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Sh. Balwan Gagat S/o Sh. Bachna Ram,		
R/o Ward No. 5, Kahangarh Road, (98760-484	127)	
Anand Basti, Patran,		
District –Patiala. 147105		Complainant
	$\mathbf{V}\mathbf{s}$	
Public Information Officer,		
O/o Director,		
Rural Development & Panchayat Department,		
Vikas Bhawan, Sector- 62,		
SAS Nagar.		Respondent

Complaint Case No. 1077 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceeding)

Present:- None on behalf of the complainant.

Shri Avtar Singh, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which the complainant was advised to deposit Rs.830/- as sought by the respondent-PIO and get the information consisting of 415 pages failing which the case will be decided exparte.

- 2. The complainant is absent without intimation.
- 3. The representative of the respondent-PIO states that no fee of Rs.830/- has been received in their office till date.
- 4. After hearing the representative of the respondent-PIO and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that no information has been supplied to the complainant due to non-receipt of requisite fee. From this, it is presumed that the complainant is not interested in getting the information. Accordingly, the present case is disposed and closed with the direction to the respondent-PIO to supply the information on receipt of the requisite fee. The representative of the respondent-PIO assures that he will supply the information on receipt of necessary fee. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 11.03.2020.

Sd/
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Sh. Sukhwin	nder Singh S/o Sh. Jarnail Singh,	
R/o Village-	Roshanwala, PO – Nashirawala,	
District – M	oga	Appellant
	Vs	
Shri Parpind	ler Singh,	(Regd.)
Public Inform	mation Officer-cum-	
Panchayats S	Secretary, Roshanwala,	
C/o Block D	Pevelopment & Panchayat Officer,	
Block- kot Is	se Kha, Distt. Moga.	
First Appella	ate Authority,	
O/o Block D	Development & Panchayat Officer,	
Block- Kot l	Ise Khan, District Moga.	Respondents
	Appeal Case No.	3567 of 2019
	(Video Conference	e Proceedings)
Present:-	None on behalf of the appellant.	-
	None on behalf of the respondents.	

Shri Parpinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary was directed to file supply to show cause notice issued to him on 15.01.2020 and remain present on the next date of hearing failing which ex-parte decision would be taken. Shri Jagdeep Singh was directed to provide the complete information pertaining to MANREGA as per RTI request of the appellant.

None is present on behalf of the respondents. 2.

3. The appellant is absent but he has informed Shri Amrit Pal Singh, Operator of Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga that the Commission be informed about his absence and his case be got adjourned.

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which

In view of the request of the appellant, the present case is adjourned to 27.03.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga. The respondents are directed to supply the information immediately and appear on the next date of hearing. Decision regarding show cause notice issued to Shri Parpinder Singh, Panchayats Secretary will be taken on the next date of hearing

Dated: 11.03.2020.

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

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ORDER

Shri Jagdeep Singh (MANREGA) O/O Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Block Kot Ise khan, District Moga.

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Smt. Dimple W/o Late Sh. Suresh Kumar Walia,	
R/o VPO Bhangala,	
Tehsil Mukerian, 144306	
District Hoshiarpur.	Appellant
Vs	
Shri Jaspal Singh, Superintendent Grade-1-cum-	
Public Information Officer,	
O/o Director, Rural Development & Panchayat De	epartment, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector- 62, SAS Nagar.	
First Appellate Authority,	
O/o Financial Commissioner,	
Rural Development & Panchayat, Department,	
Vikas Bhawan, Sector- 62, SAS Nagar	Respondents
	No. 4546 of 2019

Shri Tejinder Singh Walia on behalf of the appellant. Present:-

Shri Manjit Singh, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondents...

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.01.2020 vide

which

Dated: 11.03.2020.

Ms. Manjit Kaur, Under Secretary-cum-PIO, RDE 5 Branch, was directed to provide information regarding appointments made on compassionate ground from the employees of Samities/Zila Parishad to Government-side before the next date of hearing and if the information is not available then give in writing that the information is not available in their record, failing which punitive action will be initiated against her.

- Shri Manjit Singh, Senior Assistant, states that in this case he is not dealing hand. He assures that he will ensure the supply of information immediately and appearance of the concerned Senior Assistant on the next date of hearing.
- Last opportunity is afforded to the respondents with the direction to appear on the next date of hearing and supply information regarding appointments made on compassionate ground from the employees of Samities/Zila Parishad to Government-side before the next date of hearing and if the information is not available then give in writing that the information is not available in their record, failing which punitive action will be initiated against her.
- To come up on 24.03.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur.

sd/-

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Sh. Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Uttam Singh,	
R/o Village –Dangerian, (9914188067)	
Block –Khera, Tehsil & District Fatehgarh Sahib.	Complainant
$\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{s}}$	-
Shri Tara Chand,	
Panchayats Secretary,	
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,	
Khera, District Fatehgarh Sahib.	
Public Information Officer,	
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,	
Mini Secretariat, Fatehgarh Sahib.	Respondents
Complaint Case .No	. 1067 of 2019
(Video Conference	Proceeding)

Present:- Shri Jaspal Singh, complainant.

Shri Tara Chand, Panchayats Secretary alongwith Ms. Narjeet Kaur, APO, on

behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which Ms. Narjeet Kaur, APO was directed to provide complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing

- 2. Ms. Narjeet Kaur, APO, hands over complete information to the satisfaction of the complainant concerning MANREGA.
- 3. After hearing both the parties and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that complete information has been provided to the satisfaction of the complainant. 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: 11.03.2020.

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r/o H.No.2, Street No.19,	
Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar,	
Near Leon House, Dhandra Road,	
Ludhiana.	Appellant
	Vs
Public Information Officer,	
O/o District Development and Pane	chayats Officer,
Ludhiana.	•
FAA-o/o District Development a n	d Panchayats Officer,
Ludhiana	Respondents
	Appeal Case No. 99/2019
	(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Harbhajan Singh, Panchayats Secretary on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.02.2020 vide which the respondent-PIO was afforded one more opportunity to supply the information to the appellant within ten days from today. On receipt of the information from the respondents, the appellant was advised to go through the same and revert back to the authorities, in case of deficiencies in the information supplied to him, with a copy to the Commission.

- 2. The respondent-PIO states that the information sought by the appellant is voluminous and cannot be supplied to the appellant. He further requests that he has brought complete original record with him for the inspection of the appellant, who is absent.
- 3. The appellant is absent without intimation.
- 4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that no information after the previous date of hearing has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant is advised to inspect the record and supply photocopies upto 150 pages to him after identification.
- 5. To come up on 27.3.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 11.03.2020.

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Sh. Vikram Singh,	
# 983-E, Benipal Colony,	
Machhiwara,	
Distt: Ludhiana-141115	Appellant
	V_{S}
Public Information Officer,	
O/o Tehsildar, Samrala,	
Distt: Ludhiana.	
First Appellate Authority	
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,	
Samrala, District- Ludhiana.	Respondents
	Appeal Case No. 3082 of 2019
	(Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:-Shri Vikram Singh, appellant.

Shri Kuldeep Singh, Clerk (M.No. 98780-57071), on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

Dated: 11.03.2020

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to send affidavit/self declaration to the appellant after affixing seal/stamp of the office on it within 2 days from today. He assured that he would do the same within prescribed period.

- The representative of the respondents hands over an original affidavit/self declaration to the appellant during the hearing. On this the appellant states that they have written in the affidavit that complete information has been provided to the appellant after receiving it from the Deputy Commissioner's office vide their letter dated 13.01.2020. The appellant's contention is that it is incorrect to mention it in their affidavit that the information sought under the RTI Act, 2005 has been provided to him vide their letter dated 13.01.2020. He further states that if they have to mention in their affidavit then they can mention that Intgal received from the Deputy Commissioner's office was sent to them vide their letter dated 13.01.2020 and the affidavit should mention that information concerning three points as sought by him in his RTI application is not available in their record.
- The respondents are directed to give a fresh affidavit stating that copy of Intqal was provided to the appellant after receiving it from the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana vide their letter dated 13.01.2020 and information sought by the appellant concerning his three points' information, no documents are available in their record before the next date of hearing failing which punitive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing.
- To come up on 17.03.2020 at 3.00 P.M. through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

