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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3653 OF 2019**

Sh. Harish Chander (9803523535)  
Goyal Ayurvedic Store,  
Chaina Bazar, Jaito-151202  
District Faridkot.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council,  
Jaito, District Faridkot.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Deputy Director,  
Local Government,  
Ferozepur.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Harish Chander, Appellant.  
Sh. Balwinder Singh, Executive Officer –cum- PIO.

### **ORDER:**

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

2. The Appellant states that after furnished the deficiencies, complete information has not been provided by the Respondent till date.
3. The Respondent states that no deficiencies found in the case file, which was furnished by him.
4. In view of the above, the Appellant is advised to furnish the deficiencies today in writing to the Respondent – PIO, under intimation to the Commission and the Respondent – PIO is directed to remove the same, after receiving the discrepancies from the Appellant, within 10 days, if there is no other information then file an affidavit in this regard, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. Adjourned
5. To come up on **28.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4352 OF 2019**

Sh. Dinesh Kumar, (7696733113)  
S/o Sh. Satpal Mittal,  
Village & Post Office Baja Khana,  
Tehsil Jaitio, District Faridkot-151205.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Inspector General of Police,  
Bathinda Range,  
Bathinda.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Dinesh Kumar, Appellant.  
ASI Jagjeet Singh on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2020.

2. The Appellant reiterates his earlier stand that incomplete and bogus information has been provided to him by the Respondents.
3. The Respondent states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the Appellant.
4. Last opportunity is given to the Respondent – PIO to provide the remaining information, as per RTI application of the Appellant, by the next date of hearing and bring the dispatch register of D.S.P. Bathinda Office and should appear personally, on the next date of hearing, failing which **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** will be issued to him under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. Adjourned.
5. To come up on **28.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4550 OF 2019**

Sh. Harbinder Singh, (8284817878)  
S/o Sh. Lala Singh,  
Village Phide Khurd, P.O. Wandar Jatana,  
Tehsil Kotkapura, District Faridkot.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Tehsildar,  
Kotkapura, District Faridkot.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Tehsildar,  
Kotkapura, District Faridkot.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
Sh. Charanjit Singh, Naib Tehsildar on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.03.2020.

2. The Appellant is again absent from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 23.01.2020 and 05.03.2020.
3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been sent to the Appellant vide letter no. 1059, dated 23.01.2020 through registered post
4. Keeping in view of the above, the Appellant has not attended the hearings consecutively thrice entailing thereby that he does not want to pursue this case further.
5. **Dismissed** for non-prosecution. Copies of the order be sent to parties.

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**17.06.2020**

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3345 OF 2019**

Shri Mukhtiar Singh, (9417138687)  
S/o Shri Jagir Singh,  
# PUDA-396(MCB-Z-2/03262)  
Model Town, Phase-II, Bathinda.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Director,  
Local Govt. Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director,  
Local Govt. Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**Public Information Officer, "Deemed-PIO"**  
O/o Director,  
Local Govt. Punjab, LG-2 Branch,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
Sh. Gagan, Sr. Assistant o/o LG-II Branch, Punjab & Sh. Rajeev Garg,  
Sr. Assistant O/o LG Punjab (TSC Branch) on behalf of the Respondents.

## **ORDER:**

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.02.2020.
2. The Appellant is again absent from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 19.11.2019; 21.01.2020 and 25.02.2020.
  3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the Appellant by the o/o Improvement Trust, Bathinda and he has acknowledged the same in writing. Copy of the same is taken on record.
  4. Keeping in view of the aforementioned observations, no further action is required; hence the Appeal Case is **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3577 OF 2019**

Shri Pardeep Singh,  
S/o Shri Jagmel Singh,  
Ward No.9, Near Vishavkarama  
Gurdwara, Sardulgarh, District Mansa.

...Appellant

Versus

### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Department,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Department,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Pardeep Singh, Appellant.  
None on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 13.02.2020.

2. The Appellant reiterate his earlier stand that no information has been provided to him by the Respondent – PIO till date.
3. The PIO is again absent from today's hearing, without any intimation to the Commission.
4. The perusal of the record reveals that in this case, the Appellant has tried his best to get the information from the PIO, who failed to provide the information to the Appellant within stipulated period. He has been made to run from pillar to post for getting the information, which he could not get even after the notice was issued by the Commission in the Second Appeal. He has suffered unnecessary detriments/ harassment in getting the information at the hands of the PIO.
5. I have also looked into all the facts and circumstances of the case. In my view this is a fit case, where award of compensation under Section 19 (8) (b) is also called for.

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## APPEAL CASE NO. 3577 OF 2019

6. I have no doubt in my mind that this state of affairs has also come about on account of the absence of adequate machinery for handling the RTI work in O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, is thus, responsible for the inadequate handling of the RTI requests and in the instant case as well.
7. I, therefore, order that compensation of Rs. 3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand Only) be paid to the Appellant for the detriments suffered by him.
8. This amount shall be payable from the funds of PIO O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, by way of crossed Cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Sh. Pardeep Singh within one month.
9. Sh. Amardeep Singh Bains, Deputy Director –cum – PIO O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab is also directed to send a copy of Cheque/Demand Draft to the Commission to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.
10. Sh. Amardeep Singh Bains, Deputy Director –cum – PIO is further directed to **file a reply** in response to the Show Cause Notice Issued to him vide order dated 13.02.2020 and should appear personally along with the requisite information, on the next date of hearing, failing which **penalty provisions will be initiated against him under section 20 (i) (ii) of the RTI Act, 2005.**
11. Adjourned. To come up on **28.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh  
17.06.2020

Sd/-  
(Hem Inder Singh)  
State Information Commissioner

**Copy to Intimation & Necessary Action: - (Regd. Post)**

**Sh. Amardeep Singh Bains,**  
Deputy Director –cum – PIO  
O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3799 OF 2019**

Ms. Kunti Devi, (8360452823)  
W/o Sh. Som Nath Jindal,  
# 2251, Gali No. 15, Bhagu Road,  
Bathinda-151001

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Inspector General of Police,  
Bathinda Zone,  
Bathinda.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
ASI Resham Singh on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.02.2020.

2. The Appellant is again absent from today's hearing and she was also absent on the last hearings dated 18.12.2019; 05.02.2020 and 25.02.2020.
3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been sent to the Appellant vide letter no. 239-R.T.I., dated 22.02.2020. Copy of the same is taken on record.
4. Keeping in view of the above, the Appellant has not attended the hearings consecutively fourth times entailing thereby that she does not want to pursue this case further. As the Appellant is absent and nothing has been heard from her regarding the receipt of information, it is presumed that she is satisfied with the information provided. No further action is required; hence the Appeal Case is **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4377 OF 2019**

Sh. Gurmail Singh,  
S/o Sh. Babu Singh,  
Ward No. 5, Factory Road,  
Rampura Phul, District Bathinda-151103

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Executive Officer,  
Municipal Council,  
Rampura Phul, District Bathinda-151103

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Deputy Director,  
Local Bodies, Bathinda-151001

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
Sh. Mandeep Singh, Computer Operator on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.03.2020.
2. The Appellant is again from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last date of hearing.
  3. The Respondent states that the Appellant has sought the voluminous information approximate three thousand (3000) pages.
  4. In view of the above, the Respondent – PIO is directed to write a letter to the Appellant today and asked him to specify the sought for information, through registered post, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
  5. Last opportunity is given to the Appellant to specify the requisite information to the Respondent – PIO within 10 days, under intimation to the Commission.
  6. Adjourned. To come up on **28.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3810 OF 2019**

Sh. Varun Khanna (9356242125)  
1st Floor No. 13, Mahajan Market,  
Gali Acharjan, Near Karmon Deori,  
Amritsar-143001

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Director,  
Punjab Education Department (Elementary),  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director,  
Punjab Education Department (Elementary),  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Varun Khanna, Appellant.  
None on behalf of the Respondents.

## **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.03.2020.

2. The Appellant again reiterates his earlier stand that incomplete and irrelevant information has been provided to him.
3. Neither the PIO nor his representative is present for today's hearing in the Commission.
4. The perusal of the case reveals that the required information has not been supplied to the Appellant after the lapse of the 11 months period. In view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act is issued to Sh. Sushil Nath, Assistant Director –cum- PIO O/o Director, Punjab Education Department (Elementary), S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) as to why penalty should not be imposed upon him for wilful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3810 OF 2019**

5. The Respondent - PIO is directed to file an affidavit in response to the Show Cause Notice and appear personally on the next date fixed, otherwise it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall initiate ex-parte proceeding.
6. Sh. Sushil Nath, Assistant Director –cum- PIO is also directed to appear personally along with the information relating to point no. 3,4 and 6 of the RTI application of the Appellant, on the next date of hearing, failing which penal provision will be initiated against him under section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005.
7. Adjourned. To come up on **16.07.2020 at 10:30 AM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
17.06.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
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### **P.S.:-**

Sh. Sushil Nath, Assistant Director –cum- PIO appeared in the Commission, after the hearing was over. He was briefed about the proceedings of the case.

**Chandigarh  
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Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**Copy to Intimation & Necessary Action: - (Regd. Post)**

**Sh. Sushil Nath,**  
Assistant Director – cum- PIO,  
O/o DPI (Elementary), Service Cell,  
Punjab School Education Board Complex,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4139 OF 2019**

Sh. Hunardeep Singh Sohal, (9463459338)  
House No. 298,  
Village & Post Office Vallah,  
Amritsar-143501

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Hunardeep Singh, Appellant.  
Ms. Kulwinder Kaur, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.02.2020.

2. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him by the Respondent – PIO.
3. The Respondent orally states that enquiry is still pending, therefore, information cannot be provided to the Appellant.
4. The Appellant further states that some information is available with the Department, which can be provide to him but they intentionally denied the information.
5. After discuss the RTI application of the Appellant, the Respondent is directed to provide the available information as discussed today in the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4139 OF 2019**

6. Last opportunity is given to Sh. Kulwinder Singh, Superintendent –cum PIO to appear personally along with the information, on the next date of hearing; failing **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him, as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
7. Adjourned. To come up on **16.07.2020 at 10:30 AM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
17.06.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**Copy to Intimation and necessary action:-**

**Shri Kulwinder Singh,**  
Superintendent-cum-PIO (Trust Service Cell)  
Local Self Government, Punjab  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, CHANDIGARH.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4179 OF 2019**

Sh. Sukhchain Singh (9463518565)  
Sonam Mohalla, Fatehgarh Churian,  
Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Principal Secretary,  
Local Government Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A,  
Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Principal Secretary,  
Local Government Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A,  
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Sukhchain Singh, Appellant.  
Sh. Satwinder Singh, Superintendent –cum- PIO.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.03.2020.

2. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him by the Respondent – PIO.
3. The Respondent – PIO appears in person and states that the inquiry is still pending in this case; therefore, requisite information cannot be supplied to the Appellant. He further states that as and when the inquiry is completed, the sought for information will be supplied to the Appellant as per the RTI Act, 2005.
4. As the enquiry is not completed till date, the case is **disposed of and closed** with the directions to the Respondent – PIO that whenever the enquiry is completed, report of the same should be given to the Appellant within 15 days from the date of the completion of the enquiry positively, under intimation to the Commission.
5. The Appellant is at liberty to approach the Commission if the Respondent – PIO will not comply with the above mentioned order passed by the Commission today. Copies of the orders be sent to the Parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2020**

Sd/-  
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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4219 OF 2019**

Shri Sukhchain Singh(9463518565)  
Sonam Mohalla, Fatehgarh Churian,  
Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary,  
Local Govt. Punjab,  
Sathanak Sarkar, MC Bhawan,  
Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary,  
Local Govt. Punjab,  
Sathanak Sarkar, MC Bhawan,  
Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Sukhchain Singh, Appellant.  
Sh. Satwinder Singh, Superintendent –cum- PIO.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.03.2020.

2. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him by the Respondent – PIO.
3. The Respondent – PIO appears in person and states that the inquiry is still pending in this case; therefore, requisite information cannot be supplied to the Appellant. He further states that as and when the inquiry is completed, the sought for information will be supplied to the Appellant as per the RTI Act, 2005.
4. As the enquiry is not completed till date, the case is **disposed of and closed** with the directions to the Respondent – PIO that whenever the enquiry is completed, report of the same should be given to the Appellant within 15 days from the date of the completion of the enquiry positively, under intimation to the Commission.
5. The Appellant is at liberty to approach the Commission if the Respondent – PIO will not comply with the above mentioned order passed by the Commission today. Copies of the orders be sent to the Parties.

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4392 OF 2019**

Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, (9814354649)  
S/o Sh. Kuldeep Raj Mahajan,  
President of Anti Corruption Council,  
Opposite Water Tank,  
Municipal Market, Mission Road, Pathankot.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o XEN,  
Punjab Water Supply & Sanitation Division No. 1,  
Tarn Taran.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Superintending Engineer,  
Water Supply & Sanitation Circle,  
Amritsar.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Clerk on behalf of the Respondents. Mo: 9780977654

## **ORDER:**

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.03.2020.
2. The Appellant is again absent from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 23.01.2020 and 04.03.2020.
  3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the Appellant vide dated 13.02.2020.
  4. After examining the case file, it is revealed that the Appellant had been furnished the deficiencies to the Respondent on 17.02.2020, therefore, the Respondent – PIO is directed to remove the same, before the next date of hearing, if there is no other information then file an affidavit in this regard, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. Adjourned.
  5. To come up on **29.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2020**

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**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 4393 OF 2019**

Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, (9814354649)  
S/o Sh. Kuldeep Raj Mahajan,  
President of Anti Corruption Council,  
Opposite Water Tank,  
Municipal Market, Mission Road, Pathankot.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o XEN,  
Punjab Water Supply & Sanitation Division No. 1,  
Tarn Taran.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Superintending Engineer,  
Water Supply & Sanitation Circle,  
Amritsar.

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Clerk on behalf of the Respondents. Mo: 9780977654

## **ORDER:**

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.03.2020.
2. The Appellant is again absent from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 23.01.2020 and 04.03.2020.
  3. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the Appellant vide dated 13.02.2020.
  4. After examining the case file, it is revealed that the Appellant had been furnished the deficiencies to the Respondent on 17.02.2020, therefore, the Respondent – PIO is directed to remove the same, before the next date of hearing, if there is no other information then file an affidavit in this regard, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. Adjourned.
  5. To come up on **29.07.2020 at 12:30 PM through Video Conference facility of PAWAN in the o/o Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**