



Sh Ram Murti,  
Sandhu Colony, Jalandhar Road,  
Mehta Chowk, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Chief Engineer,  
Operation, PSPCL, Border Zone,  
Amritsar.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 438 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Complainant**  
**Sh.Ramesh Kumar, SDO for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 09.09.2019. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the complainant. The complainant was not satisfied and informed that the PIO has not provided the action taken report on his complaint.

Hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide status of the complaint filed by the complainant.

The case was last heard on **04.12.2019**. The respondent pleaded that the information has already been provided to the appellant in the last hearing. The appellant was absent. At that hearing, the appellant had expressed dissatisfaction.

The PIO was directed to provide whatever action has been taken on the complaint of the appellant filed on 07.12.2018 against Addl.SE-PSPCL Rayya Division and send a compliance report to the Commission.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent present has sought some more time to provide the information. The complainant is absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for compliance on **29.04.2020 at 11.00 AM**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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

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Sh.Sukhman Singh, S/o Sh.Surjit Singh,  
R/o VillageKattianWali, Tehsil Maolut,  
Distt. Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o SDM,  
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 464 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Complainant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 10.09.2019. Both the parties were absent. There had been an enormous delay of one year in attending to the RTI application. The PIO was issued a **show cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. The PIO** was directed to file reply on an affidavit

The PIO was again directed to send complete information to the appellant within 10 days.

The case was last heard on **04.12.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The PIO had also not sent reply to the show cause notice. The PIO was given one more opportunity and directed to file a reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit and be present on the next date of hearing otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action under section 20 of the RTI Act.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

Both the parties are absent. The PIO has not sent reply to the show cause notice. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show cause on an affidavit and be present on the next date of hearing, otherwise, it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say on the matter and the Commission will act as per provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **29.04.2020 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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



Sh.Manjit Singh, S/o Lt Sh. Amar Singh,  
R/o 4780, Shiva Ji Nagar,  
Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Police Station-Anti Theft(PSPCL),  
Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 473 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Complainant**  
**Sh.Hakam Singh, ASI for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 10.09.2019. Since both the parties were absent, in the interest of justice, one more opportunity was granted and the case was adjourned.

The case was last heard on **04.12.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that they have sent the information to the complainant vide letter dated 21.11.2019. The complainant was absent nor had pointed out any deficiency.

The Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of more than one year in attending to the RTI application. The PIO was issued a **show cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time and directed** to file reply on an affidavit.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent has not brought reply to the show cause notice. The PIO is absent. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit otherwise, it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say on the matter and the Commission will act as per provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **05.05.2020 at 11.00 AM**.

Chandigarh  
Dated 02.03.2020

Sd/-  
(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
-Cum- Food Safety Officer,  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 778 of 2019**

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

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The respondent present pleaded that since there was no clarity about the information that was being sought, the appellant was asked vide letter dated 22.11.2018 & 11.01.2019 to clarify the information that he needed, which he did not.

Having gone through the RTI application, it was observed that the appellant had tried to seek information on the steps taken towards implementation of Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005. Section 4 and its subsections pertain to the obligations of the Public Authorities, whereby, the public authorities create a system to maintain records, as well disseminate them suo-motto in easily accessible form, preferably electronic and the Internet, so that the public have minimum resort to use this Act to obtain information.

The Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration, Kharar and Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab were impleaded in this case to give a reply to this RTI query of appellant Jasbir Singh.

Also, as per powers vested Under Section 19(8)(a)(iii) of the RTI Act, the Commission directed the Department of Health & family Welfare to prepare a roadmap for implementation of the Section 4 of this Act and present it at the next date of hearing.

The PIO-cum-Food Safety Officer, Pathankot was also directed to provide any notification, order to act upon Section 4 of the RTI Act.

The case was again heard on **04.09.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that there is no such notification available in their record and they have no website through which the people can obtain the information. The PIO- Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration, Kharar and Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab were absent.

The **Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration, Kharar** was again directed to reply on the status of implementation of section 4 and its sub-sections at all District Level Food Safety departments. The **Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab** was also directed to prepare a road map for implementation of this section and creation of website for computerization of the record of food safety department as provided under section 4 of the RTI Act.

**Appeal Case No. 778 of 2019**

The case was last heard on **03.12.2019**. None was present. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

None is present on behalf of the respondents. At the hearing on 04.09.2019, the PIO-Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration was directed to reply on the implementation of section 4 and its sub-sections at all district level food safety departments. However, the PIO is absent nor has complied with the order of the Commission.

