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Sh. Shiv Sunder Aggarwal,  
# 2015/2 A, Shiv Mandir Street,  
Shiv Puri Road, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant  
**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
Sub Registrar (West), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority  
Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 2618 of 2019** (Video Conference Proceeding)

Present:- Shri Shiv Sunder Aggarwal, appellant.  
Shri Vineet, Clerk, on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 07.10.2019 vide which Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar (West), Ludhiana was issued show cause notice for his absence and not supplying the action taken report. In compliance to the order dated 07.10.2019, the respondent-PIO did not supply any information and remained absent on 22.10.2019 without intimation and no explanation has been received in the Commission.

2. The appellant states that complete information has been supplied by the respondents to his satisfaction and he does not want to pursue the matter any further.

3. Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar (West), Ludhiana-cum-PIO was absent on 11.09.2019, 07.10.2019 and 22.10.2019 without intimation.

4. The perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent-PIO compelled the Commission to issue him a formal show cause notice on 7.10.2019 and 22.10.2019 as to why action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005 should not be taken against him and he was also provided an opportunity to file his written reply and also make use of this opportunity of personal hearing under the principles of natural justice.

5. Since the responsibility to ensure timely transmission of the information to the appellant lies on the PIO, Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar, Ludhiana (West) is hereby held guilty for not providing the information on time as prescribed under Section 7,

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which is within 30 days of the receipt of the request, and for repeated and willful defiance of the Punjab State Information Commission's orders.

6. Such kind of failure on the part of the respondent-PIO is totally unacceptable. It is pertinent to mention here that RTI Act has been enacted to ensure participative nature of management between the public & the public authorities and also to know as to what is happening behind the closed doors with regard to the governance affairs of the public authorities and their functioning.

7. After giving thoughtful consideration and due perusal of the facts of the case and the material available on record, I have come to the conclusion that he has failed to perform his duty as per the mandate of the RTI Act, which requires the public servant to ensure due transparency and accountability in its functioning. It has also come out that he has not only failed to perform his duty at his own level but also has shown his casual approach in complying with the explicit order of the Commission.

8. It has been further established from his conduct that he has failed to provide the information even after getting two formal show cause notices from the Commission. This speaks volumes as to how much respect & regard he has in his mind to the provisions of the RTI Act, which mandates that all public authorities will ensure that the RTI Act, 2005 is duly implemented by them, whenever any citizen approaches the public authority to get any public information for which they have right to ask for as per the provisions of RTI Act. In view of the facts mentioned herein, I am of the considered view that Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar, Ludhiana (West)-cum-PIO should be penalised for his negligence in discharge of his statutory duty prescribed under the RTI Act. All his failure put him make me to believe that his sheer neglect to perform his duties will be met only after he is duly taken to task as per the provisions of the RTI Act i.e. Section 20(1), which provides that any delay on the part of the respondent-PIO beyond 30 days is to be penalized @ 250/- per day and to the maximum of Rs. 25000/-

9. Under these circumstances, I am left with no other option but to decide the question of imposition of penalty and quantum thereof upon Sh. Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar, Ludhiana (West) as per the provisions of the RTI Act i.e. Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005. In this case the intervening period is too large, the respondent-PIO failed to comply with the order of the Commission. Accordingly, a penalty of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) is imposed on him.

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10. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs. 5000/- should be deducted from his salary and be deposited in the Government treasury under head "**0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees** under the **Right to Information Act**. The District Revenue Officer, Ludhiana shall ensure that this amount of penalty is deducted from the salary of the above said defaulting official for the month of November, 2019 and deposited in the Treasury under the relevant head and sent compliance report to the Commission on or before 22.12.2019.

11 Further the Commission is of the view that since the appellant has had to suffer undue inconvenience to get the information, it is a fit case for awarding compensation to the appellant under Section 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act.

12. The Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar, Ludhiana (West) is directed to pay an amount of Rs.5000/- via demand draft drawn through Government Treasury as compensation to the appellant for the loss and detriment suffered by him of having to file the appeals and not getting the information in time. The PIO is directed to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof of having compensated the appellant.

13. Complete information has been provided to the appellant to his satisfaction and he does not want to pursue the matter any further. Hence, for supply of information, the instant case is disposed of. The District Revenue officer is directed to send compliance report after paying RS.5000/- as compensation to the appellant and send copies of challan after depositing Rs.5000/- in the Government Treasury.

