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Sh. ShamsherSingh, S/o Late Sh. Jogi Ram,
R/o Village RouniJhugia, Nabha Road,
Patiala. (M: 9417269354)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/oTehsildar,
Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6876 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
29.05.2023	28.06.2023	11.08.2023	----	20.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Ms Amandeep Kaur (M; 8558870047), Junior Assistant

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated 01.07.2026.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. Appellant is Absent. Written submissions received through him e-mail dated 30.09.2026, taken on record
3. The respondent submitted that the reply had already been sent to the appellant vide letter Ref. No. 7062 dated 28.06.2023, stating that the report sought had been forwarded to the office of the District Development and Panchayat Officer, Patiala. The said reply is taken on record.
4. The appellant may approach the concerned public authority to obtain the requisite information by filing a fresh RTI application, if required. However, **one final opportunity is granted to the appellant to appear and represent his case.** The respondent shall also remain present with the relevant record.
5. In case of non-appearance by the appellant on the next date of hearing, the matter shall be decided on merits, based on the material available on record, without any further opportunity
6. With this case, the case is adjourned to **08.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sh. FazarDeen, S/o Sh. Raj Kha,
R/o Village Dargapur, Tehsil Nabha,
Distt Patiala. (M: 9855015534)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Nabha, Distt Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Nabha, Distt Patiala.

CC:,
O/o DDPO, Distt Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6795 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
20.06.2023	----	17.08.2023	----	18.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. FazarDeen

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated **17.03.2026**, whereby the respondent was directed to re-examine the reply and furnish complete and correct information after removing the discrepancies pointed out by the appellant.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. The appellant, Sh. Fazar Deen, submitted that the requisite information has still not been supplied. Despite due notice, the respondent remained absent and failed to submit any compliance report.
3. In view of the continued non-compliance with the Commission's directions, **a show-cause notice is hereby issued to the Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Nabha, District Patiala**, to explain why appropriate action under **Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005**, should not be initiated for failure to comply with the Commission's order. The PIO shall file a written explanation along with a complete compliance report and remain personally present on the next date of hearing.
4. **The District Development and Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Patiala, is directed to look into the matter, ensure compliance with the Commission's order dated 17.03.2026, and submit a compliance report before the next date of hearing.**
5. With this case, the case is adjourned to **08.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector – 34, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6916 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
22.07.2023	----	29.08.2023	----	20.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated 01.07.2026.
2. The appellant, vide e-mail dated 07.10.2026, expressed his inability to attend today's hearing and submitted that he had received the reply from the PIO and required some time to examine the same. The said e-mail is taken on record.
3. In view of the above, the Commission grants the appellant time to examine the reply and submit his response, if any. Both parties are directed to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing, along with the relevant record. The appellant shall specifically point out any deficiencies remaining in the reply, if any, so that the matter may be adjudicated accordingly.
4. With this case, the case is adjourned to **09.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

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Sh. Vikram Singh, S/o Sh. Chandgi Ram,
004, Tower No 1, The Hermitage Park,
Dhakoli, Zirakpur, Distt SAS Nagar.
(M: 9417795435, 8837696106)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Plot No 3, Sector- 35A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Plot No 3, Sector- 35A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6745 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
27.07.2023	----	28.08.2023	----	16.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Vikram Singh (M; 9417795435)

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated **01.07.2026**, whereby one final opportunity was granted to both parties to appear before the Commission and present their case.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. The appellant, Sh. Vikram Singh, submitted that the requisite information has still not been received. The respondent has remained absent for the **third consecutive hearing** and has neither filed any written submission nor submitted a compliance report, despite opportunities granted by the Commission.
3. The continued absence of the respondent and failure to demonstrate compliance with the Commission's directions are viewed seriously. Accordingly, **a show-cause notice is issued to the Public Information Officer, O/o Secretary, Department of Local Government, Punjab**, to explain why penal proceedings under **Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005**, should not be initiated for failure to discharge statutory duties under the Act. The PIO is directed to file a written explanation, along with a complete point-wise reply and compliance report, and to remain personally present on the next date of hearing.
4. The matter is adjourned to the next date of hearing. **Non-compliance with these directions shall be viewed seriously and dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**
5. With this case, the case is adjourned to **21.01.2027 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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004, Tower No 1, The Hermitage Park,
Dhakoli, Zirakpur, Distt SAS Nagar.
(M: 9417795435, 8837696106)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Plot No 3, Sector- 35A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Plot No 3, Sector- 35A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6746 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
20.07.2023	----	21.08.2023	----	16.10.2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Vikram Singh (M; 9417795435)