The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the **PIO-Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration, Kharar to show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

A copy of the order is being sent to the **Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab with the** direction to ensure the compliance of this order.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **05.05.2020 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh  
Dated 02.03.2020**

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

- CC to :**
- 1. PIO- Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration,  
Kharar.**
  - 2. Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare,  
Punjab, Chandigarh.**



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Tarn Taran.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Tarn Taran.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 779 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Jasbir Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashwani Kumar, Food Safety Officer for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information even after a period of seven months. The respondent was absent. The PIO was issued a show **cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act and directed to file reply on an affidavit** . The PIO was again directed to provide complete information to the appellant within 15 days.

The case was again heard on **04.09.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was given one more opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and be present on the next date of hearing otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The case was last heard on **03.12.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

The respondent has submitted his reply which is taken on the file of the Commission. However, the reply is not from the PIO. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

To come up for further hearing on **05.05.2020 at 11.00 AM**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 780 of 2019**

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

**ORDER:** The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent is absent.

Having gone through the RTI application, it was observed that the appellant has tried to seek information on the steps taken towards implementation of Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005.

The Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration, Kharar and Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab were impleaded in this case to give a reply to this RTI query of appellant Jasbir Singh. Also, as per powers vested Under Section 19(8)(a)(iii) of the RTI Act, the Commission directed the Department of Health & family Welfare to prepare a roadmap for implementation of the Section 4 of this Act and present it at the next date of hearing.

The PIO-O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur was also directed to provide any notification, order to act upon Section 4 of the RTI Act.

The case was again heard on **04.09.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was given one more opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and directed to be present on the next date of hearing otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action as per provisions of the RTI Act.

On the next date of hearing which was fixed for **03.12.2019**, **both** the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated **02.03.2020**.

The respondent is absent. The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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

**CC to : 1. PIO- Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration,**  
**Kharar**  
**2. Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare,**  
**Punjab, Chandigarh.**



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Tarn Taran..

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Tarn Taran.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 785 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Jasbir Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashwani Kumar, Food Safety Officer for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The appellant informed that he has received reply from the PIO vide letter dated 29.01.2019 stating that they have not issued any license. The appellant was not satisfied and stated that there are so many manufacturers, wholesale and retail outlets in the District and some-one must have applied for registration and issue of license and have submitted documents.

The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide the information about the vendors who have applied for registration and issue of license.

The case was again heard on **04.09.2019**. Both the parties were absent. In the interest of justice, one more opportunity was granted and the PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the explanation for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act

The case was last heard on **03.12.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

Chandigarh  
Dated 02.03.2020

Sd/-  
(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commissioner





Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur..

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 786 of 2019**

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

**ORDER:** The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The Commission has received an email from Food Safety Officer O/o Civil Surgeon, Ferozepur whereby the PIO has sent reply to the appellant on 12.06.2019 stating that they have not issued registration certificates and license under FSSAI. The appellant was not satisfied and stated that there are so many manufacturers, wholesale and retail outlets in the District and some-one must had applied for registration and issue of license and had submitted documents.

The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide the information about the vendors who have applied for registration and issue of license.

The Commission also observed through cases of similar nature, that no distiller, blender or vendor of liquor seemed to have applied for FSSAI certificate, which appears to be in contravention of the FSSAI law, which makes it mandatory to have a license. The Commission impleaded the Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab and the Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Kharar in the case to probe into the matter and come out with a fact finding report of the above mentioned observation.

The case was again heard on **04.09.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

The case was last heard on **03.12.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent is absent. The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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

**CC to : 1. PIO- Commissioner, Food & Drug Administration,**  
**Kharar**  
**2. Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare,**  
**Punjab, Chandigarh.**



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal,  
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 788 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Jasbir Singh as the Appellant**  
**Ms.Rashu Mahajan, Food Safety Officer for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 19.06.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provide the information. The respondent was absent and vide email has sought exemption. The Commission also received an email from the PIO-cum-Food Safety Officer O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar whereby the PIO informed that they have sent reply to the appellant on 21.01.2019 stating that they have not issued registration certificates and license under FSSAI. The appellant was not satisfied and stated that there are so many manufacturers, wholesale and retail outlets in the District and some-one must have applied for registration and issue of license and submitted documents.

The PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and provide the information about the vendors who have applied for registration and issue of license.

**The case** was again heard on **04.09.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the explanation for not providing the information within the time prescribed under the RTI Act.

