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Sh AvinashGoyal, S/o Sh RajinderGoyal,
H.No 341, Sector-4, Tehsil Amloh,
Mandi Gobindgarh, Distt Fatehgarh Sahib
-147301 (RTI application no. 90450)

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation,
Sector 34-A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o General Manager,
Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation,
Sector 34-A, Chandigarh

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 10 OF 2024

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Manish Bansal, Sr. Assistant (9914812444), Sh.Maninder Singh Brar,PIO (9334300007)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated vide which a show cause notice was issued to the respondent-PIO.

2. Today the appellant is not present. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

3. Respondent states that as directed by the Commission, an affidavit has already been provided to the appellant.

4. Since the appellant is not present hence one opportunity is given to him to appear before the Commission and state his case. Respondent has also filed the reply of show cause notice issued to him. Keeping in view all the facts mentioned in the reply the show cause notice is hereby **dropped**. 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. To come up on **23.09.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

Sd/-
(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
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Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, Advocate,
Chamber No 353A, District Court,
Distt Bathinda. M : 9814230616

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Rampura Phul,
Distt Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Rampura Phul,
Distt Bathinda.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 60 OF 2024

Present :- (i) Sh . Lajpat Rai Garg the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.05.2026 vide which neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2 Today the appellant Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg states that no information has been given to him so far. Respondent is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

3. The record reveals that despite due notice, the respondent has remained absent for the last two consecutive hearings. No written reply, compliance report or request for adjournment has been received by the Commission. The repeated non-appearance of the respondent demonstrates a lack of seriousness towards the proceedings of the Commission and amounts to failure to discharge the statutory obligations under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

4. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, the Commission deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act , 2005, to PIO , Tehsildar , Rampura Phul, Distt. Bathinda as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the

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APPEAL CASE NO. 60 OF 2024

opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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. To come up on **09.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, Advocate,
Chamber No 353A, District Court,
Distt Bathinda.
M : 9814230616

.....Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o ADC(G), Faridkot

First Appellate Authority,
O/o ADC (G), Faridkot

.....Respondent

AC No. 3447 of 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Laj Pat Rai Garg the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None for the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.05.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. Today the appellant Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. Respondent is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence.

4. The perusal of the case file shows that the matter was initially heard by the then State Information Commissioner, Shri Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon, before whom three hearings were conducted. During those proceedings, a show cause notice was issued to the respondent for failure to discharge the statutory obligations under the Right to Information Act, 2005. Subsequently, the matter was transferred to the undersigned. Thereafter, one hearing was postponed and one hearing was pre-poned and on the next two hearings neither the respondent appeared nor any written submission, reply or request for adjournment was received. Even today, despite due notice, the respondent has once again failed to appear before the Commission. Such repeated and deliberate non-appearance reflects a complete disregard for the proceedings of the Commission and amounts to wilful non-compliance with the provisions of the RTI Act.

5. The Commission is of the considered view that the persistent absence of the respondent has unnecessarily prolonged the proceedings and caused avoidable inconvenience, harassment and detriment to the appellant. Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 19(8)(b) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, the Commission awards compensation of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) to the appellant, to be paid by the respondent/public authority.

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AC No. 3447of 2023

6. The respondent is further directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing along with a complete and point-wise compliance report, failing which the Commission shall be constrained to proceed ex parte and consider initiating appropriate proceedings under Section 20 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, without any further opportunity.

7. To come up on **09.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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ShKamalpreet Singh.
E-33, Road No. 25, PDA,
Omaxe City, Patiala (M-9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Govt ITI, Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Punjab
SCO 177-178, Sector 17C, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o Govt ITI, Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 5608 of 2024

Present :- (i) Sh. Kamalpreet Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Rakesh Kumar, Sr. Assistant –cum-APIO (9888548185),
Sh. Devinder Singh, T.O. –cum-PIO (81466477) and Sh. Harminder Singh, Principal
(99880995588)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 17.05.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. The appellant Sh. Kamalpreet Singh states that he is satisfied with the information pertaining to point no. 3 only. Respondent states that the information, as available in their record has been provided to him on 16.07.2024. He further states that the some information sought by the appellant contains third party and, therefore, the same cannot be disclosed. The appellant, however, expressed dissatisfaction with the said stand.

3. After hearing both the parties, it is ascertained that the remaining information is lying with the State Transport Department. Hence State Transport Punjab is impleaded as necessary party. The Commission further direct that PIO, State Transport Punjab to file reply before the next date of hearing. **Copy of the RTI be sent to the Respondent no. 2 alongwith this order.** To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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ShManpreet Singh,
E-33, Road No. 25, PDA,
Omaxe City, Patiala (M-9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

.....Respondent

AC No. 5607 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Rakesh Kumar, APIO (9888548185)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 14.05.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Today the respondent Sh. Rakesh Kumar submitted that the information sought by the appellant contains third party information and, therefore, the same cannot be disclosed. The appellant, however, expressed dissatisfaction with the said stand and submitted that the respondent has wrongly denied the information.

3. The Commission has considered the submissions of both parties. It is observed that if only a part of the record attracts exemption under the RTI Act, 2005, the remaining disclosable information is required to be furnished after severing the exempt portion in terms of Section 10 of the RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly, the respondent is directed to re-examine the RTI application and furnish the information permissible under the RTI Act after severing the exempt or third party portions, if any, in accordance with Section 10 of the RTI Act, 2005. If any part of the information is still denied, the respondent shall pass a reasoned speaking order clearly indicating the statutory provisions under which such denial is made.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :06.08.2026

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ShManpreet Singh,
E-33, Road No. 25, PDA,
Omaxe City, Patiala (M-9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

.....Respondent

AC No. 5606 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh on behalf of the appellant with authority letter
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Rakesh Kumar, APIO (9888548185)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 13.05.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Today the respondent Sh. Rakesh Kumar submitted that the information sought by the appellant contains third party information and, therefore, the same cannot be disclosed. The representative of the appellant Sh.Kamalpreet Singh, however, expressed dissatisfaction with the said stand and submitted that the respondent has wrongly denied the information.

3. The Commission has considered the submissions of both parties. It is observed that if only a part of the record attracts exemption under the RTI Act, 2005, the remaining disclosable information is required to be furnished after severing the exempt portion in terms of Section 10 of the RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly, the respondent is directed to re-examine the RTI application and furnish the information permissible under the RTI Act after severing the exempt or third party portions, if any, in accordance with Section 10 of the RTI Act, 2005. If any part of the information is still denied, the respondent shall pass a reasoned speaking order clearly indicating the statutory provisions under which such denial is made.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Omaxe City, Patiala (M-9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

.....Respondent

AC No. 5605 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh on behalf of the appellant with authority letter
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Rakesh Kumar, Sr Assistant –cum-APIO (9888548185)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.05.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Today the respondent Sh.Rakesh Kumar submitted that the information sought by the appellant pertains to a third party and, therefore, cannot be disclosed. The representative of the appellant Sh.Kamalpreet Singh, however, contended that the respondent has merely denied the information by treating it as third party information without initiating the process under Section 11 of the RTI Act.

3. After considering the submissions of both parties, the Commission is of the view that where the respondent seeks to withhold or disclose information on the ground that it relates to a third party, the procedure prescribed under Section 11 of the RTI Act, 2005 is required to be followed, wherever applicable. Accordingly, in the interest of justice, one opportunity is granted to the respondent to initiate the process under Section 11 of the RTI Act by seeking the views/consent of the concerned third party and thereafter pass an appropriate speaking order in accordance with law. A copy of the same shall also be supplied to the appellant.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)

State Information Commissioner

Punjab

Date :06.08.2026

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E-33, Road No. 25, PDA,
Omaxe City, Patiala (M-9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, State Transport
Punjab, SCO 177-178, Sector 17-C,
Chandigarh, 160017

.....Respondent

AC No. 5604 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh on behalf of the appellant with authority letter
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Rakesh Kumar, Sr Assistant –cum-APIO (9888548185)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.05.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Today the respondent Sh.Rakesh Kumar submitted that the information sought by the appellant pertains to a third party and, therefore, cannot be disclosed. The representative of the appellant Sh.Kamalpreet Singh, however, contended that the respondent has merely denied the information by treating it as third party information without initiating the process under Section 11 of the RTI Act.

3. After considering the submissions of both parties, the Commission is of the view that where the respondent seeks to withhold or disclose information on the ground that it relates to a third party, the procedure prescribed under Section 11 of the RTI Act, 2005 is required to be followed, wherever applicable. Accordingly, in the interest of justice, one opportunity is granted to the respondent to initiate the process under Section 11 of the RTI Act by seeking the views/consent of the concerned third party and thereafter pass an appropriate speaking order in accordance with law. A copy of the same shall also be supplied to the appellant.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Kamalpreet Singh, # E-33, Road No. 25
PDA Omaxe City, Patiala (9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 5603 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Manga Singh, PIO (9023312433), Sh.Balwinder Singh,
Suptd (9914219912) and Sh. Vikramjit Singh, Clerk (7888834855)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 23.04.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Respondent states that the information has been sent to the appellant. The appellant Sh. Kamalpreet Singh states that he is not satisfied with the information.

3. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, the appellant is directed to inspect the record in the O/o respondent. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on **25.08.2026**, inspect the relevant records identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provide copies thereof, according to his RTI application, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent-PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant for the inspection of record.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30 AM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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PDA Omaxe City, Patiala (9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 5602 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Manga Singh, PIO (9023312433), Sh.Balwinder Singh,
Suptd (9914219912) and Sh. Vikramjit Singh, Clerk (7888834855)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 22.04.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Today the Respondent states that the information has been sent to the appellant. The appellant Sh. Kamalpreet Singh states that he is not satisfied with the information.

3. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, the appellant is directed to inspect the record in the O/o respondent. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on **25.08.2026**, inspect the relevant records identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provide copies thereof, according to his RTI application, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent-PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant for the inspection of record.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30 AM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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PDA Omaxe City, Patiala (9032023008)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Technical Education and Industrial
Training, Punjab, Sector 36, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 5601 of 2025

Present :- (i) Sh.Kamalpreet Singh the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Manga Singh, PIO (9023312433), Sh.Balwinder Singh,
Suptd (9914219912) and Sh. Vikramjit Singh, Clerk (7888834855)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 21.04.2024 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 04.09.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 in the Commission.

2. Respondent states that the information has been sent to the appellant. The appellant Sh. Kamalpreet Singh states that he is not satisfied with the information.

3. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, the appellant is directed to inspect the record in the O/o respondent. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on **25.08.2026**, inspect the relevant records identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provide copies thereof, according to his RTI application, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent-PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant for the inspection of record.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30 AM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Ms Manju Sharma,
w/o Late ShNaresh Sharma,
House No. 359, Old Sarai,
Near SatpalKaliya Di Puranikothi,
Khanna, Distt Ludhiana

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o PSPCL, Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o CMD, PSPCL, Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No 494 of 2024

Present :- (i) Sh .Adarsh Kumar on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Arsh Kapoor, Under Secretary (9646110736), Sh.Bharat Bhushan, Sr. Assistant (988874938) and Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Sr. Assistant (7009509858)

ORDER

The record reveals that during the previous hearing dated 26.11.2025, the respondent had appeared before the Commission along with the information and the same was taken on record. Although the appellant did not attend the hearing, Sh.Adarsh Kumar appeared after the hearing with authority letter and the information was supplied to him. Further the liberty was granted to the appellant to approach the Commission within one month, in case he remained dissatisfied with the information supplied. Accordingly, on the request of the appellant dated 05.05.2026, the present appeal was reopened.

2. Today, Shri Adarsh Kumar, appearing on behalf of the appellant with authority letter and submitted that the information supplied is incorrect and that the copies furnished are not attested. However, no specific discrepancy in the information supplied has been pointed out. Hence, he is directed to send written deficiencies to the respondent as well as to the Commission within twenty days from the receipt of this order. Further the respondent is directed that whatever deficiencies remain in the matter of information demanded by the Applicant should be made good before the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh.Ankit Sehgal,C/o Bombay Sehgal,
Near Main Post office Chowk,
Pathankot

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO,MC, Tarn Taran

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC (UD) Tarn Taran

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 402 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2026 passed by the Commission vide which neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2. Today again neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The appellant has sent an email mentioning therein that he is unable to attend today's hearing. He adds that he has received the information pertaining to Point No. 1 and Point No. 3. But not received the information pertaining to Point No. 2.

