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Sh. Rahul Gupta, S/o Sh. Dharampal,  
R/o H. No. 170, Street No. 06, Mohalla Hargobindpura,  
Jagraon, District Ludhiana (M: 9664137600)

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Office,  
Nagar Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 2132 of 2021

**{Heard in Court}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Rahul Gupta is absent.  
Sh. Aman Kumar, Sr. Assistant is present from LG Department.

### **ORDER:**

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 04.07.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rahul Gupta is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Aman Kumar states that as it was clarified in the previous orders of the Commission that this information relates with the PIO office of EO, NC, Jagraon but the concerned PIO of NC, Jagraon has to appear before Hon'ble ADC, Ludhiana for appeal cases and further requests for an adjournment. For the same, an email dated 23.08.2022 has also been received in the Commission and is taken on record.

In view of above, the PIO concerned (i.e. PIO office of EO, NC, Jagraon) is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post within a week and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Appellant till date; failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO, on the next date of hearing.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Rahul Gupta is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 23.08.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

To  
The Deputy Registrar, PSIC  
(Encl. Case File AC: 2132 of 2021)

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Sh. Brij Lal Bansal,  
S/o Sh. Sham Lal Bansal,  
H. No. 130, Ward Number 12, Kurali,  
District SAS Nagar (140103) Punjab

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The District Education Officer (Secondary),  
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Public Instructions (Sec.) Punjab,  
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B Complex, Sector 62,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 949 of 2022

**{Heard in Court}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Brij Lal Bansal is present in the Court.  
None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 04.07.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Brij Lal Bansal states that incomplete information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Brij Lal is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email (within 15 days), with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

An opportunity is given to the PIO concerned and the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information (after removing the deficiencies) to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

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**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

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Sh. Sukhdial Singh Bhullar (M: 98140-05121),  
S/o Sh. Pala Singh,  
Village Nihalke, PO Makhu, District Ferozepur (142044)

Complainant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner, (Development),  
Ferozepur.

Respondent

## Complaint Case No. 620 of 2021

**{Heard in Court}**

**Present :** The Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh is present.  
Ms. Balvinder Kaur, Assistant Project Officer from office of ADC,  
Ms. Sita, APIO from office of ADC,  
Sh. Malkiat Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Block Makhu and  
Sh. Devi Prashad from Election Cell are present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 04.07.2022.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, Ms. Balvinder Kaur, APO states that the information has to be supplied by the office of Panchayat Secretary and in relating to this he further mentions about the letter dated 02.08.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record. On this, Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Malkiat Singh states that the file is under process.

**It has also been found out that the penalty amount Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) which was imposed vide order dated 31.05.2022 has also not been deposited by the concerned PIO to the Government Treasury till date, which is unacceptable.**

**On further discussion; both the parties (i.e. respondents as well as complaint) are requesting for a short with mutual consent.**

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to deposit the penalty amount **Rs. 25,000/- (i.e. imposed vide order dated 31.05.2022 )** and submit the proof of the same to the Commission. Further, the concerned PIO is advised supply the requisite information to the Complainant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post within 15 days from today and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Complainant till date; failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO, on the next date of hearing.

The Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

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**Dated: 23.08.2022**

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**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

To  
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Sh. Malkit Singh, (M: 98783-61825),

H. No. 230, Ward number 7, Mohalla Subash Nagar, Sunam.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,

Nagar Council, Udham Singh Wala, Sunam.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The ADC, Sangrur.

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 1379 of 2022

**{Heard Through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Malkit Singh is present through webex.

Sh. Kirandeep Sahota, Clerk from office of NC, Sunam is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI application is 28.09.2021, the date of First Appeal is 18.11.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Malkit Singh states that he has received information relating to point number 1 of the RTI application but the information relating to point number 02 is still pending.

On the other hand, the Clerk, Sh. Kirandeep states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant and still if there is any discrepancy then the Appellant could visit their office in working hours.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Malkit Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 31.08.2022 at 12.00 Noon for collecting the concerned record relating to point number 02 of his RTI application. The PIO concerned and other concerned officials are directed to be present in the concerned office at the time of inspection.

If the Appellant would not visit the concerned office on the decided date and time then it would be presumed that he has no interest in gathering the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits. On the other side, if the inspection couldnot take place from the PIO's end then a strict action would be taken against PIO concerned.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 23.08.2022**

**To**

**The Deputy Registrar, PSIC  
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Sh. Sham Sunder, (M: 83607-50322),

R/o Village Dangar Khera,

Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Panchayat Secretary,

Gram Panchayat, Dangar Khera,

Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

{Encl. RTI Application}

First Appellate Authority,

O/o DDPO, Fazilka.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1387 of 2022**

**{Heard Through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Sham Sunder is present through webex.

None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI application is 23.12.2021, the date of First Appeal is 31.01.2022 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Sham Sunder states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as the Respondent / PIO is absent today and as per the Appellant information is still not supplied to him till date.**

