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Sh. Pritam Singh,

S/o Sh. Sucha Singh,

Sirki Bazar, Ward No.24,

Ferozepur City.

…Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,

Ferozepur.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 666 of 2017**

**PRESENT:** (i) None is present on behalf of the complainant.

(ii) Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, ASI on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.11.2017.

2. The complainant is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

3. Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, ASI is appearing on behalf of the PIO and states that he has brought the original record today in the Commission.

4. The complainant has sought the information on two points but till today, no satisfactory reply has been given by the department. The respondent has filed a reply vide letter dated 05.09.2017 mentioning therein that the information regarding point no. 1 cannot be supplied as the file is missing but no action has been taken for the loss of record. Regarding point no. 2, no satisfactory reply has been given.

5. In the complaint cases, the intention of the PIO is to be seen whether he/she has replied to the complainant in time or not but the perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent has proved that he has not performed his duty as mandated by the RTI regime. Such kind of behavior of the Government employee needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message and wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

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**Complaint Case No. 666 of 2017**

6. Looking at the lackadaisical and highly irresponsible attitude of the respondent, **Sh. Pritam Singh, PIO-cum-SSP, Ferozepur** is directed to show cause as to why penalty @ 250/-per day be not imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act for not sending the information to the complainant within the statutorily period.

7. The respondent-PIO is directed to file a written point-wise reply in this regard, before the next date of hearing with a copy to the complainant.

8. He may also make use of the next date of hearing for his personal hearing as well under the principles of natural justice and explain his conduct and status of the complaint to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable/logical conclusion in the matter.

9. The matter to come up for further hearing on **09.05.2018 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

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*Note: After the hearing was over, Sh. Preetam Singh, the complainant appeared and he was read out the above said order.*

*Sd/-*

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Ms.Bimla Devi,

W/o Sh. Om Parkash,

R/o H .NO.13936, St. No.3,

Dhibar Colony, Bathinda.

Complainant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Executive Engineer,

Water Supply and Sanitation,

Division No.2, Model Town,

Bhagu Road, Bathinda.

Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 70 of 2017**

Present : (i)Sh. Narinder Kumar on behalf of the complainant.

(ii) Sh. Harpal Singh, SDE on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.11.2017.

2. Sh. Narinder Kumar is appearing on behalf of the complainant states that till today, no information has been supplied to him by the respondent.

3. Sh. Harpal Singh, SDE is appearing on behalf of the respondent and states that PIO has authorized him for today’s hearing. No reply has been filed by the respondent to the Notice of the Commission.

4. The perusal of the case file reveals that the RTI application of the complainant is dated 28.04.2016 but till today, no information has been provided to her by the respondent, which shows that the respondent has no regards to the orders of the Commission.

5. In the complaint cases, the intention of the PIO is to be seen whether he/she has replied to the complainant in time or not but the perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent has proved that he has not performed his duty as mandated by the RTI regime. Such kind of behavior of the Government employee needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message and wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

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**Complaint Case No. 70 of 2017**

6. Looking at the lackadaisical and highly irresponsible attitude of the respondent, **Sh. Jasjeet Singh Gill, PIO-cum-Executive Engineer o/o Water Supply and Sanitation, Div. 2, Bathinda** is directed to show cause as to why penalty @ 250/-per day be not imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act for not sending the information to the complainant within the statutorily period.

7. The respondent-PIO is directed to file a written point-wise reply in this regard, before the next date of hearing with a copy to the complainant.

8. He may also make use of the next date of hearing for his personal hearing as well under the principles of natural justice and explain his conduct and status of the complaint to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable/logical conclusion in the matter.

9. The matter to come up for further hearing on **09.05.2018 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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**CC: Sh. Jasjeet Singh Gill, Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation, Division No.2, Bathinda.**

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Sh. Gurmeet Singh,

S/o Sh. Boota Singh,

R/O Village Dhabwala Kalan,

Tehsil & Distt: Fazilka.

…Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o Block Development and panchayat Officer,

Block Arniwala, Sheikh Subhan,

Distt: Fazilka.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 94 of 2018**

**PRESENT:** None for the parties.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 05.01.2015 whereby the information-seeker has sought information as mentioned in her RTI application. She filed complaint in the Commission on 15.01.2018 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice was issued to the parties for hearing for 15.03.2018 in the Commission.

