



Shri Sandeep Singh, S/o Shri Kashmir Singh,  
R/o Village Muazam,  
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

.....Complainant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o DDPO,  
Fazilka.

.....Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 300 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sandeep Singh, complainant/applicant is absent.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka.

**O R D E R**

Shri Sandeep Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 12.01.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 12.10.2021 and a show cause notice was issued to the SPIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka and he was directed to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant and also to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission at least 10 days before the next date of hearing.

But the SPIO is absent today and neither he has sent any reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant and nor to the show cause notice.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the SPIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant and also to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 10 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the show cause notice and would not come present on the next date of hearing then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided on the next date of hearing without hearing him and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Shri Sanjay Sehgal,  
Sr. Vice Chairman, RTI Department, Punjab,  
Pardesh Congress Committee,  
SCO 88, New Rajinder Nagar,  
Jalandhar.

.....Appellant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Deputy Excise and Taxation Commissioner,  
Jalandhar Division, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority:  
O/o Deputy Excise and Taxation Commissioner,  
Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 56 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sanjay Sehgal, appellant is absent.  
Shri Paramjit Singh, First Appellate Authority-cum-Deputy Excise and Taxation  
Commissioner, Jalandhar Division, Jalandhar is present.

**O R D E R**

Shri Sanjay Sehgal, appellant filed RTI application dated 05.03.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Deputy Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Jalandhar Division, Jalandhar.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is absent today, whereas Shri Paramjit Singh, First Appellate Authority-cum-Deputy Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Jalandhar Division, Jalandhar is present.

Shri Paramjit Singh, First Appellate Authority stated that in compliance to the order dated 12.10.2021 letter was sent to the appellant that he should visit the office of the SPIO on 12.11.2021 regarding the inspection of the record. He further stated that a letter is received sent by the appellant in which he requested that he will come present on 18.11.2021 regarding the inspection of the record pertaining to point nos.5 and 10.

So, as per the submission of the First Appellate Authority, the case is adjourned for 30.11.2021 with the direction that the appellant should inspect the record on 18.11.2021 at 10.00 A.M. and in case he would not come to inspect the record, then it will be taken seriously and the appeal case will be disposed of on the next date of hearing and in case the appellant would come present on 18.11.2021 for inspection then the sought for information be provided to him @ Rs. 2/- per page.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software** (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. **30.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Shri Harjit Singh Dhillon,  
S/o Late Shri Gurbaksh Singh,  
R/o 4072, Street No. 3,  
Gobind Colony, Jamalpur,  
Ludhiana – 141015.

..... Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o SHO, Police Station,  
Jamalpur, Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Police Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1237 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Harjit Singh Dhillon, appellant is present.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Jamalpur, Distt. Ludhiana.

**O R D E R**

Shri Harjit Singh Dhillon, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.02.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SHO, Police Station, Jamalpur, Distt. Ludhiana.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the Respondent. The appellant stated that the SPIO has not provided him the information.

The SPIO is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter dated 15.11.2021 and the SPIO has requested for a period of one month for completing the inquiry related with the sought for information.

I have gone through the RTI application and the appellant sought information regarding UID No.1699238 dated 27.11.2019. A period of about two years has been passed, but till date the inquiry is pending. This is a very serious matter.

The SPIO has never attended the hearing before the Commission i.e. 17.06.2021, 19.08.2021, 12.10.2021 and today again he is absent. The conduct of the SPIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. So, a **show cause notice** is issued to the **SPIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Jamalpur, Distt. Ludhiana** that why the sought for information has not been provided to the applicant till date and so why he may not be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-.

The SPIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 10 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause

notice will be decided without hearing him and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him.

The SPIO is further directed that the attested copies of sought for information be provided to the appellant before the next date of hearing and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Harinder Pal Singh, S/o Shri Dalbir Singh,  
R/o H. No. 278, Near Old Talab,  
Hira Mahal Colony,  
Nabha.

..... Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o E.O., Nagar Council,  
Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Regional Deputy Director,  
Local Govt. Bodies, Patiala.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3122 of 2020**

Present:- Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant is present.  
None present on behalf of Shri Sukhdev Singh Kamboj, SPIO-cum-E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

**O R D E R**

Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 06.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none come present on behalf of the respondent SPIO.

The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him. He further stated that the PIO has provided him compensation of Rs.3,000/-, but vide order dated 12.10.2021 the amount of compensation was enhanced to Rs.5,000/-.

So, the SPIO is directed that the remaining amount of compensation i.e. Rs.2,000/- be also provided to the appellant from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft within 10 days along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

The appellant has filed RTI application dated 06.07.2020 and a period of 15 months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. No one was present on behalf of the SPIO on 08.06.2021 then on 11.08.2021 Shri Ashwani Kumar, Clerk was present and after that on 26.08.2021, 12.10.2021 and today again neither the SPIO nor his nominee has come present.

The conduct of the SPIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. So, a **show cause notice** is issued to **Shri Sukhdev Singh Kamboj, SPIO-cum-EO, Nagar Council, Nabha** that why the sought for information has not been provided to the applicant till date and so why he may not be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-.

The SPIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 10 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded

to him on the show cause notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided without hearing him and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Shri Balwinder Kumar,  
R/o W.M. 131, Basti Gujja,  
Jalandhar.

..... Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,  
Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1971 of 2020**

Present:- Shri Vikram, son of Shri Balwinder Kumar, appellant is present.  
Shri Dinesh Joshi, APIO-cum-Building Inspector is present on behalf of the  
SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

**O R D E R**

Shri Balwinder Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 09.12.2019 and sought information from the SPIO, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar regarding complaint no.519/JC/H dated 18.11.2019.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Shri Vikram, S/o Shri Balwinder Kumar is present and he stated that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- has been provided by the SPIO till date.

Shri Dinesh Joshi, APIO assured the Commission that the information and the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- will be provided to the appellant within two days.

So, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of information and the amount of compensation of Rs. 5000/- from the funds of public authority by way of Demand Draft be provided to the appellant, Shri Vikram within two days and compliance be sent to the Commission.

A show cause notice was also issued to the SPIO vide order dated 17.02.2021 and the SPIO has filed reply to the show cause notice vide letter no. 1047 dated 20.09.2021, which is in the file of the Commission and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **24.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Shri Pankaj Kumar, S/o Sh. Nabh Singh,  
MCB Zone-6, H.No.3225, Gali No.1-B,  
Surkhpeer Road, Bhatinda.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority:**

O/o ADC (D),  
Bathinda.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2817 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sanjeev Goyal is present on behalf of Shri Pankaj Kumar, appellant.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat  
Officer, Bathinda.

**O R D E R**

Shri Pankaj Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 05.02.2021 before the SPIO, O/o Animal Husbandry Department, Bathinda. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the SPIO, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer, Bathinda vide letter dated 09.02.2021 to provide the information related with point no.12 of the RTI application.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Shri Sanjeev Goyal is present on behalf of Shri Pankaj Kumar, appellant, whereas none has come present on behalf of the respondent SPIO. The representative of the appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to the appellant by the SPIO till date.

Today the SPIO is absent and neither he has sent any mail to the Commission.

So, the SPIO, O/o DDPO, Bathinda is directed that the attested copies of information related with point no.12 of the RTI application, if it exist in the office of the public authority, be provided to the appellant within 10 days and in case the information is not available in the office of the SPIO, then the SPIO should submit a duly attested affidavit in two sets that this information is not available in the office of the public authority i.e. DDPO, Bathinda and send one affidavit to the Commission and the other to the appellant within 10 days. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **15.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**





Shri Harnam Dass Mahay,  
VPO Lidhran, Bye Pass,  
Amritsar Road, Distt.Jalandhar.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Executive Officer,  
Jalandhar Improvement Trust,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority:**  
O/o Regional Deputy Director,  
Local Govt., Jalandhar.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2818 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Harnam Dass Mahay, appellant is personally absent.  
None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Executive Officer, Jalandhar  
Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

**O R D E R**

Shri Harnam Dass Mahay, appellant filed RTI application dated 12.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Executive Officer, Jalandhar Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today and neither they have sent any mail to the Commission.

I have gone through the Order dated 13.10.2021 vide which the appellant was directed to provide the list of plots to the SPIO within 10 days, but till today the Commission has not received any mail that whether the appellant has brought any list of plots to the SPIO for which he is seeking the information. Neither the appellant has appeared nor he sent any mail to the Commission that whether he had submitted the list of plots to the PIO or not.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the appellant that his RTI application is not specific, rather, the application is vague and in case he wants to get the information then he should submit the plot numbers in writing for which he is seeking information with the office of the SPIO within a week, otherwise, the case will be disposed of on the next date of hearing. In case the appellant would submit the list of plots then the SPIO is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 7 days and compliance be sent to the Commission.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Shri Jagjit Singh, R/o Aman Nagar,  
Street No. 3, B/s Green  
Land School, Near Jalandhar  
Bye Pass, Ludhiana.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority:**  
O/o Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2845 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant is present.  
ASI Tarsem Singh-1689/LDH is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o  
Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

**O R D E R**

Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 27.03.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are present today.

The respondent stated that as was directed vide order dated 13.10.2021, the appellant has not visited the office of the SPIO on 18.10.2021.

The appellant stated that he could not visit the office of the SPIO on 18.10.2021 due to some family problem. He further requested that he may be granted another opportunity.

Under these circumstances, the appellant is directed to visit the office of the SPIO within two days and the SPIO is further directed to provide the attested copies of information/reply to the appellant and send compliance to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Hakam Chand, S/o Sh. Hari Chand,  
R/o Dhani Telupura,  
Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilka.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o BDPO, Block Khuiya Sarwar  
At Abohar, Distt. Fazilka.

**First Appellate Authority:**  
O/o DDPO,  
Fazilka.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2849 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Hakam Chand, appellant is absent.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Block Khuiya Sarwar At  
Abohar, Distt. Fazilka.

**O R D E R**

Shri Hakam Chand, appellant filed RTI application dated 21.01.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Block Khuiya Sarwar At Abohar, Distt. Fazilka.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today.

The SPIO was absent on the last date of hearing i.e. 13.10.2021 and today again he is absent without any intimation to the Commission. He has not appeared at the time of hearing and neither he has sent any mail to the Commission.

The conduct of the SPIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. It shows disrespect towards the Orders passed by the Commission. So, a **show cause notice** is issued to **Mr. Jatin Kumar, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, O/o BDPO, Block Khuiya Sarwar At Abohar, Distt. Fazilka** that why the sought for information has not been provided to the applicant so far, whereas a period of 10 months has been passed and so why he may not be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-.

The SPIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 10 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided without hearing him and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him, which will be deducted from his salary.

The SPIO is further directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.3,000/- from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days along with attested copies of sought for information, specifically point-wise, and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Sukhjinder Singh, S/o Sh. Bachittar Singh,  
R/o VPO Ghugrana,  
Distt. Ludhiana.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o BDPO, Pakhowal,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority:**

O/o DDPO,  
Ludhiana.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2864 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sukhjinder Singh, appellant is present.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Pakhowal, Ludhiana.

**ORDER**

Shri Sukhjinder Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 26.12.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Pakhowal, Ludhiana.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO.

The appellant stated that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.3,000/- has been provided to him by the SPIO till date.

I have gone through the Order dated 13.10.2021 and a compensation of Rs.3,000/- was awarded in favour of the appellant and the SPIO was directed to send the amount of compensation to the appellant by way of demand draft along with attested copies of information and to send compliance to the Commission accordingly.

But the SPIO is absent today and neither he has sent any compliance to the Commission regarding sending the information and the compensation to the appellant. So, the amount of compensation of Rs.3,000/- is hereby enhanced to Rs.5,000/- and the SPIO is directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the concerned PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Shri Gurmeet Singh, S/o Shri Hari Singh,  
Village Bagrian,  
Tehsil & Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Complainant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o BDPO, Block Sirhind,  
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 926 of 2020**

**Present:-** Shri Gurmeet Singh, complainant/applicant is present.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Block Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

**ORDER**

Shri Gurmeet Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 26.08.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Block Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The applicant is present today, whereas Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

The applicant has filed RTI application on 26.08.2020 and sought information regarding Gram Panchayat Bagrian, Tehsil and Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib, the village of the applicant. The applicant stated that till today Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary has not provided him the information neither he has provided the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/-, which was awarded in his favour by the Commission.

I have gone through the case file. Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bagrian was present on the first date of hearing i.e. 25.02.2021 and after that on 24.03.2021, 04.05.2021, 23.06.2021, 24.08.2021 and 13.10.2021 he was absent and now today on 16.11.2021 he is again absent without any intimation to the Commission.

The conduct of Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary is highly condemnable and it shows disrespect towards the Orders passed by the Commission that he has appeared on only first date of hearing and after that on further dates of hearings he has never appeared before the Commission and as stated by the complainant/applicant no information has been provided to him.

I have gone through the order dated 13.10.2021 and Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Bagrian was directed to pay the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- to the applicant, He was further directed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the next date of hearing. In case he would not file any reply to the Show Cause Notice, then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided

on the basis of papers available in the file and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him which will be deducted from his salary.

I have gone through the case file. Neither Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary has appeared for the hearing and nor he has sent any mail to the Commission. So, as per the facts mentioned above that the RTI application was filed on 26.08.2020 and a period of about 15 months has been passed, but no information has been provided to the applicant. Mr. Iqbal Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary is not sincere towards his duties nor he has any respect for the law and the Commission. So, I impose a penalty of Rs.25,000/- upon him U/s 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, which will be deducted from his salary and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury in the following heads :-

"Major Head	0070-Other Administrative Services
Sub Major Head	60-Other Services
Minor Head	800-Other Receipts
Sub Head	86-Right to Information Act, 2005."

A copy of Order be sent to the DDPO, Fatehgarh Sahib and the BDPO, Sirhind for compliance of the Order of the Commission.

The BDPO, Sirhind will be responsible to deduct the amount of penalty from the concerned respondent and in case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission action will be taken against the BDPO, Sirhind.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **15.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )**  
**Dated: 16.11.2021**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**  
**(Regd.) CC: Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Fatehgarh Sahib.**

**– For compliance of the Order of the Commission.**

**(Regd.) CC: Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Sirhind.**

**– For compliance of the Order of the Commission.**

**(Regd.) CC: Mr. Iqbal Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bagrian, Block Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.**

**– For compliance of the Order of the Commission.**



Shri Jasbir Singh, S/o Shri Harbans Singh,  
R/o Village Jalal Khera,  
P.O. Sular, Distt. Patiala.

.....Appellant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/ o Distt. Education Officer (SE),  
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority:  
O/o Distt. Education Officer (SE),  
Patiala.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1987 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant is present.  
Shri Harjit Singh, Sr. Asstt. is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Distt.  
Education Officer (SE), Patiala.

**O R D E R**

Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 11.01.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Distt. Education Officer (SE), Patiala.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- has been provided to him by the SPIO till date.

On the other hand the respondent stated that the information has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant stated that he has not received any information till date.

So, the SPIO is directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Shri Sanjeev Thakur, (M: 98142-89764),  
Village Gudha Khurd,  
P.O. Madhopur Cantt.-145024

..... Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Deputy Director, Health, Punjab,  
Sector-34 , Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 949 of 2020**

**Present:-** Shri Sanjeev Thakur, appellant is present.  
Dr. Priyanka, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot is present.

**O R D E R**

Shri Sanjeev Thakur, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.11.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that neither the sought for information and nor the amount of compensation of Rs.3,000/- has been provided to him by the SPIO.

On the other hand the respondent stated that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter no.1034 dated 11.02.2020 and vide letter no.7144 dated 04.10.2021.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the SPIO on 15.11.2021, diarized vide no.25718, which is a copy of letter no.7350 dated 10.11.2021 along with a copy of letter no.7144 dated 04.10.2021, copy of letter no.1034 dated 11.02.2020, copy of official order dated 30.07.2014 and copy of letter dated 18.06.2014. I have gone through all the documents.

As the appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him, so he is directed to visit the office of the SPIO within 2-3 days and the SPIO is further directed to provide the attested copies of sought for information to the appellant along with the demand draft of Rs.3,000/- as compensation and send compliance report to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **24.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



Shri Kesar Singh, S/o Shri Bachan Singh,  
R/o Village Badgujan,  
Tehsil Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Appellant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh,  
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o BDPO, Amloh,  
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4030 of 2020**

**Present:-** Shri Kesar Singh, appellant is absent.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Amloh.

**O R D E R**

Shri Kesar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 17.07.2020 before the BDPO, Amloh (Fatehgarh Sahib). The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh vide letter no.2909 dated 22.07.2020.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 21.10.2021 and a last and final opportunity was granted to **Shri Khushwinder Singh**, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to file reply to the Show **Cause Notice** in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and was further directed to send the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant within 10 days along with attested copies of sought for information.

But today the respondent PIO is again absent and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission regarding sending the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has sent any reply to the Show Cause Notice.

Mr. Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary never appeared before the Commission on any date of hearing. He has not provided the sought for information and the compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant. So, the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- is hereby enhanced to Rs.5,000/- and the PIO is directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- from the funds of public authority be provided to the appellant by way of demand draft within 7 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

IN the interest of justice a last and final opportunity is granted to **Shri Khushwinder Singh**, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to

file reply to the Show **Cause Notice** in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case he would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Kesar Singh, S/o Shri Bachan Singh,  
R/o Village Badgujan,  
Tehsil Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Appellant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh,  
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o BDPO, Amloh,  
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4029 of 2020**

**Present:-** Shri Kesar Singh, appellant is absent.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Amloh.

**O R D E R**

Shri Kesar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 28.07.2020 before the BDPO, Amloh (Fatehgarh Sahib). The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 21.10.2021 and a last and final opportunity was granted to **Shri Khushwinder Singh**, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to file reply to the Show **Cause Notice** in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and was further directed to send the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant within 10 days along with attested copies of sought for information.

But today the respondent PIO is again absent and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission regarding sending the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has sent any reply to the Show Cause Notice.

Mr. Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary never appeared before the Commission on any date of hearing. He has not provided the sought for information and the compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant. So, the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- is hereby enhanced to Rs.5,000/- and the PIO is directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/- from the funds of public authority be provided to the appellant by way of demand draft within 7 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

IN the interest of justice a last and final opportunity is granted to **Shri Khushwinder Singh**, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to

file reply to the Show **Cause Notice** in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case he would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Sukhdev Singh, S/o Sh. Santa Singh,  
Village Dhupsari, PO Govt. Multitechnical, Batala,  
Distt. Gurdaspur.

--Appellant.

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Principal, Govt. Smart Sr.  
Sec. School, Shekhpur Kalan,  
Distt. Gurdaspur.

**First Appellate Authority:**  
O/o DEO (SE),  
Gurdaspur.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2986 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sukhdev Singh, appellant is present.  
Shri Manjit Singh, PIO-cum- Principal, Govt. Smart Sr. Sec. School, Shekhpur  
Kalan, Distt. Gurdaspur

**O R D E R**

Shri Sukhdev Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 24.11.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Principal, Govt. Smart Sr. Sec. School, Shekhpur Kalan, Distt. Gurdaspur.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are present today.

The respondent PIO stated that as was directed vide Order dated 27.10.2021, the appellant has not visited the office of the PIO till today.

The appellant stated that he cannot visit the office of the PIO and further requested that the information be sent to him through registered post.

Under these circumstances, the PIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information, specifically para-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days and compliance report be sent to the Commission.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Naresh Kumar,  
H. No. NH 318, Neela Mehal,  
PO New Green Market,  
New Dana Mandi, Jalandhar.

..... Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3044 of 2020**

Present:- Shri Naresh Kumar, appellant is absent.  
Shri Mandhir Singh, SPIO-cum-XEN is personally present along with Shri Vicky Sahota, Dealing Clerk, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

**O R D E R**

Shri Naresh Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 16.07.2020 and sought information from the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar regarding the government houses/quarters allotted to the employees of Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is absent today, whereas Shri Mandhir Singh, SPIO-cum-XEN is personally present.

I have gone through the Order dated 02.11.2021 and in compliance to the Order Shri Mandhir Singh, SPIO-cum-XEN has personally come present and filed written reply to the Show Cause Notice, which is taken in the file of the Commission.

The Commission has received an e-mail sent by the SPIO, which is a copy of letter no. 1048/CE/W dated 21.09.2021 vide which point-wise information/reply has been sent to the appellant. I have gone through the said letter and no information was sent to the appellant regarding point nos.2, 3, and 4 of the RTI application.

The SPIO stated that the information regarding point nos.2, 3, and 4 of the RTI application is ready.

As the appellant is absent today, so the SPIO is directed that the information regarding point nos.2, 3, and 4 of the RTI application be provided to the appellant within 2 days either by hand or sent through registered post.

The reply to the Show Cause Notice filed by Shri Mandhir Singh, SPIO-cum-XEN is taken in the file of the Commission and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the next date of hearing.

To come up personally on the next date of hearing i.e. **24.11.2021 at 10:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



Shri Sukhdial Singh Bhullar,  
S/o Shri Pala Singh,  
Village Nihalke, P.O. Makhu,  
Distt. Ferozepur.

..... Complainant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o ADC (Development),  
Ferozepur.

.....Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 620 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Sukhdial Singh Bhullar, complainant/applicant is absent.  
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o ADC (Development), Ferozepur.

**O R D E R**

Shri Sukhdial Singh Bhullar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 16.03.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o ADC (Development), Ferozepur.

**Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

Both the parties are absent today.

Shri Sukhdial Singh Bhullar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application on 16.03.2020 before the SPIO, O/o ADC (Development), Ferozepur and when no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed complaint before the Punjab State Information Commission. The complainant/applicant was present on 14.09.2021 and 27.10.2021, but no one has come present on behalf of the SPIO and neither any mail has been sent to the Commission by the SPIO.

**A show cause notice** was issued to **the SPIO, O/o ADC (Development), Ferozepur** vide Order dated 27.10.2021 and he was directed to file reply to the show cause notice within 15 days and an opportunity of personal hearing would be afforded to him. But the SPIO has not complied with the order of the Commission and has not sent any reply to the show cause notice nor to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant.

So, in the interest of justice a last and final opportunity is granted to the **SPIO, O/o ADC (Development), Ferozepur** to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant and to the show cause notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 10 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided without hearing him and a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- will be imposed upon him.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **07.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate,  
Chamber No. 16, New Distt. Court Complex,  
Fazilka.

.....Appellant.

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/ o Education Secretary,  
Punjab School Education Board,  
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority:  
O/o Education Secretary,  
Punjab School Education Board,  
Mohali.

.....Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2299 of 2021**

**Present:-** Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate, appellant is absent.  
Smt. Bimla Mann, SPIO-cum-Suptd. along with Sh. Arshu Kumar, Sr. Asstt.  
O/o Education Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali is present.

**ORDER**

Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate, appellant filed RTI application dated 09.11.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Education Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent SPIO is personally present.

The appellant is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission that he is unable to attend the hearing before the Commission for today.

The respondent SPIO stated that the information regarding point no. 1 of the RTI application has been sent to the appellant on 01.10.2021. The copy of the said letter is in the file of the Commission. I have gone through the said letter, but no information/reply regarding point nos. 2 to 10 of the RTI application has been sent to the appellant.

So the SPIO is directed that complete information/reply regarding each point of the RTI application be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and copy of the same be sent to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission strict action will be taken against the SPIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

During the course of hearing the SPIO raised question that the appellant has put up queries and questions in the RTI application. It is make clear hear that the SPIO is not bound to answer the queries and questions, but so far as the documentary information is concerned, the SPIO is bound to provide the same to the appellant.

Both the parties to come up for further hearing on **15.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M.**

**Dated: 16.11.2021**

**( Avtar Singh Kaler )**  
**State Information Commissioner, Punjab**