



Shri Surjit Singh,
S/o Shri S. Harbhajan Singh Sidhu,
Village Ekal Gadda, Tehsil Khadoor Sahib,
Distt Tarn Taran.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Khadoor Sahib, Distt Tarn Taran.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2840/2018

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
26.09.2017	Nil	27.03.2018	Nil	23.08.2018

Present: Sh. Surjit Singh, Appellant in person.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant had sought an information about the details of grants received and developmental works done from 01.01.2015 to 31.03.2017. He submits that despite his various pursuits he has not been able to procure the information from the respondents. The respondents have neither attended the hearing nor have sent reply to explain the cause.

The PIO – cum – BDPO, Khadoor Sahib 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 Complainant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.



-2-

Appeal Case No.2840/2018

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.

To come up on **22.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Tarn Taran.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

**(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner**



Shri Sukhdev Singh,
S/o S. Inder Singh,
VPO Kot Daram Chand Kalan,
Tehsil & Distt Tarn Taran.

Appellant

Versus

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

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2842/2018

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
01.05.2018	Nil	20.06.2018	Nil	27.08.2018

Present: Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Appellant in person.
None is present on behalf of the Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant had sought information on 01.05.2018 concerning various NREGA works having been undertaken in a couple of villages and some allied information.

The respondents have stone-walled the application and the first appeal filed by him. So much so they have failed to file a reply or attend the hearing fixed in video conferencing. The Commission finds it a blatant violation of the provisions of RTI Act. Apparently, the PIO – cum - Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Tarn Taran has rendered himself liable for penal consequences.

He is, thus, 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

Contd...page...2



-2-

Appeal Case No.2842/2018

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.

To come up on **22.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Tarn Taran.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

**(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner**

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Mohinder Pal,
117, Model Town,
Phase-2, Bathinda-151001.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
-cum- Under Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
(RDE - V Branch),
Deptt. of Rural Development and Panchayats,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector – 62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Special Secretary to the Govt. of Punjab,
(RDE – V Br.), Deptt. of Rural Development and Panchayats,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Respondents

Appeal Case Nos.2844 and 2845 of 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
06.04.2018/05.04.2018	Nil	11.06.2018	Nil	27.08.2018/27.07.2018

Present: **Sh. Mohinder Pal, Appellant in person at Commission's office, Chd.**
None on behalf of the Respondents.

Order

As the appellant and the respondents are same and the information sought is identical, single order shall dispose of both the appeals.

The respondents are absent. The appellant is seeking certified copies of some documents which have a bearing on his reversion from the post of Superintending Engineer to the Executive Engineer in the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab. The original applications were filed on 06.04.2018 and 05.04.2018 respectively. The respondents seemingly have stone-walled his applications. The Commission takes a strong exception to their callous and cavalier conduct. They have neither attended the proceedings nor filed any written reply much less supplying the information.

Smt. Manjit Kaur, PIO – cum – Under Secretary to Government of Punjab, (RDE – V Br.) apparently has rendered herself liable for penal consequences. She is, thus, issued a



-2-

Appeal Case Nos.2844 and 2845 of 2018

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 her 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. She may take note that in case she does not file her written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against her ex parte.

To come up on **02.04.2019 at 11.30 AM in Chandigarh.**

06.03.2019

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

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Mohinder Pal,
117, Model Town,
Phase-2, Bathinda-151001.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer ,
O/o Executive Engineer,
Panchayati Raj, Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Senior Engineer,
Panchayati Raj, P.N. circle, Bathinda.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2846/2018

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
21.05.2018	Nil	06.07.2018	Nil	27.07.2018

Present: Sh. Mohinder Pal, Appellant in person at Commission's office, Chandigarh.
None on behalf of the Appellant.

Order

The appellant admits having received the information to his satisfaction.

The appeal is **disposed**.

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner



Shri Sandeep Kumar Maluja,
S/o Shri Om Parkash,
R/o Gali No. 2, Shanidev Mander Wali Gali, Patel Nagar,
Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Malout,
Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2896/2018

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
06.02.2018	Nil	20.04.2018	Nil	29.08.2018

Present: None is present on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Jatinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary – for Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant has sought adjournment. He is seeking a detailed and exhaustive information for the period from 01.01.2013 to 01.01.2017 relating to more or less all the activities of panchayat.

Sh. Jatinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondents says that the appellant has been duly informed vide a communication under registered cover. As the appellant is not present he may like to react in writing.

To come up on **08.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Sri Muktsar Sahib.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Sandeep Kumar Maluja,
S/o Shri Om Parkash,
R/o Gali No. 2, Shanidev Mander Wali Gali, Patel Nagar,
Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Assistant Excise & Taxation Commissioner,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Excise & Taxation Commissioner,
Ferozepur.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2897/2018

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
04.05.2018	Nil	20.06.2018	Nil	29.08.2018

Present: None is present on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Vikram Thakur, APIO – cum – AETO – for Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant has sought adjournment. Sh. Vikram Thakur appearing on behalf of the respondents says that though the information comes in the realm of 'personal information' yet he has been provided with sufficient information. The appellant may like to react on the same.

To come up on **08.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Sri Muktsar Sahib.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email: psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Harjit Singh,
S/o Shri Joginder Singh,
R/o Village Jatiumara,
Tehsil Khadoor Sahib,
Distt Tarn Taran.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Khadoor Sahib, Distt Tarn Taran.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2922/2018

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
02.05.2018	Nil	15.06.2018	Nil	30.08.2018

Present: None is present on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Rajwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary, BDPO office, Khadoor Sahib – for Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant is not present. Sh. Rajwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondents says that on being asked the appellant refused to collect the information.