3. The complainant is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

4. Neither the PIO is present for today’s hearing nor has sent any reply to the Notice of the Commission, which shows that he has no regard to the orders of the Commission.

5. In the complaint cases, the intention of the PIO is to be seen whether he/she has replied to the complainant in time or not but the perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent has proved that he has not performed his duty as mandated by the RTI regime. Such kind of behavior of the Government employee needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message and wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

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**Complaint Case No. 94 of 2017**

6. Looking at the lackadaisical and highly irresponsible attitude of the respondent,  **Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block Arniwala, Distt: Fazilka** is directed to show cause as to why penalty @ 250/-per day be not imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act for not sending the information to the complainant within the statutorily period.

7. The respondent-PIO is directed to file a written point-wise reply in this regard, before the next date of hearing with a copy to the complainant.

8. He may also make use of the next date of hearing for his personal hearing as well under the principles of natural justice and explain his conduct and status of the complaint to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable/logical conclusion in the matter.

9. Last opportunity is given to the complainant to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merit.

9. The matter to come up for further hearing on **09.05.2018 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Sh. Gurdeep Singh,

S/o Sh. Satnam Singh,

R/o Village Teja Rurela,

Tehsil & Distt:Fazilka.

Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Deputy Commissioner,

Fazilka.

Respondent

**Complaint CASE NO. 95 OF 2018**

**PRESENT:** (i) None is present on behalf of the complainant.

(ii) Sh. Lucky Chand, Clerk on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 29.09.2016 whereby the information-seeker has sought information as mentioned in her RTI application. She filed complaint in the Commission on 15.01.2018 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice was issued to the parties for hearing for 15.03.2018 in the Commission.

3. The complainant is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

4. The respondent files reply to the Notice of the Commission mentioning therein that the information has already been sent to the complainant vide letter dated 14.03.2018.

5. In the complaint cases, the intention of the PIO is to be seen whether he/she has replied to the complainant in time or not but the perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent has proved that he has not performed his duty as mandated by the RTI regime. Such kind of behavior of the Government employee needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message and wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

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**Complaint Case No. 95 of 2017**

6. Looking at the lackadaisical and highly irresponsible attitude of the respondent, **PIO o/o**  **Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka and Sh. Darshan Singh, Tehsildar o/o Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka both are** directed to show cause as to why penalty @ 250/-per day be not imposed upon them under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act for not sending the information to the complainant within the statutorily period.

7. Both the respondents are directed to file a written point-wise reply in this regard, before the next date of hearing with a copy to the complainant.

8. They may also make use of the next date of hearing for their personal hearing as well under the principles of natural justice and explain their conduct and status of the complaint to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable/logical conclusion in the matter.

9. The complainant is advised to go through the information and point out the deficiency, if any, in the information provided to the respondent within one week with a copy to the Commission and should personally appear o the next data of hearing, failing which decision shall be taken on merit.

10. The matter to come up for further hearing on **09.05.2018 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

**15.03.2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**CC: Sh. Darshan Singh, Tehsildar o/o Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka**

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Sh. Karamjit Singh,

S/o Sh. Gurmukh Singh,

Village Kotla, Tehsil:Samrala,

Distt: Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o DEO(SE),

Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**

o/o DEO (SE),

Ludhiana.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 108 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** None for the parties.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.11.2017.

2. The appellant is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

3. Neither the PIO is present for today’s hearing nor has filed any reply to Show Cause Notice issued to him vide order dated 24.07.2017, which shows that he has no regard to the orders of the Commission.

4. Last opportunity is given to the PIO to file an affidavit in response to the order showing cause, failing which penalty will be initiated against him for non compliance the orders of the Commission.

5. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merit.

6. The matter to come up for further hearing now on **09.05.2018 at 11.30AM.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Sh. Mulkraj, S/o Sh. Babu Ram,

R/o Village Jhok Harihar,

Tehsil & Distt: Ferozepur.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o BDPO,

Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

o/o DDPO,

Ferozepur.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 349 OF 2018**

Present : (i) Sh. Mulkraj, the appellant.

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 11.10.2017 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 13.11.2017 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.01.2018 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.03.2018 in the Commission.

3. The appellant states that till today, no information has been supplied to him by the respondent.

4. Neither the PIO neither is present for today’s hearing nor has sent any reply to the Notice of the Commission, which shows that he has no regard to the orders of the Commission.

5. Looking at the lackadaisical and highly irresponsible attitude of the respondent, **PIO o/o**  **BDPO, Ferozepur is** directed to show cause as to why penalty @ 250/-per day be not imposed upon his under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act for not sending the information to the appellant within the statutorily period and why the appellant should not be compensation for the harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

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**Appeal CASE NO. 349 OF 2018**

6. The DDPO and BDPO, Ferozepur both are directed to file a written point-wise reply in this regard, before the next ate of hearing with a copy to the appellant.

7. They may also make use of the next date of hearing for their personal hearing as well under the principles of natural justice and explain their conduct and status of the appeal to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable/logical conclusion in the matter.

8. The matter to come up for further hearing on **09.05.2018 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

**15.03.2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**CC: (i) Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.**

**(ii) District development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.**

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Sh. Tulsi Ram,

S/o Sh. Bhagta Singh,

VPO:Mohanpur, Tehsil:Khanna,

Distt: Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o BDPO,

Khanna, Distt: Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**

o/o DDPO,

Ludhiana.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 346 OF 2018**

**Appeal CASE NO. 347 OF 2018**

**Alongwith**

**Appeal CASE NO. 348 OF 2018**

**PRESENT:** (i) Sh. Tulsi Ram, the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Navtej, SEPC on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 04.08.2017 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18.09.2017 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.01.2018 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.03.2018 in the Commission.

3. The appellant filed three appeals with the Commission seeking information from BDPO, Khanna, Distt: Ludhiana, as in all these three appeals, the appellant and the PIOs are the same, so all these has been clubbed together.

4. The appellant states that he has received the information from the respondent on 22.011.2017 and has pointed out the deficiencies to the respondent vide letter dated 24.11.2017 by hand but till today, complete information has not been supplied to him by the respondent.

5. The respondent states that information comprising 214 pages has been given to the appellant vide letter dated 22.11.2017. He further states that some more time be given to him to provide the complete information to the appellant.

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**Appeal CASE NO. 346 OF 2018**

**Appeal CASE NO. 347 OF 2018**

**Alongwith**

**Appeal CASE NO. 348 OF 2018**

6. Last opportunity is given to the respondent to appear personally and provide the complete information to the appellant, before the next date of hearing, as per his RTI applications, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated. If the information is not available then file an affidavit in this regard with a copy to the appellant.

7. The matter to come up for further hearing now on **09.05.2018 at 11.30AM.**  Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

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Sh. Gurminder Singh,

S/o Sh. Inderdeep Singh,

# B-253, Guru Nanak Colony,

Sangrur.

Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o DGP, Punjab,

Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Complaint CASE NO. 1411 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** (i) Sh. Gurminder Singh, the complainant.

(ii) Sh. Parshotam Kumar, HC on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 13.02.2018.

2. The complainant states that no information has been provided to him by the respondent.

3. The respondent states that he has brought the information to deliver it personally to the complainant today in the Commission.

4. After going through the information, the complainant states that he is satisfied with the information provided.

5. After hearing both the parties and perusal of the record, it is ascertained that the RTI application of the complainant is dated 25.10.2017 and first reply has been sent to the complainant vide letter dated 13.12.2017, after the delay of two months. In the complaint cases, the intention of the PIO is to be seen whether he/she has replied to the complainant in time or not but the perusal of the file and the conduct of the respondent has proved that he has not performed his duty as mandated by the RTI regime. Therefore, the respondent is warned to be careful in future while dealing with the RTI applications.

6. With these directions, the instant Complaint Case is hereby, **disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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**15.03.2018 State Information Commissioner**

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Sh. Sukhdev Singh,

S/o SH. Inder Singh,

VPO Kot Dharam Chand Kala,

Tehsil & Distt: Tarn Taran.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o District Food & Supply Controller,

Tarn Taran.

**First Appellate authority,**

o/o Director,

Food & Civil Supply and Consumer Affairs, Punjab,

Anaz Bhawan, Sector:39/C, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 2427 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** None is present on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Nishan Singh, Inspector on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.11.2017.

2. The appellant is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

3. The respondent states that as per the directions of the Commission complete information has already been sent to the appellant by registered post vide letter dated 03.11.2017 and till today, no discrepancies have been received from him.

4. After hearing the respondent and perusing the record, it is ascertained that the respondent has supplied the information to the appellant vide registered letter dated 03.11.2017 and the appellant is absent from the last three hearings, which shows that he has received the information and is satisfied with the information provided .

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the instant appeal case, which is hereby, **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Sd/-**

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

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Sh. Harish Chander Goyal,

Ayurvedic, Store Chena Bazar,

Jaiton.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o District Food Supply Officer,

Faridkot.

**First Appellate Authority**

o/o Director,

Food and Supply Deptt.,

Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 2350 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** (i) Sh. Madan Lal, on behalf of the appellant

(ii) Sh. Sunny Dadwal, Inspector and Sh. Amandeep Grover, AFSO is present on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.11.2017.

2. The appellant has authorized Sh. Madan Lal to appear on his behalf for today’s hearing. The representative of the appellant states that he has received the information from the respondent but it is not authenticated.

3. The respondent has authenticated the same today with which the representative of the appellant is satisfied and has given in writing that the case may please be closed.

4. No, further cause of action is left in the instant Appeal Case, which is hereby, **disposed off and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

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Sh. Tarsem Lal Jindal,

Neeli Chhatri Wala, H. No.306,

Aastha Colony, Dhanola Road,

Barnala.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o District Programme Officer,

Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**

o/o Director,

Social Security Women and Child Welfare,

Punjab, Sector:34/A, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 3751 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Smt. Rupinder Kaur, DPO on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 26.09.2017 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.10.2017 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.12.2017 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.02.2018 in the Commission.

3. The appellant is absent but a letter has been received from him in the Commission vide diary no. 2658 dated 06.02.2018 mentioning therein that no information has been provided to him by the respondent.

4. The respondent states that the reply to the appellant has already been sent to him vide letter dated 23.02.2018. She further states that the appellant has sought vague and voluminous information, which is sheer wastage of the time of Public Authority as well as the Commission.

5. The perusal of the RTI application reveals that the appellant has sought the information from the PIO o/o Director, Social Security Women and Child Welfare, Punjab but they have transferred the same to all the 22 districts in Punjab under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 vide letter dated 06.10.2017.

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**Appeal CASE NO. 3751 OF 2017**

6. The Director o/o Social Security Women and Child Welfare, Punjab and Deputy Director o/o Social Security Women and Child Welfare, Punjab, both are directed to appear personally, on the next date of hearing alongwith their written replies that on what basis they have transferred the RTI application to all the 22 districts in Punjab, on the next date of hearing, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated.

7. The PIO o/o District Programme Officer, Ludhiana is also directed to appear again, on the next date of hearing.

8. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merit.

9. The matter to come up for further hearing now on **18.04.2018 at 11.30AM.**  Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

**27.02.2018 State Information Commissioner**

***Through registered post***

**CC: Director o/o Social Security Women and Child Welfare, Punjab, Sector:34/A, Chandigarh.**

**Deputy Director o/o Social Security Women and Child Welfare, Punjab, Sector:34/A, Chandigarh.**

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Sh. Tarsem Lal Jindal,

Neeli Chhatri Wala, H. No.306,

Aastha Colony, Dhanola Road,

Barnala.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o District Programme Officer,

Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority,**

o/o Director,

Social Security Women and Child Welfare,

Punjab, Sector:34/A, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal CASE NO. 3753 OF 2017**

**PRESENT:** None for the parties.

**ORDER**

The RTI application is dated 26.09.2017 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.10.2017 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.12.2017 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.02.2018 in the Commission.

3. The appellant is absent but a letter has been received from him in the Commission vide diary no. 2656 dated 06.02.2018 mentioning therein that he has received the information on 01.12.2017 but it has been supplied to him very late. He further requests that penalty be imposed upon the PIO for the delay.

4. The respondent is absent for today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

5. The PIO is directed to file an affidavit, on the next date of hearing stating that the information which has been supplied to the appellant is as per office record and also explain his conduct for the delay.

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6. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merit.

7. The matter to come up for further hearing now on **18.04.2018 at 11.30AM.**  Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh (Prof. Viney Kapoor Mehra)**

**27.02.2018 State Information Commissioner**