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Ms Priti Puri,
R/o # 1803, Ground Floor, House Fed Complex,
Phase-X, Mohali.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Department of Rural & Development Panchayat,
Phase-8 S.A.S Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director of Rural and Development Panchayat,
Department of Rural & Development Panchayat,
Phase-8, S.A.S Nagar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3032/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
21.03.2018	Nil	28.04.2018	Nil

Present: **None on behalf of the Appellant.**
 Sh. Jasbir Singh, Senior Assistant, O/o Director, Rural Dev.
 &Panchayats, Punjab – for Respondents.

ORDER

The following order was passed by this forum on 27.12.2018:

“The appellant had sought to know the information about vacancy position in the year 2007 for the recruitment of teachers in the office of Zila Parishad, Amritsar.

The respondents state that the entire record has been transferred to the Department of Education and this information is likely to be available in the office of the District Education Officer (EE), Amritsar. They were required to immediately transfer her application to the concerned Public Authority under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act. Nonetheless, they are directed to locate the source of information and transfer the application to the Public Authority within three days from today. The concerned Authority shall provide the information within thirty days of receipt of the communication.”

The case has come up today. Sh. Jasbir Singh, Sr. Assistant appearing on behalf of the respondents submits that in compliance with the order of the Commission her application was

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transferred to the ADC (Dev.), Amritsar.

The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Amritsar is required to file a reply besides arranging to provide the information before the next date of hearing positively.

To come up on **12.03.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

05.02.2019

**Sd/-
(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner**

CC: The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Amritsar, for necessary action.

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Sh. Gian Singh Bajwa,
House no. 39, Sector 18 A,
Chandigarh.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director of Rural and Development Panchayat,
Department of Rural & Development Panchayat,
Sector-62, S.A.S Nagar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3039/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
23.03.2018	Nil	04.05.2018	Nil

Present: **Sh. Gian Singh Bajwa, Appellant in person.**
 None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER

The following order was passed by the Commission on 27.12.2018:

“The respondents are absent. The Commission understands that the polling for the panchayat elections in the State of Punjab is being held shortly. Their absence may be attributed to their occupation with the same.

The appellant submits that the information sent by respondents is deficient. Even the one sent is uncertified. The appellant is directed to specify the deficiency and intimate it to the respondents with a copy to the Commission. The respondents shall ensure that they make good the deficiency positively and inform the Commission before the next date of hearing.”

The case has come up for hearing today. The respondents are still absent. Nothing has been heard from them also. According to the appellant the status quo remains despite a communication sent by the appellant to the respondents on 11.01.2019. The Commission takes a serious note of the apathy shown by the respondents. Apparently they have rendered themselves liable for imposition of penalty.

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The PIO – cum – Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer is issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

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Sh. Gagandeep Singh Janjua,
Vilage-Tura, PO-Kumbh,
Tehsil-Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub District Magistrate,
Land Acquisition Collector,
Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sub District Magistrate,
Fatehgarh Sahib.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3042/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
11.06.2018	Nil	19.07.2018	Nil

Present: None.

ORDER

The complainant is absent on trot without intimation. Seemingly, he is satisfied with the turn of events towards provision of information. No action is called for.

Disposed.

05.02.2019

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Sh. Ashok Kumar,
R/o Village-Lahri Bawian,
Tehsil & District – Pathankot (Punjab).

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Gharota,
Tehsil & Distt. Pathankot (Punjab).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Gharota,
Tehsil & Distt. Pathankot (Punjab).

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3073/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
09.04.2018	Nil	24.05.2018	Nil

Present: None.

ORDER

The complainant is absent on trot without intimation. Seemingly, he is satisfied with the turn of events. No action seems called for.

Disposed.

05.02.2019

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Sh. Sohan Singh,
S/o Sh. Sucha Singh,
Village-Bara, PO-Pathreri Jattan,
Tehsil & Distt. Roopnagar.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Roopnagar.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.958/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
18.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil

Present: **None on behalf of the Complainant.**
 Sh. Ranjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary, BDPO Office, Roopnagar – for Respondent.

ORDER

The following order was made by this forum on 27.12.2018:

“The appellant is seeking a copy of the proceedings book of the gram panchayat of village Bara, Tehsil and District Ropar entailing the record of the meetings held during the period from 01.01.2013 to 17.07.2018 onwards. The details of various grants received and the expenditure incurred with their supporting bills etc. have also been sought.

Sh. Ranjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondent says that they have provided him the entire information. The perusal of the reply sent suggests that the requisition has been dismissed as unsustainable for the reason of its being in question form.

