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Sh. Balwinder Singh, (9876368404)

S/o Sh. Gurnam Singh,

126 B, Sector 37 A,

Chandigarh-160036.

RTI Application No 121626

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/oXEN, Eastern Canal Division,

Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/oSuperintendent Engineer,

Ferozepur Canal Circle, Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4326 OF 2024

PRESENT: Sh. Rajneesh Bharara, on behalf of the Appellant.

None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

That the appellant had sought information as enumerated in his RTI application dated 28.04.2024 and First appeal filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 10.05.2024 and the Second Appeal was filed in the Commission 02.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 26.08.2026.

2. That Sh. Rajneesh Bharara appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Balwinder Singh. The Authority Letter in this regard has been received in the Bench vide Diary No.16328 dated 13.08.2026 through which the appellant has authorized Sh. Rajneesh Bharara to represent and argue the case on his behalf. The appellant has also sent his written submission to the Bench, which are placed in the case file. The representative of the appellant stated that no information has been provided by the respondent PIO and further requested to take action against the PIO.

3. That the respondent remained absent during the hearing inspite of the fact that the Notice of hearing was sent through registered post. The absence of the respondent PIO is viewed seriously as it affects the proceedings of the case.

4. That in view of the above, **LAST OPPORTUNITY** is given to the respondent PIO to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and also to provide the complete sought for information to the appellant, as per the guidelines laid down under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench. In case of non-compliance, stringent action shall be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

Sd/-

(HARPREET SINGH SANDHU)

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Ms Parveen Rani, (9464527725)

W/o Sh. Parmjeet Singh,
R/o H No 9566, Gali No 4, Bhullar Colony,
Sri Muktsar Sahib-152026

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4328 OF 2024

PRESENT:

Ms.Lovepreet Kaur, Advocate, on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Gurdial Singh, ASI(9855600185) on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

That the appellant had sought information as enumerated in her RTI application dated 03.04.2024 and First appeal filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 05.05.2024 and the Second Appeal was filed in the Commission 01.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 26.08.2026.

2. That Ms.LovepreetKaur,Advocate appeared on behalf of the appellant, Ms.Parveen Rani, stated in length about the information sought by the appellant. She further stated that the information pertaining to point nos.1, 2, 3, 6 and 7 of the RTI application has not been provided by the respondent PIO till date.

3. That the respondent appeared before the Bench placed on record letter no.21747 dated 20.08.2026 along with other documents, which have been perused and placed in the case file.

4. That in view of the above, the **Senior Superintendent of Police, Sri Muktsar Sahib** is hereby directed to ensure that appropriate information, specifically point-wise, as referred by the appellant in her RTI application, be provided to her, before the next date of hearing and intimation be sent to the Commission, enabling the Bench to decide the case on merit.

5. Adjourned to **21.09.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

Sd/-

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Sh. Jiwan Garg, (9878138340)

S/o Sh. Om Parkash Garg,
H No B-1/473 A, Ward No 23, Opp. Old Bombay Palace,
Jakhal Road, Sunam, Distt Sangrur-148028

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Additional Civil Judge (Sr. Division),
Sunam, Distt Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Civil Judge (Sr. Division),
Sunam, Distt Sangrur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4330 OF 2024

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

That the appellant had sought information as enumerated in his RTI application dated 15.01.2024 and First appeal filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 29.02.2024 and the Second Appeal was filed in the Commission 03.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 26.08.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench today. The respondent PIO, O/o Additional Civil Judge (SD), Sunam, vide email dated 19.08.2026 has requested to attend the hearing through Video Conferencing, but the same could not be held as prior booking is required.

3. That in view of the above, the respondent PIO is directed to appear before the Bench on the next date of hearing and also to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant's RTI application, strictly as per guidelines laid down under the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench.

