



Sh. Nirmal Singh,
S/o Sh. Karnail Singh
R/o Village-Dodra, PO-Kulara
Tehsil-Samana, Distt. Patiala.

Complainant

Versus

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

Respondent

Complaint Case No.309/2019

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
16.01.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	18.03.2019

Present:

**Complainant - Sh. Nirmal Singh;
Respondents- Sh. Kulwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary.**

ORDER:

The following order was made by the Commission on 27.08.2019:

18.07.2019

“The respondents represented by Sh.Kulwant Singh, has brought along with information comprised in about 300 pages which has been handed over on spot to the complainant. The Commission understands that some of the information is yet to be provided. The Commission directs that the respondents should get it inspected on pre-fixed date, time & venue and provide the complainant the documents not beyond 50 pages. The complainant may take snaps or photographs if he needs the same beyond 50 pages. If his demand is beyond the aforesaid limit, he should convince this forum for its use in public interest.”

The case has come up today. Sh. Nirmal Singh is present, who says that he has been denied the inspection of the record as advised by the Commission despite his more than couple of visits in the O/o the BDPO. He further says that the information provided to him is irrelevant and is not germane to the cause he intends to pursue in public interest.

Sh. Kulwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary, who is a deemed PIO in the instant case, is hereby issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit

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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.

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.”

The case has again come up today. Sh. Kulwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary, says that he has not been incumbent of the office of the PIO in contention from last one year. His name wrongly has been conveyed before by the complainant. Nonetheless, he has brought along the record pertaining to all the resolutions passed during the 5 years by the Panchayat comprised in 315 pages, which has been handed over to the complainant on spot. The Commission feels that the appellant has been adequately informed. Even so, on his

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request, the matter is adjourned with observation that the appellant should point out the deficiency if any, in writing, failing which, it shall be presumed that his complaint is vexatious and shall be filed accordingly.

To come up on **14.11.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

10.10.2019

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

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Sh. Pardeep Singh,
S/o Sh. Joginder Singh,
R/o Village-Jeunpura, PO-Kulara,
Tehsil-Patran, Distt. Patiala.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block-Patran, Patiala.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.314/2019

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
25.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	18.03.2019

Present:
Complainant- Sh. Pardeep Singh.
Respondent- Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary.

ORDER:

The following order was made by the Commission on 27.08.2019:

The complainant reiterates that despite his visits to the O/o Panchayat Secretary, no information has been provided. The Panchayat Secretary is stonewalling the information. Having defied the orders of the Commission, it is construed that he is willfully violating the provisions of Section 7 (1) of the Act. Apparently, he has rendered himself liable for penalty.

The Panchayat Secretary is hereby 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.



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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.”

The case has come up today. Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, says that the entire record has been sent by post to the complainant. The complainant has brought along the copies of the information thus received by him. The Commission has seen it. It is quite massive and voluminous. The Commission is convinced that he has been adequately informed. The complainant has not been able to point out any deficiency convincingly. The complaint as such is misplaced and ordered to be **filed**.

10.10.2019

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Sh. Bahadur Singh,
S/o Sh. Gajjan Singh,
R/o House No. 128,
Saini Mohalla, Village-Balongi,
SAS Nagar.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Kharar, SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Kharar, SAS Nagar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.1957/2019

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
26.02.2019	Nil	28.03.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

Present: Appellant- Sh. Bahadur Singh;
Respondents- Sh. Ranjit Singh, BDPO.

ORDER

The following order was made by the Commission on 27.08.2019:

The appellant is seeking a copy of complaint made against Gram Panchayat of Village-Balongi, Kharar with reference to operation of mandi running in village.

The respondents are absent despite issue of a notice. No reply has also been filed. The Commission takes serious view of the same. The original application was filed on 26.02.2019. The stipulated period of providing the information is since over. Prima facie the respondents are liable for penal consequences.

The BDPO, Kharar, is hereby 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



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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.

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.

The case has come up today. Sh. Ranjit Singh, BDPO, is present in person. He has brought along the document sought by the appellant. The copy of which has been handed over to the appellant on spot. The Commission feels that he has been sufficiently informed. No further action is called for. The appeal is **disposed**.

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Sh. Prabhjot Singh,
S/o Sh. Kuljit Singh,
R/o VPO Gujjarwal,
District Ludhiana.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Block Pakhowal, District Ludhiana.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.416/2019

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
04.01.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	01.05.2019

Present: **Complaint- Sh. Prabhjot Singh;**
Respondent- None.

ORDER

The respondent is absent. The complainant had sought an information about the outcome of a complaint filed by him against one Sh. Gurjeet Singh, the then Sarpanch of the Village-Gujjarwal, Block-Pakhowal, District-Ludhiana. The respondent till date has neither filed any reply nor given the information to the complainant.

The original application was filed on 04.01.2019. The PIO 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 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.

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

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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 **14.11.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

10.10.2019

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Sh. Jasvir Singh,
S/o Sh. Swarn Singh
R/o Village-Rasulra,
Tehsil-Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block-Khanna, Ludhiana.

Complainant

Respondent

Complaint Case No.299/2019

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
02.01.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	28.02.2019

Present: Complainant- Sh. Ramesh Sharma, Proxy.
Respondent- Sh. Mohit Kalyan, BDPO.

ORDER:

The Commission has made following observations on 20.08.2019:

18.07.2019

“The complainant is seeking the details of arrears pending recovery, on the basis of which the complainant was rendered ineligible to contest the Panchayat election having been held in December, 2018. Smt. Anuradha, Supdt. O/o BDPO Khanna says that the documents to the complainant have been provided. She submits before the Commission that they have examined the record, no such arrears are pending recovery against the complainant. The respondents are advised to inform him in writing under intimation to the Commission.

20.08.2019

The case has come up today. The respondents are absent. Nothing in writing has been received from them. The complainant submits that he was summoned in the office of respondent to collect the information as desired by the Commission. However, he had to return blank

after a long wait. The Commission takes a serious view of the conduct of the respondent and considers it as a violation of section 7 (1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 as well as defiance of the orders of the Commission.

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The PIO is hereby 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.

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. ”

The case has again come up today. Sh. Mohit Kalyan, BDPO, Khanna, is present. He submits that on account of his preoccupation with the duty in floods, he could not attend the hearing on last date. He further submits that as has already been submitted by the

Superintendent of his office, the available record with reference to the requisition of information by the complainant has been given to him. The Commission feels that the complainant has been sufficiently informed.

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The Commission deems it appropriate to record here that the then BDPO erroneously, probably mischievously, has refused to issue the No Due certificate to the complainant and deprived him of his right to contest the election for the Gram Panchayat. The delinquent conduct is desirable to be looked into by his disciplinary authority. The Commission directs the Director, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat to have the matter probed and take the things to the logical ends. As far as the Commission is concerned, it does not feel the requirement of further intervention.

Disposed.

10.10.2019

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CC: The Director, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat, Sector-62, SAS Nagar.

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Sh. Nonihal Singh
S/o Sh.Amarjit Singh
R/o Ward No.13, Sodhi Farm,
Zirakpur, District Mohali.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Dera Bassi,
Distt. Mohali.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.244/2019

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
10.09.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	08.03.2019

Present: Complainant- Sh. Nonihal Singh.
Respondent- Sh. Ravinder Kumar, Patwari.

ORDER

The following order passed by the Commission on 02.07.2019:

"The complainant has sought information relating to the Shamlat land of villages Lohgarh, Bhabat, Baltana as was reserved at the time of consolidation and its current status. The respondents say that they have advised the concerned Parwari to provide the information on receipt of prescribed fee.

Such a stance is not in keeping with the law. The Commission directs the PIO in the office of Naib Tehsildar, Zirakpur to intimate a definite date, place and time to the complainant in writing within 15 days from today positively and arrange inspection of the relevant record and provide certified copies of the documents identified by him free of charge but not beyond 50 pages. The complainant shall have to justify the demand in case he required it beyond the aforesaid quantum."

The case has come up today. Sh. Ravinder Kumar, Patwari, has brought along the record of Village-Baltana only. He regrets his ignorance about the requisition with



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reference to the villages Lohgarh and Bhabat and assures the Commission that the same shall be provided to the complainant immediately. The complainant may go through the record made available to him and comment in case he intends to do so before the next date of hearing. Meanwhile, the respondents shall ensure the provision of the rest of the records as mentioned above.

The case shall come up for hearing on **03.12.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

10.10.2019

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Sh. Gurmej Singh,
S/o Sh. Atma Singh,
R/o Pir Mohammad,
Tehsil-Zira, Distt. Ferozepur.

Appellant

Versus

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

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No.1211/2019

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
24.12.2018	Nil	28.01.2019	Nil	07.03.2019

Present: Appellant- Shri Gurmej Singh.
Respondents- None.

ORDER:

The following order was passed on 23.07.2019:-

28.05.2019

"The appellant, vide his original application dated 24.12.2018, has sought to know the information about the details of nominations made for the election of Sarpanch and Panches of Gram Panchayat of Village Peer Mohammad, Block Makhu, District Ferozepur and the documents relating to the acceptance or rejection of their nomination papers. Having failed to find response even after filing first appeal with the DDPO, the appellant has been constrained to file 2nd appeal with the Commission.

The Commission has received a memo from BDPO Makhu to the address of SDM Zira to respond to the Commission's notice. The Commission is not inclined to approve the conduct of the BDPO who, apparently, has violated the provisions of RTI Act. The DDPO surprisingly has also failed to discharge his duty as First Appellate Authority which the Commission decries vehemently. In case the information is not available with him, the BDPO should have transferred the application to the concerned authority under Section 6(3) of RTI Act. Having failed to do so, he has made himself liable for penal action under Section 20(3) of the RTI Act.