The Commission feels that the provision of record for five years shall be an onerous affair and certainly consume a massive stationery. It shall be in the fitness of things that an inspection of the record is allowed and the complainant is provided with certified copies of the documents he is looking for. The Commission feels that one hundred fifty pages at the most should suffice to serve the public cause. The respondent shall convey him the specific time after mutually arriving at a convenient date and clinch the aforesaid directions.”

The case has come up today. The complainant is absent. Sh. Ranjit Singh,

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Panchayat Secretary, appearing on behalf of the respondent says that the appellant did not report despite having been asked on numerous occasions. The respondent is directed to convey him a definite date and time in writing for the inspection of record and provide him the certified copies as already mentioned in the aforesaid order.

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05.02.2019

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Sh. Narinder Singh,
S/o Sh. Manjit Singh,
R/o Ward No. 12, Ajnala,
Tehsil Ajnala, Distt. Amritsar.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Ajnala, Distt. Amritsar.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.967/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA
13.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil

Present: None.

ORDER

The complainant is absent on trot without intimation. Seemingly, he is satisfied with the turn of events. No action seems called for.

Disposed.

05.02.2019

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Sh. Gian Chand,
S/o Late Shri Lachhman Das,
R/o Village Sanghol, Tehsil Khamano,
Distt Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Khamano, Distt Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Fatehgarh Sahib.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.4313/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
23.08.2018	Nil	03.10.2018	Nil	13.12.2018

Present: Sh. Gian Chand, Appellant in person.
Sh Hari Chand Sharma, Panchayat Secretary, BDPO Office, Khamanon – for Respondents.

ORDER

The appellant had sought copies of resolutions passed by Sh. Manjit Singh, Administrator of gram panchayat of Village Sanghol and the details of expenses incurred by him during the currency of his incumbency.

Sh. Hari Chand Sharma, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondents has brought along the information which has been handed over to the appellant in the Court itself. He is satisfied with the same. However, a copy of the letter vide which reportedly a requisition of an amount of Rs.10 lacs was made by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Fatehgarh Sahib has not been provided. The respondents should also provide the same before the next date of hearing positively.

To come up on **12.03.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

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Sh. Sarja Singh,
S/o Late Shri Kaka Singh,
R/o Village Sibal Majra, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt Mohali.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,,
Kharar, Distt Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Mohali.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.4322/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
14.03.2018	Nil	04.07.2018	Nil	13.12.2018

Present: Sh. Sarja Singh, Appellant in person.
Sh. Jagmohan Singh, Panchayat Secretary, BDPO Office, Kharar – for Respondents.

ORDER

Sh. Jagmohan Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondents has brought along the information which has been handed over on spot to the appellant. The information relating to Point No. 2 concerns the Department of Water Supply and Sanitation. The PIO in the office of the XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation (RWS), Mohali shall arrange to supply him the information expeditiously.

The Commission feels that sufficient information has been provided. No more action is called for. The appeal is **disposed**.

05.02.2019

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CC: The Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation (RWS), Mohali, for n/a.

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Sh. Balwinder Singh,
S/o Joginder Singh,
Village Rasenheri, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt Mohali.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar,
Kharar, Distt Mohali.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1256/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
20.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	07.12.2018

Present: **Sh. Balwinder Singh, Complainant in person.**
 Ms. Lisha Singla, Patwari, O/o Tehsildar, Kharar – for Respondent.

ORDER

Ms. Lisha Singla, Patwari has come present on behalf of the respondent. She has submitted a copy of reply bearing dispatch No.28 dated 04.02.2019.

The appellant in fact had a grievance about the mis-mention of his father's name in the jamabandi following a mutation.

Strictly speaking, the issue does not fall in the domain of this forum. The Commission feels that a procedure is prescribed to correct such errors in the record. Hopefully, the respondent shall take appropriate action towards redressal of his grievance expeditiously. No action in the Commission is called for.

The appeal is **disposed**.

Sd/-

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Sh. Krishan Kumar,
S/o Shri Ram Partap,
R/o House No 15,
Shivalik Vihar, Block D,
Navagoan, Tehsil Kharar, Distt Mohali.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mohali.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1268/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
04.10.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	13.12.2018

Present: **Sh. Krishan Kumar, Complainant in person.**
 None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER

The Commission takes a serious note as neither a reply has been filed nor anybody is present on behalf of the respondent. The respondent is once again directed to provide him the information under intimation to the Commission before the next date of hearing positively.

To come up on **12.03.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

05.02.2019

Sd/-
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