The respondents are desired to file a written reply before the next date of hearing to the Commission with an advance copy to the appellant who may have to react on the same if he so desires.

To come up on **22.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Tarn Taran.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner



Shri Harpal Singh,
S/o Shri Arjan Singh,
Village Zahadpur,
PO Jaito Sarja, Tehil Batala,
Distt Gurdaspur.

Complainant

Versus

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

Respondent

Complaint Case No.937/2018

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
31.05.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	28.08.2018

Present: Sh. Harpal Singh, Complainant in person.
Sh. Manjinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary, BDPO Office, Batala – for Respondent.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The complainant in fact intends to know the status of possession of land comprised in Khasra No. 91 of the village.

Sh. Manjinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondent submits that he has recently joined. However, the information available with them on the subject was already provided to him. The Commission understands that the issue as it concerns the complainant shall only be resolved with the demarcation of the land by the revenue authorities. He is advised to file the application with the jurisdictional revenue authority who shall arrange to provide the demarcation to the complainant as and when the same is clinched.

No more action is called for as far as the Commission is concerned.

Disposed.

Sd/-

06.03.2019

**(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner**



Shri Gurmail Singh,
S/o Shri Sukhdev Singh,
R/o Village Mann,
Tehsil Malout, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Complainant

Versus

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

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

Respondents

Complaint Case converted into Appeal Case No.948/2018

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
02.02.2018	Nil	23.04.2018	Nil	31.08.2018

Present: Sh. Gurmail Singh, Appellant in person.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

None is present on behalf of the respondents. No written explanation or reply has been filed. The Commission takes a strong exception to the inept and callous attitude of the respondents. It once again directs them to provide the information and file a written reply to the Commission before the next date of hearing. Any laxity shall invite serious consequences.

To come up on **22.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Sri Muktsar**

Sahib.

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner



Smt Nirmal Devi (Panch),
W/o Avtar Singh Jaswal,
VPO Jandli, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat, Distt Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Mahilpur, Hoshiarpur.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3424/2018

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
25.06.2018	Nil	31.07s.2018	Nil	31.08.2018

Present: Sh. Paramjit Singh son of Smt. Nirmal Devi.
Sh. Ranjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary – for Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant had sought information relating to various developmental activities of the panchayat for the period commencing from 01.01.2014 to 31.03.2018. Sh. Ranjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondents says that the appellant was asked to deposit the cost of information amounting to about Rs.1200/-. Having failed to deposit the amount he is not entitled to get the information. The appellant denies about the timely receipt of the requisition from the respondents. Be that as it is, the respondents are directed to allow the inspection of complete record to the appellant on a prefixed date and time duly communicated in writing to him and shall arrange to provide certified documents identified by him to the extent of one hundred pages only.

To come up on **08.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Hoshiarpur.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner



Shri Sukhwinder Singh (Pardhan),
Anti Corruption Trust (Redg),
Machhiwara, Distt Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Machhiwara, Distt. Ludhiana.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3436/2018

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
04.07.2018	Nil	14.08.2018	Nil	08.10.2018

Present: None on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Rupinder Singh, Superintendent, BDPO Office, Machhiwara – for Respondents.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The appellant had sought an information about the details of beneficiaries of the Prime Minister Awas Yojna. The respondents have communicated in writing that he was duly intimated by post under registered cover on 20.11.2018.

The appellant is absent. Apparently the information has been delivered on him. The Commission presumes that he is satisfied with the information provided to him. No more intervention is desirable.

Disposed.

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Satnam Singh,
S/o Shri Baldev Singh,
Village Raipur, Police Station Amargarh,
Tehsil Malerkotla, Distt Sangrur.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block-1, Malerkotla.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.3441/2018

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
05.07.2018	Nil	09.08.2018	Nil	03.10.2018

Present: None on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Barinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary at Commission's off., Chandigarh.

Order

Due to technical glitch the video conferencing could not mature. However, Sh. Barinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary of Malerkotla Block – 1, is present. He submits that that complete information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant may like to react on the submission thus made by the Panchayat Secretary.

To come up on **22.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Sangrur.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Harish Kumar,
S/o Shri Kirtan Pal,
VPO Otalan, Tehsil Samrala,
Distt Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Samiti, Samrala, Distt Ludhiana.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1067/2018

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
17.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	25.08.2018

Present: None is present on behalf of the Complainant.
Sh. Gurminder Singh, Panchayat Secretary – for Respondent.

Order

The case has been heard through video conferencing.

The complainant has asked for copies of resolutions passed on 04.07.2018 and some connected information of village Ojala from the respondents.

Sh. Gurminder Singh, Panchayat Secretary appearing on behalf of the respondent submits that the complainant was informed by a post under registered cover. There is nothing on record to suggest it. The respondent is directed to file a written reply to the notice of the Commission along with the copy of information supplied to him.

To come up on **08.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
Tele No. 0172-2864112, FAX No. 0172-2864125, Visit us @ www.infocommpunjab.com
Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in



Shri Ripu Sudan Sharma,
S/o Shri Bujja Ram Sharma,
Ward No. 2, House No 818,
Garhshankar, Distt Hoshiarpur.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Garhshankar, Distt Hoshiarpur.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1096/2018

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
24.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	04.10.2018

Present: None.

Order

None is present on behalf of the Parties.

The matter is deferred to be heard on **01.05.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Hoshiarpur.**

Sd/-

06.03.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner