

# PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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**Shri Pardeep Kumar, (97799 67806)**

S/o Shri Kundan Lal,

VPO Khanpur Dhabba, Jalandhar.

...Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer, (BY NAME)**

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Block Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority, (BY NAME)**

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Jalandhar.

...Respondents

## APPEAL CASE NO. 3869 OF 2022

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of PIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of Order, if any of FAA	Date of Appeal/ Complaint Filed in Commission
23.04.2022	--	08.06.2022	--	23.08.2022

### PRESENT:

Shri Pardeep Kumar, Appellant.

Shri Kashmir Singh, Panchayat Secretary along with Shri Preet Kanwaljit Singh, Jr. Engineer (76529 74438) for the Respondents

### ORDER (SECOND HEARING):

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 20.12.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The Appellant states that he has received incomplete and unattested information but after the delay of 11 months period.
3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.
4. The perusal of the record reveals that in this case the appellant has tried her best to get the information from the PIO who failed to provide the information to the appellant within stipulated period. He has been made to run from pillar to post for getting the information, which he could not get even after the notice was issued by the Commission in the Second Appeal. He has suffered unnecessary detriments/harassment in getting the information at the hands of the PIO.
5. I have also looked into all the facts and circumstances of the case. In my view this is a fit case, where award of compensation under Section 19 (8) (b) is also called for. I have no doubt in my mind that this state of affairs has also come about on account of the absence of adequate machinery for handling the RTI work in O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Nakodar, District Jalandhar is thus, responsible for the inadequate handling of the RTI request and in the instant case as well. I, therefore, order that **compensation of Rs. 10000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)** be paid to the appellant for the detriments suffered by him.

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6. This amount shall be payable from the funds of O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Nakodar, District Jalandhar by way of crossed Cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Shri Pardeep Kumar within one month.
7. The PIO is directed to send a copy of Cheque/Demand Draft to the Commission to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.
8. The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Jalandhar is also directed to ensure compliance of the order from his respective subordinates, before the next date of hearing.
9. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **24.05.2023 at 11:30 AM in the Commission**. Both the parties are directed to present their case personally. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
03.04.2023**

Sd/-  
**(Maninder Singh Patti)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**