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated **01.07.2026**, whereby one final opportunity was granted to both parties to appear before the Commission and present their case.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. The appellant, Sh. Vikram Singh, submitted that the requisite information has still not been received. The respondent has remained absent for the **third consecutive hearing** and has neither filed any written submission nor submitted a compliance report, despite opportunities granted by the Commission.
3. The continued absence of the respondent and failure to demonstrate compliance with the Commission's directions are viewed seriously. Accordingly, **a show-cause notice is issued to the Public Information Officer, O/o Secretary, Department of Local Government, Punjab**, to explain why penal proceedings under **Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005**, should not be initiated for failure to discharge statutory duties under the Act. The PIO is directed to file a written explanation, along with a complete point-wise reply and compliance report, and to remain personally present on the next date of hearing.
4. The matter is adjourned to the next date of hearing. **Non-compliance with these directions shall be viewed seriously and dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**
5. With this case, the case is adjourned to **21.01.2027 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Kapurthala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6899, 6900, 6901, 6902, 6903 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Suket Gupta

Respondent: (i) Sh. Deepak Kumar (M: 9872656788), Clerk

COMMON INTERIM ORDER

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous common interim order dated 19.03.2026.
2. The matter is taken up for hearing today. The appellant submitted that the directions contained in the previous order have not been complied with and that inspection of the relevant records has not been provided. The respondent, Sh. Deepak Kumar, Clerk, requested one more opportunity to comply with the Commission's directions.
3. Accordingly, **Sh. Ravi Pankaj, Superintendent, is directed to ensure compliance with the Commission's previous order and facilitate inspection of the relevant records by the appellant on a mutually convenient date and time.** Copies of the documents identified during inspection shall be provided in accordance with the RTI Act, 2005.
4. The respondent shall ensure that a **compliance report** is filed before the Commission after completion of the inspection and supply of requisite copies, wherever sought and permissible under the Act.
5. The matter is adjourned for further consideration of compliance. Both parties shall remain present on the next date of hearing.
6. With this case, the case is adjourned to **09.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh
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New Madhopuri, Ludhiana (East), Ludhiana.
Pin Code- 141008 (M: 9878871487)
RTI Application No 69754

..... Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7143 of 2023

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of decision/reply, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal received in the Commission
07.06.2023	----	24.07.2023	-----	-----

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated **16.09.2026**.
2. The appellant, vide e-mail dated **06.10.2026**, has expressed his inability to attend today's hearing and requested an adjournment. The said e-mail is taken on record.
3. In the interest of justice, **one final opportunity is granted to the appellant** to file his written submissions, if any, in response to the respondent's reply vide letter No. **2442 dated 14.09.2026**. The respondent shall ensure compliance with the directions contained in the previous order, including furnishing a copy of the reply along with its enclosures to the appellant, if not already supplied.
4. **All other directions contained in the order dated 16.09.2026 shall remain in force.** It is made clear that, in case of non-appearance by the appellant on the next date of hearing, the matter shall be decided on merits on the basis of the material available on record, without granting any further opportunity.
5. With this case, the case is adjourned to **09.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

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H.NO B-24, 3323, Street No 17, Near Kaka Cement,
New Madhopuri, Ludhiana-141008 (M: 9878871487)
RTI Application No 69758

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 7135 of 2023

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order shall be read in continuation of the Commission's previous order dated **16.09.2026**.
2. The appellant, vide e-mail dated **06.10.2026**, has expressed his inability to attend today's hearing and requested an adjournment. The said e-mail is taken on record.
3. In the interest of justice, **one final opportunity is granted to the appellant** to file his written submissions, if any, in response to the respondent's reply vide letter No. **2442 dated 14.09.2026**. The respondent shall ensure compliance with the directions contained in the previous order, including furnishing a copy of the reply along with its enclosures to the appellant, if not already supplied.
4. **All other directions contained in the order dated 16.09.2026 shall remain in force.** It is made clear that, in case of non-appearance by the appellant on the next date of hearing, the matter shall be decided on merits on the basis of the material available on record, without granting any further opportunity.
5. With this case, the case is adjourned to **09.12.2026 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector-16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh
07.10.2026

(Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.