The BDPO Makhu, District Ferozepur 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,

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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.”

23.07.2019

“Shri Karamjeet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, O/o BDPO Makhu is present along with Sh.Sukhchain Singh, SDO, Talwandi Bhai, who was Returning Officer during Panchayat elections. The respondent says that the record, after the election, was deposited with the BDPO Zira. The normal course for them was to transfer the application to BDPO Zira u/s 6(3) of the RTI Act. Nonetheless, the Commission on the information of respondents directs the BDPO Zira to look into the application which stands transferred to him. He shall immediately look into it and take appropriate action to impart the information to the appellant. Since the Returning Officer is not in the custody of record, he is exempted from further appearance.”

05.09.2019

“The case has again come up today. Sh. Gurmej Singh is present. None is present on behalf of the respondents. It transpires that the date of hearing in the aforesaid

order was inadvertently mentioned as 15.09.2019, whereas in the open court it was announced to be heard on 05.09.2019.



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Meanwhile, the BDPO, Zira, is directed to ensure that the sought for information is provided to the information seeker. In event of his failure, the show cause notice issued to BDPO, Makhu, shall be deemed to be directed to him for imposition of penalty.”

The matter has been taken up today. Sh.Gurmej Singh is present. None is present on behalf of the respondents. A final opportunity is afforded to BDPO Zira to explain his conduct. Be it noted that a show cause notice earlier issued has already been directed against him and no further opportunity shall be afforded. To come up on **31.10.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

10.10.2019

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PS: The Panchayat Secretary, Makhu, came present at 3.15 PM.

CC: The BDPO, Zira, District Ferozepur for necessary action.

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Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,
R/o 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur, District-Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural),
Jagraon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,
Ludhiana Range, Near Old Courts,
Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appeal Case Nos.3220&3221/2019
(Life & Liberty)

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
17.08.2019	Nil	28.08.2019	Nil	06.09.2019

Present: Appellant- None;
Respondents- Inspector Sh. Prem Singh, SHO, P.S Dakha, Ludhiana.

ORDER

The appellant is absent. Inspector Sh. Prem Singh, SHO, P.S Dakha, who is present in the video conference at Ludhiana, submits that the matter is still pending and seeks an adjournment. His request is accepted.

The case shall be reheard on **31.10.2019 at 12.00 PM through video conference at Ludhiana.**

10.10.2019

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Sh. Karaj Singh,
S/o Sh. Jamber Singh
R/o Village-Khambe,
Tehsil-Dharamkot, District-Moga.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Moga.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.319/2019

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
07.01.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	25.03.2019

Present: Complainant - None.
Respondent- Sh. Bhupinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary.

ORDER:

The Commission had made the following order on 27.08.2019:-

The complainant submits that he has not received the information. The perusal of the reply submitted by the respondents reveals that most of the information has been denied specifically concerning the NREGA funds and sanitation works with the reason that this does not relate to him. However, there is nothing on record to suggest that the same has been forwarded under section 6 (3) of the Act to the concerned PIOs.

It is a very old date case. The Commission believes that adequate attention to inform the complainant has not been given. The respondents are finally advised to provide him the complete information after procuring it from the concerned departments and intimate the Commission in writing before next date of hearing."

The case has come up today. Sh.Bhupinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary, is present. He submits that the complete record in contention has been sent by post to the

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complainant. He has shown the Commission a copy of the receipt of the documents sent by post to him. The Commission presumes that the complainant is satisfied with the same. The complaint is **filed**.

10.10.2019

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Retd. Subedar Hakam Singh,
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Distt.-Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Khera, District-Fatehgarh Sahib.

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

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2230/2018

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
26.07.2017	Nil	03.03.2018	Nil	03.07.2018

Present: Appellant - Retd. Subedar Hakam Singh;
Respondents- Sh.Harpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary.

ORDER

The respondents have failed to comply with the order passed by the Commission on 05.03.2019. Aggrieved with the same, the appellant had requested the Commission to ensure its compliance. The respondents are absent despite issue of notice.

The PIO 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 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.

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



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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."

The case has come up today. Sh.Harpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Village-Pamor, Block-Khera, Districat-Fatehgarh Sahib, has brought along the copy of the record, which has been handed over on spot to the appellant. The same seemingly is in order. The appellant submits that the information relating to the Department of Water Supply and Sanitation is still wanted. The SDO concerned namely Sh. Gopal Rai is hereby advised to arrange to supply complete information sought by the appellant before the next date of hearing positively, else he shall be penalized for having refused to comply with the orders of the Commission.

To come up on **14.11.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

10.10.2019

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

CC: The SDO, O/o Executive Engineer, Department of Water Supply and Sanitation, Near DC Office, Sri Fatehgarh Sahib.