14. To come up on **06.01.2020** at **3.30 P.M.** to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
Suresh Arora,  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

CC

Shri Kanwar Narinder Singh, Sub Registrar (West), Ludhiana.

The District Revenue Officer, Ludhiana for information and necessary action..

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),  
Village Bholapur, PO Ramgharh,  
Ludhiana.

..... Appellant.

Vs.

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

..... Respondents.

**Appeal Case No.2864/2019**  
(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Pardeep Bhatti, clerk, on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 7.10.2019 vide which the respondents were directed to supply a copy of the instructions to the appellant for filing application of news papers for change of declaration and address etc..

2. The representative of the respondents states that they have sent reply to the appellant on 5.9.2019 stating that there are no instructions regarding change of declaration, addition and alteration of address etc. In compliance to the previous order dated 7.10.2019, they specifically mentioned that there are no instructions for charging fee for change of declaration/address etc. to the appellant vide their letter dated 14.10.2019. After the receipt of the reply, the information-seeker has not sent any observation to their office.

3. The appellant was absent on 13.09.2019, 7.10.2019, 22.10.2019 and today without intimation.

4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through the record available on the case file, it is ascertained that the appellant remains absent on four consecutive dates and he has not sent any observation to the respondents and to the Commission, which shows that he is satisfied with the reply sent by the respondents. Hence, the present case is **disposed of** and **closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 04.11.2019

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora),  
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Advocate Satnam Singh S/o S. Ranjit Singh,

R/o Village- Chatha Nakta,

Tehsil- Sunam, District-Sangrur.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,

Block and Tehsil Sunam,

District- Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,

Mini Secretariat,

District-Sangrur.

.... Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3637 of 2019**

(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Kuldeep Singh, Panchayat Secretary, on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 29.06.2018 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 15.01.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The representative of the respondents informed the Commission vide their e-mail dated 4.11.2019 stating that complete information has been provided to the appellant after obtaining receipt from him.

4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and perusing the receipt given by the appellant stating that he has received complete information to his satisfaction. Accordingly, the present case is **disposed of** and **closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Suresh Arora),

Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

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Sh. Sony Singh, S/o Sh. Labh Singh,  
R/o Vill. Bhagwanpura Alias Khatriwala,  
Tehsil- Samana,  
District- Patiala.

.....Complainant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Block- Samana,  
District- Patiala.

.....Respondent

## **Complaint Case No. 873 of 2019**

(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- Shri Sony Singh, complainant, in person.

Shri Kulwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary, on behalf of the  
respondents.

### **ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 23.07.2019 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 30.09.2019 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that till date no information has been provided to him by the respondents till date.

3. The representative of the respondents requests for affording one adjournment so that he could supply the information to the appellant.

4. On the request of the representative of the respondent, lenient view is taken and last adjournment is afforded to supply the information before the next date of hearing failing which the punitive action under the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated.

5. To come up on 29.11.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
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Sh. Ajaib Singh,  
S/o Sh. Bhinder Singh,  
Vill: Bishanpura, P.O: Gajewas,  
Tehsil: Samrala,  
Distt: Patiala.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
Sub Divisional Magistrate, Samana,  
District: Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,  
Deputy Commissioner,  
District: Patiala.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 2914 of 2019** (Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- Shri Ajaib Singh, appellant.

Shri Sandeep Singh, Tehsildar, Samana on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.10.2019 vide which the respondent-PIO was directed to procure the information from the concerned office and supply the same to the appellant before the next date of hearing, which is fixed for today.

2. The appellant states that no information has been received on point No.1 of his application under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. The representative of the respondents states that they have given reminder to the Consolidation Officer, Jalandhar but no reply has been received from them. The representative of the respondents is directed to procure the information from that office and supply the same to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on **3.12.2019** at **3.30 P.M.** to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
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Sh. Jaswinder Singh S/o Sh. Gurmail Singh,  
R/o Village- Chak Sawah Wala,  
Tehsil- Jalalabad, District- Fazilka. ....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Village Development Officer.  
C/o Block Development & Panchayats Officer,  
Block- Guruharsahai,  
District- Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Mini Secretariat,  
District-Ferozepur. ....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3640 of 2019**  
(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- Shri Jaswinder Singh, appellant.  
Shri Randhir Singh, Village Development Officer on behalf of the  
respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 01.08.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 10.08.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that he has sent application dated 1.6.2019 for seeking information under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, the contents of which are as under:-