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Dangar Khera, Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

**In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.**

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

**The FAA O/o DDPO, Fazilka is directed to look into this matter and make sure the concerned PIO must comply the above said order.**

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Sham Sunder is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 23.08.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

CC:- The Deputy Registrar, PSIC  
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Sh. Trilochan Singh (M: 86862-78000)  
S/o Sh. Gurbhachan Singh,  
R/o 848 -A, MIG, Jamalpur, Ludhiana.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 1397 of 2022

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Trilochan Singh is absent.  
None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI application is 22.11.2020, the date of First Appeal is 26.07.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Trilochan Singh is absent. He further sent an email dated 23.08.2022 relating to this case vide which he has stated that no information has been supplied to him and requests for an adjournment as he would not be able to attend the today's hearing.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a letter dated 02.05.2022 (enclosed information) from the concerned PIO has been received by the bench of undersigned and the copy of the same has been sent to the Appellant as well. But as per Appellant's email dated 23.08.2022, he has not received any information.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to supply the requisite information (**again**) to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post within 15 days failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO, on the next date of hearing.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Trilochan Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

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Sh. Ajay Kumar,  
S/o Sh. Ram Rakha,  
R/o H. No. A – 1346, Street Number 01,  
Radha Swami Colony, Fazilka.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The DPI (EE), Punjab,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The DPI (EE), Punjab, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 1405 of 2022

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Ajay Kumar is present.  
None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI application is 26.11.2021, the date of First Appeal is 04.01.2022 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ajay Kumar states that the information which has been supplied to him is not readable and incomplete in nature.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Ajay Kumar is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email (within 15 days), with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

An opportunity is given to the PIO concerned and the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information (after removing the deficiencies) to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

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**Dated: 23.08.2022**

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State Information Commissioner  
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**To**

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Sh. Amrik Singh, (M: 98557-29190)

S/o Sh. Nirmal Singh,

VPO Sirathla, Tehsil Payal,

District Ludhiana.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The BDPO,

Maloud, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The DDPO, Ludhiana.

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 1406 of 2022

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Amrik Singh is present.

None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI application is 03.01.2022, the date of First Appeal is 07.02.2022 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Amrik Singh states that uncertified and incomplete information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Amrik Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email (within 15 days), with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

An opportunity is given to the PIO concerned and the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information (after removing the deficiencies) to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

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**Dated: 23.08.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
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**To**

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Sh. Mangat Singh, S/o Sh. Natha Singh,  
Village Hariau Khurd, Tehsil Patran, District Patiala.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The BDPO,  
Patran, District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The BDPO, Patran,  
District Patiala.

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 5274 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Mangat Singh is present.  
Sh. Jarnail Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 17.05.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mangat Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Jarnail Singh requests for an adjournment as he seeks some time to supply the requisite information to the Appellant, Sh. Mangat Singh.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the PIO concerned and the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant and inform the same to the Commission through email or registered post and if the information is not available with them then the concerned PIO is directed to file an affidavit explaining the reasons why the information is not available with them and it could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

**The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Mangat Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

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**To**

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Sub. Maj. Balbir Singh S/o Sh. Ram Kishan,  
Village Jamalpur, (Umarpur),  
PO Umarpur, Tehsil Mukherian, District Hoshiarpur. M: 9464726538

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Hoshiarpur,  
District Hoshiarpur (Punjab)

V/s.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The DDPO, Hoshiarpur.

... Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 5281 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present :** The Appellant, Sub. Maj. Balbir Singh is present.  
Sh. Dilawar Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 17.05.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sub. Maj. Balbir Singh states that the information which has been supplied to him does not relate with his RTI.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Dilawar Singh states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant by the office of BDPO, Mukerian. He further mentions a letter vide endorsement number 05- 07 dated 18.08.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

As both the parties are disagreeing to each other statements. So, in view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the **PIO and other concerned officials would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against the PIO on the next date of hearing. The show cause notice which was issued to the concerned PIO vide previous hearing still stands.**

The Appellant, Sh. Sub Maj. Balbir Singh or his representative is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 23.08.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

To  
The Deputy Registrar, PSIC  
(Encl. Case File AC: 5281 of 2021)

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Sh. Jasbir Singh Sekhon, S/o Sh. Kartar Singh,  
Village Tandi, PO Laroya, District Jalandhar.

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat, Tandi, Bhogpur, District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The BDPO, Bhogpur,  
District Jalandhar.

... Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 5099 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present :** The Appellant, Jasbir Singh is present in the Court.  
None is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 17.05.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as the Respondent / PIO is absent today and as per the Appellant information is still not supplied to him till date.**

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tandi, Bhogpur, District Jalandhar, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

**In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.**

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

**The FAA O/o BDPO, Bhogpur, District Jalandhar is directed to look into this matter and make sure the concerned PIO must comply the above said order.**

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

As I am demitting the office on 23.09.2022, hence, next date of hearing in this case cannot be announced. Accordingly this case file be sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

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