4. That the appellant is also directed to follow up his case before the Bench.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

26.08.2026

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Sh. Pardeep Chaudhri, (9815033444)

S/o Sh. Ram Rakha Chaudhary,

Opp Church, Tehsil & Distt Hoshiarpur-146001

RTI Application No 123195

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,

Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,

Hoshiarpur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4331 OF 2024

PRESENT:

None on behalf of the Appellant.

None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

That the appellant had sought information as enumerated in his RTI application dated 10.05.2024 and First appeal filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.05.2024 and the Second Appeal was filed in the Commission 03.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 26.08.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench today, inspite the fact that Notice of hearing issued through Registered post. The absence of the respondent PIO is viewed seriously as it has affected the proceedings of the case.

3. That in view of the above, the PIO is directed to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and also to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant's RTI application, strictly as per guidelines laid down under the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench.

4. That the appellant is also directed to follow up his case before the Bench.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

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Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, (7017021349)

S/o Sh. Balbir Singh,

517, Street No.03,

BastiHazoor Singh, Village GanjBakhshani,

Tehsil & Distt Fazilka.-152123.

RTI Application No 120618

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,

Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,

Fazilka.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4336 OF 2024

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

That the appellant had sought information as enumerated in his RTI application dated 22.04.2024 and First appeal filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 14.05.2024 and the Second Appeal was filed in the Commission 03.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 26.08.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench today, inspite the fact that Notice of hearing issued through Registered post. The absence of the respondent PIO is viewed seriously as it has affected the proceedings of the case.

3. That in view of the above, the PIO is directed to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and also to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant's RTI application, strictly as per guidelines laid down under the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench.

4. That the appellant is also directed to follow up his case before the Bench.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

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Shri Krishan Lal, Advocate (9888525251)

S/o ShriDarshanLal,

R/o H. No. B1/171, MohallaChaudhrian,

Tehsil Phillaur, District Jalandhar-144410

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Police Commissioner,

Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,

O/o Station House Officer,

Police Station Model Town, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Police Commissioner,

Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 0537 OF 2025

CISCO WEBEX PROCEEDINGS

PRESENT:

None on behalf of the Appellant.

Shri Gurcharan Singh, ASI, (9876730005) O/o Police Station, Model Town, on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 23.04.2026.

2. That the appellant remained absent during the hearing, whereas the respondent present on behalf of the PIO stated that the information has been provided to the appellant.

3. That in view of the above, the respondent PIO is directed to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and submit the copy of letter vide which the information was provided to the appellant.

4. That the appellant is also directed to follow up his case before the Bench, enabling the Bench to decide the case on merit.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

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Shri Bharat Bhushan, (8360294870)

S/o Shri Raj Kumar,

R/o H. No. 30, Gali No 2,

Ward No. 30, Indra Colony,

Tehsil & District Pathankot.

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Regional Transport Authority,

Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

SCO 177-178, Sector 17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1933 OF 2025

PRESENT: None on behalf of theAppellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 23.04.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench.
3. That the perusal of the previous Bench Order dated 23.04.2026 reflects that LAST OPPORTUNITY was given to the PIO to comply with the Order dated 05.02.2026, failing which stringent proceedings shall be initiated as per law. But the respondent PIO remained absent today and neither sent any compliance report.
4. That the appellant has filed RTI application on 07.11.2024 and a period of about two years has been passed, but the requisite information has still not been provided to the appellant. The conduct of the PIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. That in view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 is issued to the **PIO, O/o Regional Transport Authority, Pathankot** to explain why penalty should not be imposed upon him for wilful delay/denial in supplyingthe information to the RTI applicant, and why compensation should not be awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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6. That the PIO is directed to file a **written reply** in response to the **Show Cause Notice** and to **appear in person** on the next date fixed and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him; otherwise, failing which **Bailable Warrant** shall be issued. The PIO is further directed to ensure to send complete information to the appellant, if covered under the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing.

7. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

26.08.2026

Sd/-
(HARPREET SINGH SANDHU)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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SCO 177-178, Sector 17C,
Chandigarh.

2. **Public Information Officer,** (By name)
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Pathankot.