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Sh. Amin Chand S/o Sh. Tek Chand, R/o H.No.205, Ghumar Mandi,	
Ludhiana.	Appellant V s
Public Information Officer, O/o Tehsildar, Ludhaina (East)	
First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Commissioner,	
Ludhaina. T	Respondents.
	Appeal Case No. 3562 of 2019

Appeal Case No. 3562 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Harminder Singh., clerk on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

Dated: 11.03.2020

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.02.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to provide the information within 5 days from that day failing which punitive action would be initiated on the next date of hearing and the case was adjourned to 27.02.2020. On 27.02.2020, the case could not be heard due to technical problem in the Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

- 2. Today none is present on behalf of the appellant.
- 3. The representative of respondent-PIO states that they have sent reply vide their letter dated 25.02.2020 to the Commission with a copy to the appellant.
- 4. After hearing the representative of the respondent-PIO and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that the respondents have not given point-wise reply to the appellant. Accordingly, last opportunity is given to the respondents to send point-wise reply to the appellant with a copy to the Commission according to his RTI application dated 12.02.2019 failing which punitive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing. The representative of the respondents assured that they will comply the order before the next date of hearing.
- 5. To come up on 17.03.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

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on. Dilong C	mana,	
S/o Sh. Ram	iji Das,	
R/o Hayatpu	ır, PO- Hambowal,	
Tehsil- Sam	rala, Distt. Ludhiana.	Appellant
		Vs
Public Inform	mation Officer,	
O/o Deputy	Commissioner,	
	ive Complex,	
District- Luc	_	
First Appella	ate Authority,	
	Commissioner,	
Administrati	ive Complex,	
District- Luc	lhiana.	
PIO/Block D	Development and Panchayata	s Officer,
	, District Ludhiana.	Respondents
	·	peal Case No. 4269 of 2019 leo Conference Proceedings)
Present:-	Shri Dilbagh Chand app	pellant.
	Shri Jaswinder Singh, S	uperintendent/DDPO, Ludhiana, on behalf of the respondents.
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ORDER

Sh. Dilhag Chand

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.02.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to supply information regarding point at Sr. No.2 within a week and the case was adjourned to 27.02.2020. On 27.02.2020, the case could not be heard due to technical problem in the Video Conference Facility and the case was adjourned to 11.03.2020.

- 2. The representative of the respondents states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant vide their letter dated 26.02.2020 and nothing has been left which could be supplied to him. On this the appellant states that he may be given what action has been taken by BDPO, Machhiwara regarding point at Sr. No.2.
- 3. After hearing the parties and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that the appellant has sought information regarding latest status of his complaints. It is further revealed that information concerning point at Sr. No.1 had already been supplied to the appellant and latest status regarding point at Sr. No. 2 has been supplied that his complaint was forwarded to BDPO, Machhiwara on 29.5.2019. Complete information has been supplied and nothing has been left, which could be supplied to him as sought by the appellant in his RTI application. Accordingly, the present case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 11.03.2020.

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Sh. Rupinderjit Singh S/o Sh. Bawa Singh,	
R/o Village –Bahiluwal, (95928-30632)	
PO Govt. Political College,	
Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur.	Complainant
Vs	5
Public Information Officer,	
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,	
Block Quadian, District Gurdaspur.	Respondent
Complaint Case .N	No. 1051 of 2019
(Video Confessor	as Drassading)

(Video Conference Proceeding)

Present:-None on behalf of the complainant.

None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which last opportunity was granted to the respondent-PIO to take appropriate action on the RTI application of the complainant failing which punitive action would be initiated on the next date of hearing and also directed to remain present during the next date of hearing.

