

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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FINAL ORDER

Boota Singh,
S/o Sh. Sohan Singh,
R/o Village Jatt Wali Ram Nagar,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer:
o/o District Forest Officer,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Complaint Case No. 797 of 2022

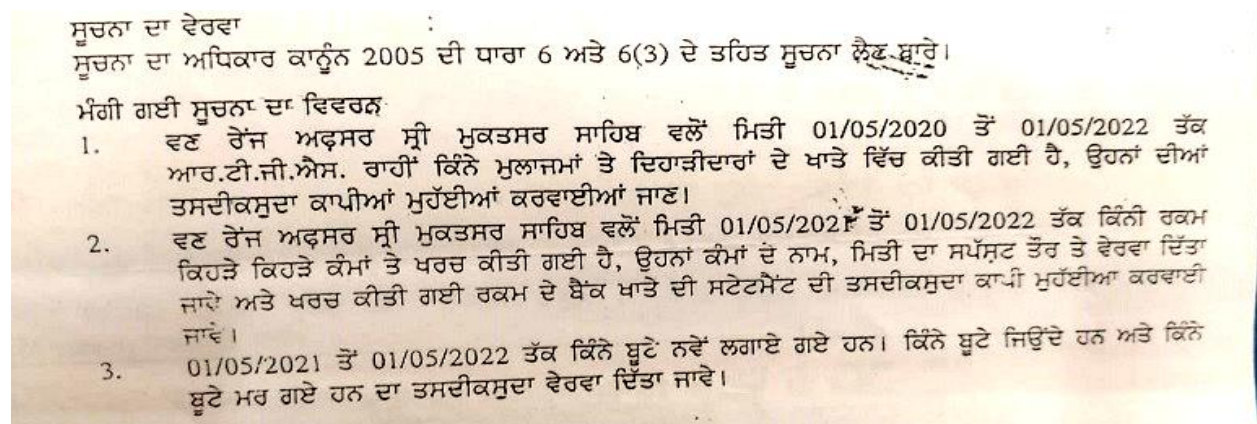
PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent

Hardeep Singh, Forest Range Officer (for the Respondent) 94172-54572

ORDER:

1. The complainant, **Boota Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **25.8.2022** and sought information:-



from the PIO o/o **DFO, Sri Muktsar Sahib**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **17.11.2022**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **13.1.2023**.

2. The Complainant is absent. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Hardeep Singh, Forest Range Officer, has submitted a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide Letter No. 7090 Dated 10.1.2023, wherein he has explained the delay in addressing the RTI application. The respondent also states that the Complainant Sh. Boota Singh has submitted a number of RTI applications repeatedly seeking identical or similar information to harass officials in this Public Authority.

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3. The Commission has examined the reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 5714 Dated 15.11.2022 and is satisfied that there was no malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO to delay/deny the information. On the other hand, it appears evident that the Complainant Sh. Boota Singh has been making/filing repeated RTI applications seeking identical or similar information. The Complainant is cautioned against such conduct in future.

4. This Complaint is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
13.1.2023