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Ward No 30, Indra Colony,

Tehsil & District Pathankot.

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Regional Transport Authority,

Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

SCO 177-178, Sector 17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2527 OF 2025

PRESENT: None on behalf of theAppellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 23.04.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench.
3. That the perusal of the previous Bench Order dated 23.04.2026 reflects that LAST OPPORTUNITY was given to the PIO to comply with the Order dated 05.02.2026, failing which stringent proceedings shall be initiated as per law. But the respondent PIO remained absent today and neither sent any compliance report.
4. That the appellant has filed RTI application on 04.01.2025 and a period of more than one and half year has been passed, but the requisite information has still not been provided to the appellant. The conduct of the PIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. That in view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 is issued to the **PIO, O/o Regional Transport Authority, Pathankot** to explain why penalty should not be imposed upon him for wilful delay/denial in supplyingthe information to the RTI applicant, and why compensation should not be awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2527 OF 2025

6. That the PIO is directed to file a **written reply** in response to the **Show Cause Notice** and to **appear in person** on the next date fixed and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him; otherwise, failing which **Bailable Warrant** shall be issued. The PIO is further directed to ensure to send complete information to the appellant, if covered under the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing.

7. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

26.08.2026

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Pathankot.

(By name)

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Tehsil & District Pathankot.

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Regional Transport Authority,

Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

SCO 177-178, Sector 17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2528 OF 2025

PRESENT:

Shri Bharat Bhushan, Appellant.

Ms. Rajnish Kumari, DEO (7901879722) on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 23.04.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench.
3. That the perusal of the previous Bench Order dated 23.04.2026 reflects that LAST OPPORTUNITY was given to the PIO to comply with the Order dated 05.02.2026, failing which stringent proceedings shall be initiated as per law. But the respondent PIO remained absent today and neither sent any compliance report.
4. That the appellant has filed RTI application on 30.12.2024 and a period of about two years has been passed, but the requisite information has still not been provided to the appellant. The conduct of the PIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. That in view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 is issued to the **PIO, O/o Regional Transport Authority, Pathankot** to explain why penalty should not be imposed upon him for wilful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant, and why compensation should not be awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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6. That the PIO is directed to file a **written reply** in response to the **Show Cause Notice** and to **appear in person** on the next date fixed and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him; otherwise, failing which **Bailable Warrant** shall be issued. The PIO is further directed to ensure to send complete information to the appellant, if covered under the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing.

7. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

26.08.2026

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O/o Regional Transport Authority,
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Shri Harvinder Singh Virk, (8289053006)

R/o H No E-405, Ranjit Avenue,
Amritsar-143001

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3231 & 3232 OF 2025

PRESENT:

ShriHarvinder Singh Virk,Appellant.

Sh. Amrit Pal Singh, J.E. (6284983703) on behalf of the Respondents

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 23.04.2026.

2That both the appellant and the respondent remained present before the Bench. The appellant stated that no information has been provided by the respondent.

3. That the respondent present before the Bench stated that he has recently joined the office and further requested for short adjournment due to ongoing process of "S.I.R.".

4. That the Bench is in receipt of letter no.726 dated 02.07.2026 sent by the PIO-cum-D.R.O., Amritsar vide which directions were issued to the PIO, O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar to appear before the Bench for today.

5. That in view of the above, **LAST OPPORTUNITY** is given to the respondent PIO to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and submit **written reply** to the **Show Cause Notice** issued to him vide previous Bench Order dated 23.04.2026. The PIO is further directed to provide the complete certified information to the appellant, if covered within the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench. In case of non-compliance, penal action shall be taken as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

7.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab

26.08.2026

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Deputy Commissioner,
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Shri Kuldip Kumar Kaura, (9814440385)

Retd. Lecturer,

5 C, Phase 1, Urban Estate,

Focal Point, Ludhiana-141010

.....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/o Principal Secretary,

