirakpur, Distt S.A.S Nagar - 140603
RTI Application No. 129108

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DIGP, Rupnagar Range,
Rupnagar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4848 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **21.06.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.07.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

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 notice of hearing was sent to both the parties through registered post despite of that, they are absent.

3. However, this is the first hearing before the undersigned, hence in the interest of justice **one last opportunity** is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

4. **To come up on 08.12.2026 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Rawinder Singh (70093-64239),
S/o Shri Jaswant Singh,
Village Tarkhanwala, Tehsil Talwandi Saboo,
Distt Bathinda - 15130
RTI Application No. 123546

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Bathinda.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4850 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **13.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

2. The appellant is absent. However, an email dated 17.07.2026 has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that he has not received the information till date and also requested that the case be decided on merits.

3. The respondent is absent. However, he files a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide letter dated 17.08.2026, which is taken on record.

4. After going through the case file, it is observed that the reply filed by the respondent is not satisfactory. However, this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view one opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to provide a point wise reply/information to the appellant through registered post within 20 days after receipt of this order, under intimation to the Commission, failing which stringent action will be initiated against the respondent PIO, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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.

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Shri Rakesh Bhardwaj (90500-02838),
S/o Shri Surinder,
410, Gate No. 4, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt S.A.S Nagar - 140301
RTI Application No. 124835

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sr. Environmental Engineer,
Zonal Officer - 1, Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Patiala.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4851 OF 2024

PRESENT: Appellant: Shri Rakesh Bhardwaj (90500-02838)
Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated **22.05.2024** vide which the appellant had sought the information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.06.2024** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **26.07.2024** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. **25.08.2026**.

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 is absent without intimation, which shows his carelessness and casual attitude towards the notices of the Commission. It is also a fact that notice of hearing 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, it is observed that this is the first date of hearing before the undersigned hence taking a lenient view one opportunity is given the respondent PIO to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific reply in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the reply provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

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