The case was last heard on **03.12.2019**. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent informed that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

Chandigarh  
Dated 02.03.2020

Sd/-  
(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commissioner



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Jamalpur, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Pb, Chd.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Pb, Chd.

...Respondent

**Appellant Case No. 116 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Payara Singh-O/o , STC Pb and Sh.Tarlochan Singh, RTA Ferozepur for**  
**the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on **08.04.2019**. Since both the parties were absent, the case was adjourned.

The case was again heard on **12.06.2019**. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information. The respondent present pleaded that since the information relates to the RTA Ferozepur, they have already transferred the RTI application to the PIO-RTA Ferozepur vide letter dated 30.08.2018. The PIO-Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur was impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application transferred by the STC Punjab on 30.08.2018. The PIO-RTA was also directed to explain the reasons for not attending to the RTI application well within the time prescribed under the RTI Act and appear before the Commission alongwith the explanation on an affidavit.

The case was further heard on **05.08.2019**. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent present from the office of STC Punjab informed that they have already transferred the RTI application to the RTA-Ferozepur since the information relates to them.

The respondent from the office of RTA Ferozepur was absent nor had complied the order of the Commission. The PIO was issued a show cause under **Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file** an affidavit in this regard. The PIO was again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days.

The case was again heard on **13.11.2019**. The counsel for the appellant informed that the PIO has not provided the information to the appellant. The respondent present informed that the RTA Ferozepur has not supplied the information. The PIO-STC Pb was directed to collect the information from the concerned office and provide to the appellant. The PIO was also directed to file reply to the show cause notice otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action against the PIO under section 20 of the RTI Act.

## **Appellant Case No. 116 of 2019**

The case was last heard on **05.12.2019** The respondent present submitted reply of the PIO-RTA Ferozepur which was taken on the file of the Commission. The appellant was absent.

Having gone through the reply of the PIO, the Commission found that the reply was misleading since the appellant had claimed for details regarding the penalty of Rs.15000/- imposed by State Information Commission on Sh Baldev Randhawa, Secretary, RTA Gurdaspur.

The PIO-RTA Ferozepur inspite of show cause, had chosen not to appear before the Commission. The PIO-RTA Ferozepur was given one last opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the reply to the show cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say in the matter and the Commission will be constrained to take action under section 20 of the RTI Act. The PIO was also directed to provide correct information to the appellant.

### **Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

Sh.Tarlochan Singh, RTA Ferozepur is present and submitted his reply which is taken on the file of the Commission. However, the information has still not been provided appropriately.

The PIO-RTA Ferozepur is directed to provide the correct information to the appellant within two days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **18.03.2020 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 02.03.2020**

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

**CC to :PIO-Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur**

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Sh Raj Singh, S/o Sh Ishar Singh,  
R/o Village Todarwal, P.O Babarpur,  
Tehsil Nabha, Distt Patiala

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o SSP,  
Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o IGP, Patiala Range,  
Patiala.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1635 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Hakam Singh, ASI O/o SSP Patiala for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 14.11.2019. The respondent present pleaded that the enquiry in both the cases has been completed and the reports alongwith complete files have been submitted in the courts of Sh.Randeep Kumar, Judicial Magistrate (1st Class)Patiala. The reply has been sent to the appellant. The respondent further informed that the appellant is satisfied with the reply and has agreed to get the information from the concerned court. The appellant had however, asked for supply of copy of FIR only which they will send to the appellant through registered post. The appellant was absent and telephonically had asked for adjournment.

The case was again heard on **23.01.2020**. The respondent pleaded that the appellant be asked to inspect the record and get the relevant information. The appellant had agreed for the same. The appellant was directed to inspect the record by fixing a mutually convenient date and time and get the relevant information. The PIO was directed to allow inspection and provide the information as per the RTI Act before the next date of hearing.

The case was last heard on **17.02.2020**. The appellant informed that despite visiting the office of PIO for three times, the PIO had not provided the record for inspection. The respondent present pleaded that since the enquiry has been completed and the report alongwith complete record has been presented in the court, the information cannot be provided. The copy of FIR was provided to the appellant during the hearing. The respondent was directed to send appropriate reply to the appellant that why information on other points is being denied. The reply be sent within a week.

**Hearing dated 02.03.2020:**

The respondent present pleaded that as per report of SHO, Police Station Tripti Patiala, the enquiry in both the FIR cases has been completed and final report has been filed in the court. The reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant is absent. The case is adjourned.

To come up for further hearing on **05.05.2020 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 02.03.2020**

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