- 2. Both the parties are absent without intimation.
- After perusing the record available on the case file, it is revealed that information concerning points at Sr. No. 1 and 2 has been supplied to the complainant and the remaining information is available on the website i.e. www.narega.nic.in. Last opportunity is given to the complainant to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies failing which the case will be decided on the merits of the case.
- 4. To come up on 24.3.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur.

sd/-Dated: 11.03.2020. (Suresh Arora). Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

CC

Shri Rajvinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary, o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Quadian, District Gurdaspur.

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Smt Narinderjeet Kaur Sarpanch, (98144-52090)
R/o Gram Panchayat Thekreewal,	
Block Kahnuwan,	
District Gurdaspur.	Complainant
	$\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{s}}$
Public Information Officer,	
O/o Gram Panchayat Thekreewal,	
Block Kahnuwan,	
District Gurdaspur.	Respondent
Com	plaint Case .No. 1080 of 2019
\overline{V}	ideo Conference Proceeding)

Smt. Narinderjit Kaur, complainant. Present:-

Shri Om Parkash, Village Development Organizer-cum-PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which the complainant was advised to go through the information supplied to her and revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies in the information.

- The respondent-PIO states that complete information has been supplied to the complainant and nothing has been left which could be supplied to her. On this, the complainant states that partial information has been supplied to her.
- After discussion point-wise information with both the parties, it is found that no information concerning points at Sr. Nos. 2, 4 and 11 and partial information concerning point at Sr. No. 6 has been supplied to her. The complainant is advised to inspect the record of the respondent-PIO and get photocopies of the documents after identification. The respondents are also directed to get the record inspected and supply photocopies of the documents after identification on the spot.
- To come up on 24.3.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur.

sd/-

Dated: 11.03.2020. (Suresh Arora), Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Complainant
ent, Punjab,
Respondent
15 of 2019
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Complaint Case No. 1045 of 2019

Present:-Shri Ajaib Singh, complainant.

Ms. Manjit Kaur alongwith Ms. Manju Bala, both Senior Assistants, on behalf of

the respondent-PIO.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide the on more last opportunity was granted to Ms. Ravinder Kaur Bhuttar, Additional Directorcum-Public Information Officer to take appropriate action on the RTI application before the next date of hearing failing which the penalty provisions will be initiated.

- The complainant states that he has not received any information till date. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (D) informed the complainant that original complaint sent by the respondents has not been received in their office and he was asked to supply one more copy of the same to his office.
- The representatives of respondent-PIO places a copy of letter dated 9.3.2020 in which it is mentioned that complaint, received in their vide diary No. 1506 dated 29.11.2017, was forwarded to the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development), Patiala vide their letter dated 20.04.2018 for conducting an inquiry. It is further mentioned that ADC (D) has sent inquiry report dated 1.5.2019 was put up to the Director Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab, Chandigarh who has ordered to be filed on 30.05.2019. Complete information regarding point at Sr. No.1 has been supplied to the complainant. Regarding points at Sr. No. 2 and 3, the respondents have given in writing that information sought by the complainant relates to third party which cannot be supplied.
- 4. After hearing both the parties and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that information pertaining to Sr. No. 1 has been supplied as per its availability in the record of the respondents. The complainant is advised to approach the higher authorities or

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Additional Deputy Commissioner (D), if he is not satisfied with the inquiry report prepared by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (D), Patiala. Regarding points at Sr. No. 2, the respondents place a copy of letter dated 3.4.2018 vide which they informed the complainant that information could not be supplied being information sought by him is voluminous information. In view of the judgment passed by Hon'ble Apex Court reported as 2011(3)RCT(Civil) titled Central Board of Secondary Education vs Adityabandopadhaye decided on 9.8.2011 has held that "The RTI Act should not be allowed to be misused or abused, to become a tool to obstruct the national development and integration, or to destroy the peace, tranquility and harmony among its citizens-- Nor should it be converted into a tool of oppression or intimidation of honest officials striving to do their duty-National does not want a scenario where 75% of the staff of public authorities spends 75% of their time in collection and furnishing information to applicants instead of discharging their regular duties----Indiscriminate and impractical demands or directions under RTI Act for disclosure of all the sundry information (unrelated to transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities and eradication of corruption) would be counter-productive as it will adversely affect the efficiency of the administration and result in the executive getting bogged down with the non-productive work of collecting and furnishing information.

- 5. It has come to light that the information sought by the Complainant in point at Sr. No.3 is third party information and also personal information as contemplated under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act. As per case decided on 03.10.2012 by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (civil no. 27734 of 2012) titled "Girish Ram Chandra Deshpande vs. CIC, New Delhi and others", which relates to personal information the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, the PIO is not bound to give such information In the instant complaint case also there is no public interest involved in supply of information demanded by the appellant.
- 6. There is hardly any justification to give voluminous and personal information of all the employees working in all the wings of the Directorate to the information seeker. Relying upon the judgments mentioned above, the Commission is satisfied with the observations of the respondent-PIO. The complainant has also failed to substantiate any public interest for divulgence of information. As such the complaint case filed in the Commission is dismissed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 11.03.2020.

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R/o VPO- F District-San Public Infor O/o Block I	anjan Singh, Khanpur, Tehsil- Malerkotla,	Appellant Vs
O/o District	late Authority, Development and Panchayat Officer, ariat, Sangrur. Appeal Ca	
and 27.02.2 2. has been pa 3. the absence Information imposed on within the s	on of Rs.10,000/- was awarded to the appel 020. The appellant states that no informatid to him till date. The respondents remained absent 0 of the respondent seriously, it is, therefore Act, 2005 to Shri Harjit Singh, Panchayan him for absence, not complying with the	Gerence to the previous order dated 27.02.2020 vide which ellant for non-supply of information and absence on 06.02.2020 attion has been supplied to him and no amount of compensation 16.02.2020, 27.02.2020 and today without intimation. Viewing re, a fit case to issue a notice under Section 20 of the Right to the test Secretary-cum-PIO to show cause why penalty should not be order dated 27.02.2020 and for not supplying the information of the PIO may be filed before the next date of hearing when he A.M. at Chandigarh.
o/c Ma 2. Ms Blo	3.2020. ri Harjit Singh, Panchayats Secretary (Rego Block Development and Panchayats Officalerkotla-1, District Sangrur. s. Amandeep Kaur (Regd) ock Development and Panchayats Officer, alerkotla-1, District Sangrur.	
Di	ri Narpinder Singh Grewal, (Regd) strict Development and Panchayats Office ngrur	To ensure the presence of PIO r,

of PIO

for information and to ensure the presence

The Deputy Commissioner (By name)

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Sh. Rakesh Kumar Singla, Voice Organization (Retd.) Opp. Tehsil Office, Lehragaga, Sangrur 148031

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer-cum-V.D.O., Gram Panchayat Bhutal kalan, c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Lehragaga, District Sangrur

First Appellate Authority, o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer, Sangrur

....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3948 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant.

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.02.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to supply copies of bills to the appellant. They assured that they should supply the information on or before 2.3.2020. On receipt of the information from the respondents, the appellant was advised to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies in the information supplied to him.

- 2. The respondents are absent but an e-mail has been received from the respondents stating that the information concerning bills/vouchers has been sent to the appellant vide their letter dated 06.03.2020 by post but the appellant states that the same has not been received by him till date. The respondents have further written in that letter that Village Panchayat is executing agency itself and no tender notices are issued for execution of works.
- 3. After hearing the appellant and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that information has been sent to the appellant by post vide their letter dated 6.3.2020. On receipt of the information from the respondents, the appellant is advised to go through the same and revert back to the authorities, in case of deficiencies in the information, with a copy to the Commission. The respondents-Shri Gurmeet Singh, BDPO, Lehragaga (M.No.98764-52257) and Shri Rajinder Singh, Village Development Organizer (M.No.98723-70063) are directed to appear on the next date of hearing and defend their case failing which punitive action will be initiated against them.
- 4. To come up on 17.03.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur.

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

Dated: 11.03.2020.