Social Justice, Empowerment & Minorities, Punjab,

Disability Cell Branch, Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary,

Social Justice, Empowerment & Minorities, Punjab,

Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1671 OF 2026

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 24.04.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench today.
3. That the perusal of the previous Bench Order dated 24.04.2026 reveals that the appellant was directed to point out deficiencies, if any, in writing to the PIO and the PIO was further directed to remove the deficiencies, if any. But today both the parties remained absent and no intimation in this regard has been received from them in the Bench.
4. That in view of the above, both the parties, the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to comply with the previous Bench Order dated 24.04.2026 and to appear before the Bench on the next date of hearing, enabling the Bench to decide the case on merits.
5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

Sd/-

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Er. P S Gill, (9646011502)

Chief Engineer PSEB (Retd), President,
Feroze Gandhi Market Association,
124, SCO, Feroze Gandhi Market,
Ludhiana.

....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/oLudhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/oLudhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1672 OF 2026

PRESENT:

Er. P.S. Gill, Appellant.

None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 24.04.2026 vide which the PIO was directed to appear in person and to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant.

2. That the appellant present before the Bench stated that no information has been provided to him by the respondent till date.

3. That the respondent remained absent during the hearing, however vide email dated 26.08.2026, he has sent copy of letter no.795 dated 25.08.2026 with annexures, vide which information was sent to the appellant.

4. That a copy of the said letter and its annexures has been handed over to the appellant with the directions to go through the information and in case of any deficiencies, the same be brought to the notice of the respondent PIO, in writing and the respondent PIO is further directed to remove the deficiencies, if any and furnish the information, as per guidelines laid down under the RTI Act, 2005 and intimation be sent to the Bench accordingly. The respondent PIO is further directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, failing which stringent proceedings shall be initiated against him as per law.

5. Adjourned to **23.10.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

Sd/-

(HARPREET SINGH SANDHU)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Er. P S Gill, (9646011502)

Chief Engineer PSEB (Retd), President,
Feroze Gandhi Market Association,
124, SCO, Feroze Gandhi Market,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

VERSUS

Public Information Officer,

O/oLudhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/oLudhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1808 OF 2026

PRESENT:

Er. P.S. Gill, Appellant.

None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 24.04.2026 vide which the PIO was directed to appear in person and to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant.

2. That the appellant present before the Bench stated that no information has been provided to him by the respondent till date.

3. That the respondent remained absent during the hearing, however vide email dated 26.08.2026, he has sent copy of letter no.797 dated 25.08.2026 with annexures, vide which information was sent to the appellant.

4. That a copy of the said letter and its annexures has been handed over to the appellant with the directions to go through the information and in case of any deficiencies, the same be brought to the notice of the respondent PIO, in writing and the respondent PIO is further directed to remove the deficiencies, if any and furnish the information, as per guidelines laid down under the RTI Act, 2005 and intimation be sent to the Bench accordingly. The respondent PIO is further directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, failing which stringent proceedings shall be initiated against him as per law.

5. Adjourned to **23.10.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

Sd/-

(HARPREET SINGH SANDHU)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab

26.08.2026

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RTI Application No 226162

.....Appellant

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First Appellate Authority,

O/o Department of Social Justice, Empowerment & Minorities, Punjab
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....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 1696 OF 2026

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order refers to the Bench's previous order dated 24.04.2026.

2. That neither the appellant nor the respondent appeared before the Bench today. However, the appellant vide emails dated 16.07.2026 and 14.08.2026 as well as letters sent through post has sent her written submissions, which are placed in the case file.

3. That the respondent PIO remained absent during the hearing without any intimation to the Bench.

4. That in view of the above, **LAST OPPORTUNITY** is given to the respondent PIO to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing and also to provide the sought for information to the appellant, if covered within the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Bench. In case of non-compliance, stringent proceedings shall be initiated as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. Adjourned to **20.11.2026 at 11:00 A.M.**

26.08.2026

Sd/-
(HARPREET SINGH SANDHU)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab