

S. Hardeep Singh S/o Sh. Tarsem Lal,  
Village Nurpur, Tehsil Banga,  
District SBS Nagar-144502

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Distt. Food Supply Controller,  
SBS nagar-144502

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o The Director,  
Food Supply & Consumer Affairs,  
Punjab, Sector 39-C,  
Chandigarh

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2240 of 2022**

**PRESENT: Sh.Hardeep Singh as the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 01.07.2021 has sought copies of verification forms relating to the beneficiaries of atta dal scheme(blue cards holders) whose names were deducted and cancelled in the year 2019 & 2020 - discontinued copy of inspection report/raids during 01.04.2021 to 06.12.2021 – details of cards issued again after their names were removed from the beneficiary list - a copy of the verification form of Sh.Jit Ram s/o Maluk Chand card No.SBS44-65195 as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of the District Food Supply Officer, SBS Nagar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 10.08.2021, which did not decide on the appeal. After filing first appeal, the PIO sent a reply on 26.08.2021 to which the appellant was not satisfied and filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC SBS Nagar. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the complete information.

The respondent is absent nor represented.

Having gone through the RTI application and the reply of the PIO dated 26.08.2021, the Commission observes that the PIO has denied the information on point-1 & 3, stating that the information is 3<sup>rd</sup> party and has provided partial information on points 2.

However, there is nothing on record which shows that section 11 of the RTI Act has been followed by the PIO while claiming 3<sup>rd</sup> party exemption.

The PIO is directed to be present personally on the next date of hearing and file an appropriate reply, failure to which attract proceedings under section 20 of the RTI Act.

To come up for further hearing on **22.02.2023** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 02.11.2022**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**