3. Since both the parties are not present today, hence one last opportunity is given to them 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. To come up on **08.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

Sd/-
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C/o Bombay Sehgal,
Near Main Post office Chowk,
Pathankot

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Kapurthala

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Kapurthala

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 409 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2026 passed by the Commission vide which neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2. Today again neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The appellant has sent an email mentioning therein that he is unable to attend today's hearing. He adds that no information has been given to him so far.

3. Since both the parties are not present today, hence one last opportunity is given to them 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. To come up on **08.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh Prem Kumar Rattan, (M-85095-80002)
s/o Sh Ayodhya Prashad,
R/o H.No 78/8, Park Road,
New Mandi, Dhuri, Tehsil-Sangrur

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Nagar Council, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC (G) Sangrur

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 288 of 2024

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2026 passed by the Commission vide which neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2. Today again neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The appellant has sent his submission, which are taken on record.

3. Since both the parties are not present today, hence one last opportunity is given to them 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. To come up on **08.12.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh.Rohit Sabharwal, President
Kundan Bhawan, 126, Model Gram
Ludhiana

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SMO, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o SMO, Ludhiana

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2814 of 2020

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The instant appeal was earlier decided by the then State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler, vide order dated 02.12.2020, whereby the appeal was disposed of by holding that the information sought by the appellant was exempt from disclosure under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005, being personal information.

2. Aggrieved by the said order, the appellant preferred a writ petition before the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court. The Hon'ble High Court, while setting aside the order dated 02.12.2020, remanded the matter back to the Commission for fresh adjudication in accordance with law. The Hon'ble High Court further directed that the matter be decided within a period of four months.

3. Today, the matter was taken up for hearing. However, neither the appellant nor anyone on his behalf appeared before the Commission. Similarly, none appeared on behalf of the respondent despite due notice.

4. Since the matter has been remanded by the Hon'ble High Court for fresh adjudication and the directions regarding the prescribed time frame are required to be complied with, it is considered appropriate to grant one more effective opportunity to both parties. Accordingly, the above said appeal case is adjourned on **25.08.2026 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Both parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing along with all relevant records. In case of their non-appearance, the matter shall be decided on the basis of the material available on record and in accordance with law, without granting any further opportunity. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Kamaljeetsingh, S/o Sh. Jagjeet Singh
Ward No. 6, Street No.15, Rori Road,
Tehsil Talwandi Sabo, Distt.Bathinda
- 151302 (9464664343)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
Mohali

First Appellate Authority
O/o Principal Chief conservator of Forest
Mohali

.....Respondent

AC No. 358 of 2025

Present :- None for the parties

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 21.10.2024 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 07.01.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC Facility in the O/o DC Bathinda. Whereas the respondent was directed to be present in the Commission office.

2. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present.

3. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to file point-wise specific reply, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records, failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on 22.10.2026 at 11:30AM for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Ashutosh Bansal, S/o
Pritam Chand, SCF 46 A, Mall Road
Hanuman Chowk,
Tehsil and Distt. Bathinda-151001
(RTI Application no.64965)

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO Improvement Trust,
Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o DC, Bathinda

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4716 OF 2023

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) Sh AshutoshBansal, appellant
(ii) For the respondent :Sh Rajinder Kumar, EO (98761-39242)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.06.2026 vide which one last and final opportunity is given to the respondent to appear before the Commission and state his case.

2. The appellant states that the complete information has not been provided to him.

3. The respondent reiterates that the information available in their official record has been provided to the appellant. Rest of the information as pointed out by the appellant are not specific.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, the appellant is directed to inspect the record in the O/o respondent. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on **07.08.2026**, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provide copies thereof, according to his RTI application, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The respondent-PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant for the inspection of record. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties. sd/-

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Charanjit Bansal, S/o Sh. Tarsem
Bansal, Ward No. 2, Tehsil and Distt. Bathinda
151101 (9815066027)
(RTI application no. 145063)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director Health Services, Punjab
Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector 34-A,
Chandigarh, 160034

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director Health Services, Punjab
Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector 34-A,
Chandigarh, 160034

.....Respondent

AC No. 230 of 2025

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) None for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Dr Rajinder Kaur, Asstt. MO (82644-20465) O/o Incharge,
ESI Dispensary, LehraMuhabat, zonalludhiana

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 17.09.2024 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 01.01.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC Facility in the O/o DC Bathinda.

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

3. The respondent appearing on behalf of the respondent states that the RTI of the appellant has been forwarded to them by the respondent O/o Director, health services, Punjab. She further adds that the information has been sent to the appellant. She has also filed the copy of the same through e-mail.

3. In view of the above, the copy of the information, as filed by the respondent is sent to the appellant along with these orders, with an opportunity point out deficiencies, if any, to the respondent before the next date of hearing, with a copy to the Commission. Further, the appellant is also given an opportunity to appear before the Commission and state his case, failing which appropriate orders in his absence shall be passed. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

4. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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ShMander Singh, (m-98158-14400)
S/o ShGurdeepsingh,
House no. 10897, Street No. 20,
Guru TegBahadur Nagar, Bathinda
(RTI application no.122596)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Bathinda

.....Respondent

AC No.5698 of 2024
(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) ShMander Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent :ShVikramjeet Singh, Corporation Engineer (works branch)
(96994-55341)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.06.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant reiterates that he has not received the letter through which the respondent has demanded the fee from him.
3. The respondent states that he has brought the information today to be provided to the appellant. Hence, information running into 6000 pages is handed over to the appellant. The appellant has sought time to peruse the same.
4. Considering the request of the appellant, an opportunity is given to him to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information provided, to the respondent before the next date of hearing, with a copy to the Commission.
5. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh.Amit Gupta, S/o Sh. Surender Kumar,
House No. 09567, MCB Zone 2,
Street No. 10A, Ajit Road, Bathinda - 151001

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Bathinda

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 509 OF 2024

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) ShMadanlal, on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent :Ms ArshdeepKaur, SrAsstt. (license Branch)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.05.2026 vide which the respondent was directed to provide information pertaining to point no's 3,4,5,6 and 8 to the appellant.

2. Today the respondent states that the information pertaining to point no. 7, as related to them and as available in their official record, has been provided to the appellant.

3. The representative for the appellant states that the information provided at point no. 7 is not complete and he is not satisfied with it.

4. In view of the above, the respondent-PIO is directed to file his reply, pertaining to point no.7, on affidavit on the next date of hearing. The affidavit should be on a stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and notarized by the notary public. Further, the appellant also intimates that the rest of the information has not been provided to him.

5. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.



APPEAL CASE NO. 509 OF 2024

6. It has also been observed that, for the convenience of the parties, the case was taken up for hearing through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda. Yet the respondent has not even bothered to attend the hearing today. This conduct leads to wastage of the Commission's limited time and public resources. Further, upon enquiring, Ms ArshdeepKaur, SrAsstt, submits that a Superintendent level employee has been designated as their PIO.

A copy of this order is sent to *Commissioner, MC Bathinda* to ensure that only Gazetted Officer-level officers are designated as Public Information Officers (PIOs) and Assistant Public Information Officers (APIOs) in strict compliance with Section 5 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 and the Larger Bench decision of this Commission in Complaint Case No. 2301 of 2013 dated 10.06.2014. A compliance report, along with copies of the revised notifications/orders, shall be submitted before this Commission on the next date of hearing. Further, she shall also ensure the presence of the respondent-PIO on the next date of hearing along with the complete information.

7. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda.** Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

**Sd/-
(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

*CC: Ms Lovejeet Kaur Kalsi, PCS (for complainece)
Commissioner, MC Bathinda*

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Sh.MadanLal, S/o Sh. Om
Parkash , Zone 2 H No. 10803,
Street No. 18, Guru TegBahadur Nagar
Parinda Road 18, Bathinda - 151001

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC, Bathinda

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 615 OF 2024

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) Sh.MadanLal, appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.05.2026 passed by the Commission.

2. The appellant states that the information pertaining to point no.1 and 2 has not been provided to him.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. They have not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence.

4. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored and set aside without application of mind which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information.

5. It has also been observed that, for the convenience of the parties, the case was taken up for hearing through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda. Yet the respondent has not even bothered to attend the hearing today. This conduct leads to wastage of the Commission's limited time and public resources. ***Hence, a copy of this order is sent to Commissioner, MC, Bathinda to ensure the presence of the respondent-PIO on the next date of hearing along with the complete information.***

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APPEAL CASE NO. 615 OF 2024

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda.** Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :06.08.2026

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Zone -2 H No. 10803, Street No. 18
Guru TegBahadur Nagar
Parinda Road 18, Bathinda -151001

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o MC, Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, MC ,Bathinda

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 658 OF 2024
(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) Sh.MadanLal, appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.05.2026.

2. The appellant states that the information pertaining to point no.1 to 6 has not been provided to him.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the respondent today. They have not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence.

4. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. It is abundantly clear that such matters are being ignored and set aside without application of mind which reflects disrespect towards that RTI act 2005 itself. The Commission expressed its displeasure on the casual and callous approach adopted by the Respondent in responding to the RTI application. It is felt that conduct of Respondent is against the spirit of the RTI Act 2005, which has been enacted to ensure greater transparency and effective access to the information.

5. It has also been observed that, for the convenience of the parties, the case was taken up for hearing through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda. Yet the respondent has not even bothered to attend the hearing today. This conduct leads to wastage of the Commission's limited time and public resources. Hence, a copy of this order is sent to *Commissioner, MC, Bathinda* to ensure the presence of the respondent-PIO on the next date of hearing along with the complete information.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 658OF 2024

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda.** Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Date :06.08.2026

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Parinda Road 18, Bathinda-151001.
M : 9872367068

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o ADC (Urban Development), Faridkot.

Public Information Officer,
O/o ADC (General), Faridkot

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC (Urban Development), Faridkot.

.....Respondent

AC No. 433 of 2023

Present :- (i) ShMadanLal, appellant (through VC in the O/o DC Bathinda)
(ii) For the respondent :ShAmritLal, EO (96460-60808)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.06.2026 vide which one last opportunity was given to the respondent to appear before the Commission and state his case.

2. The appellant states that the complete information has not been provided to him.

3. The respondent has sought time today. Further, he has also requested that the copy of the RTI application be provided to him.

4. Hence, the RTI of the appellant is handed over to the respondent with directions to provide the complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing and also file their reply, failing which appropriate action shall be taken against the respondent-PIO. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **22.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Bathinda**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Raj Kumar, S/o Sh. KundanLal,
R/o House No. E- 648, Street Munshi,
RamMehra, Near Ram KirtanMandir,
Fazilka (7973313730)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/oBDPO,Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Fazilka

.....Respondent

AC No. 107 of 2025

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Bathinda)

Present :- (i) Sh Raj Kumar, Appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.09.2024 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 23.12.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC Facility in the O/o DC Fazilka

2. Sh Raj kumar, appellant states that no response whatsoever has been received from the respondents till date. No one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s). Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **14.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Fazilka**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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Sh. Om Parkash S/o sh.Rawat Ram
R/o Village DangarKhera, Tehsil Abohar
Distt.Fazilka (9023550223)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/oBDPO,KhuiyaSarwar at Abohar

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC (D), Fazilka

.....Respondent

AC No. 115 of 2025

(Heard through Video-conferencing in the o/o DC, Fazilka)

Present :- (i) Sh Raj Kumar, appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 19.08.2024 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 24.12.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC Facility in the O/o DC Fazilka

2. Sh. Om Parkash, appellant states that no response whatsoever has been received from the respondents till date. No one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s). Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing this, the Commission shall proceed to decide the matter on the basis of the material available on record and may issue appropriate directions in accordance with law. To come up on **14.10.2026 at 11:30AM through Video conferencing facility in the O/o DC Fazilka**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Daljit, S/o Sh.Avtar Singh,
Village Beganwali, Tehsil and Distt.Fazilka
9876867180
(RTI application no. 133678)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC (Rural Dev.) Fazilka

.....Respondent

AC No. 181 of 2025
Through Video Conference facility in the O/o DC Fazilka

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 20.07.2024 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 01.01.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC Facility in the O/o DC, Fazilka.

2. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to file point-wise specific reply, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records, failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated.

3. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte. To come up on 21.10.2026 at 11:30AM for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :06.08.2026

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..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
O/oDDPO ,Fazilka

.....Respondent

AC No. 763 of 2025
Through Video Conference facility in the O/o DC Fazilka

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 04.11.2024 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 24.01.2025 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.08.2026 through VC facility in the O/o DC, Fazilka.

2. The appellant is not present today. However, he has filed his submissions vide Commission diary no. 15523 dated 05.08.2026, which is taken on record.

3. The respondent is not present today. He has not even informed the Commission about his absence.

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