- 1) ਬਲਾਕ ਗੁਰੂਹਰਸਾਹਾਏ ਦੀ 1995 ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਮਈ 2019 ਤਕ ਅਸੈਸਮੈਂਟ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦੀ

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ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ, 2) ਧਾਰਾ 216 ਤਹਿਤ ਪਿੰਡ ਚੱਕ ਕਾਠਗੜ੍ਹ (ਦਰੋਗਾ) ਦੇ ਸਾਬਕਾ ਸਰਪੰਚ ਭਗਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੂੰ ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਪਾਈ ਸੀ: (ੳ) ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਦੀ ਰਾਸ਼ੀ ਦਸੀ ਜਾਵੇ, (ਅ) ਜੇਕਰ ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਹੋਈ ਤਾਂ ਜਿਸ ਬੈਂਕ ਖਾਤੇ ਵਿਚ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਹੋਈ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਫੋਟੋ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ, (ੲ) ਜੇਕਰ ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਈ ਤਾਂ ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਉਪਰਾਲਿਆਂ ਬਾਰੇ ਦਸਿਆ ਜਾਵੇ, (ੳ) ਪਿੰਡ ਦਰੋਗਾ ਦੀ ਮੌਜੂਦਾ ਪੰਚ ਅਤਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਨੂੰ ਦਸੰਬਰ 2018 ਵਿਚ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਇਲੈਕਸ਼ਨ ਲੜਨ ਸੰਬੰਧੀ ਬਲਾਕ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਗੁਰੂ ਹਰਸਹਾਏ ਵਲੋਂ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤੇ ਨੋ-ਡਿਊ ਸਰਟੀਫਿਕੇਟ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।

3) The representative of the respondents states that no record is available regarding points at Sr. No.1 and 2, but information concerning point at Sr. No.3 may be available with Returning Officer.

4) After hearing both the parties and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that no information is available concerning points at Sr. No.1 and 2 and information concerning point at Sr. No.3, the respondents are directed to get the information from the Returning Officer (of concerned election) under Section 5(4) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 29.11.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora),  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Smt. Shakuntla Devi W/o Sh. Rulia Ram,  
R/o Rambagh Road,  
Guru Ram Dass Marg, Ward No. 3,  
District- Mansa. 151505

.....Appellant  
**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Block- Mamdot,  
Tehsil & District- Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Administrative Complex,  
District-Ferozepur..

Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3674 of 2019**  
(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- Smt. Shakuntala Devi, appellant, at Chandigarh.  
Shri Nishan Singh, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 05.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 15.02.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.10.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided by the respondents till date.

3. The representative of the respondents states that he has sent the information on 30.10.2019 through registered post, which would be received by her within a day or so.

4. On receipt of the information, said to have been sent by the respondents, the appellant is advised to go through the same and revert back to the authorities, in case of deficiencies, within seven days. On receipt of the deficiencies from the appellant, the respondents are directed to remove the same otherwise give in writing that the same is not available in their record before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 3.12.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora),  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Sh. Ankush Gill (Advocate),  
Chamber No. 1, Near Vigilance Office,  
Tehsil Complex,  
District Court, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Administrative Complex,  
District- Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Administrative Complex,  
District- Amritsar

.....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3642 of 2019**

(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Mukesh Kumar, District Revenue Officer, Amritsar on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 08.04.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 01.06.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent, in writing ,through e-mail stating that the information solicited by the appellant is no more required by him because the required information has been verified by the appellant through inspection of the record in this respect. He further requested that the case may be liable to be disposed of and closed.

3. In view of the request of the appellant, the present case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora),  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

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Sh. Palwinder Singh S/o Sh. Narinder Singh,  
R/o Harkrishan Avenue, Near Sai Mandir,  
Tehsil- Ajnala, 143102  
District- Amritsar.

.....Appellant  
**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat, Talwandi Raidadu,  
C/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,  
District- Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Mini Secretariat,  
District- Amritsar

.....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3645 of 2019**  
(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- Shri Palwinder Singh, appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 13.06.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 07.08.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that partial information has been provided to him.

3. After hearing the appellant and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that information has been supplied to the appellant comprising more than 410 pages after deposit of Rs.820/- as requisite fee under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The appellant is advised to go through the same and send specific deficiencies in the information, so provided to him, to the respondents with a copy to the Commission within 7 days. On receipt of the deficiencies from the appellant, the respondents are directed to remove the deficiencies before the next date of hearing otherwise give, in writing, that no information/record is available except which has been supplied to him.

4. To come up on 29.11.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

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Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Sh. Balram Singh Parhar S/o Sh. Ram Rakha,

R/o VPO- Karnana,

Tehsil –S.B.S. Nagar, 144513

District- S.B.S. Nagar.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,

Block- Banga,

District- S.B.S. Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,

Mini Secretariat,

District- S.B.S. Nagar.

..... Respondents.

**Appeal Case No. 3678 of 2019**

(Video Conference Proceeding)

Present:- Shri Balram Singh Parhar, appellant.

Shri Harvinder Singh, Tax Collector, on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 02.07.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 17.08.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that some information has been provided to him without attestation.

3. The representative of the respondents states that complete information has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been left, which could be supplied to him.

4. The appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondents with the original information already supplied to him. The respondents are directed to attest the same. The respondents are further directed to get the concerned file inspected from the appellant and supply copies of the documents after identification on the spot.

5. To come up on 29.11.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-

(Suresh Arora),

Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

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Sh. Ram Pal S/o Sh. Naranjan Dass,  
R/o Village- Kanon,  
Tehsil –S.B.S. Nagar,  
District- S.B.S. Nagar.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o V.D.O,  
Gram Panchayat, Kanon,  
C/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,  
District- S.B.S. Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Mini Secretariat,  
District- S.B.S. Nagar.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3735 of 2019**

(Video Conference Proceeding).

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 28.02.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 04.04.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The respondents are absent without intimation. Video Conference Facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the absence of the respondent seriously, the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant before the next date of hearing, failing which punitive action under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated against him.

4. To come up on 29.11.2019 at 3.30 P.M. through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, S.B.S. Nagar.

Sd/-

Dated : 04.11.2019.

( **Suresh Arora** )

Chief Information Commissioner  
Punjab

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The Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar (by name) for information and to ensure the presence of PIO or his representative during the Video Conference proceedings in future.

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Sh. Ranjit Singh,  
S/o Sh. Sadhu Singh,  
Vill: Moga, P.O: Bhogpur,  
Distt: Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
General Manager,  
The Bhogpur Cooperative Sugar Mills Limited,  
Distt: Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

## **Complaint Case .No. 695 of 2019**

### ORDER

This case was heard on 10.10.2019 and order was kept reserved for pronouncement whether the respondent-sugar mill is a public authority or not.

2. The complainant has sent a copy of order passed in Appeal Cases Nos. 1345, 1346 and 1357 of 2017 titled Shri Surinder Pal Singh and Shri Sukhdeep Singh vs. Fazilika Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd., Bodi Wala Pitha, P.O. Khui Khera, Fazilika by larger bench of the Commission consisting of Shri Yashvir Mahajan, Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla and Shri Avtar Singh Kaler, all Hon'ble State Information Commissioners on 8.5.2019.

3. In view of the order sent by the complainant, after perusing the same , it has come to the notice that Fazilika Coop. Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd. Filed two Civil Writ Petition bearing Nos. CWP No.14507 of 2018 and 14097 of 2019 titled as Fazilika

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Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd. Vs. Punjab State Information Commission and another.  
Justice Shri Rajiv Naraina, Hon'ble Judge of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court  
has passed the following interim order on 30.05.2018 staying the order of the  
Commission:-

**"168                    CWP No.14097 of 2018.**

**Fazilka Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd. Vs. PSIC & another.**

**Present:-Mr. Rahul Sharma-1, Advocate for the petitioner.**

**Cites Thalappalam Se. Coop. Bank Ltd. & others vs. State  
of Kerala & others, (2013) 16 SCC 82.**

**Notice of motion, returnable by 24.08.2018.**

**In the meantime, operation of the order dated 08.05.2018  
passed by the Punjab State Information Commission shall  
remain stayed till further order."**

In view of the above orders passed by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court  
dated 30.5.2018 in the aforementioned Civil Writ Petitions, the proceedings in the  
present case are adjourned sine die.

Dated: 04.11.2019.

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora),  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.