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Sh Simranjit Singh, S/o Sh Jagdish Singh,  
# 93/2, Adarsh Nagar,  
Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1042 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Simranjit Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashok Kumar, Suptd. O/o JDA Jalandhar for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 26.12.2018 has sought information regarding notices issued to different persons on different dates alongwith the name of concerned officer and other information concerning the office of JDA Jalandhar. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 30.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that since the matter relates the regularization of unauthorized colonies under the State Govt Regularization policy, and the cases of these persons are under process with the Department, the information will be provided after a final decision is taken in the matter.

The appellant pleaded that he has sought the copies of the notices issued. Hearing both the parties, the respondent is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh  
Dated 27.06.2019

(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commissioner



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# 93/2, Adarsh Nagar,  
Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1043 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Simranjit Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashok Kumar, Suptd. O/o JDA Jalandhar for the Respondent**

**ORDER:** The appellant through RTI application dated 28.12.2018 has sought information regarding complete file of colony No.4J regarding Garden enclave, 5J for Evergreen Enclave, 6J for Guru Nagar, 1-K for NRI Enclave and other information concerning the office of JDA Jalandhar. The appellant was not satisfied with the information provided by the PIO vide letter dated 09.01.2019 stating that the matter relates the regularization of unauthorized colonies under the State Govt Regularization policy, and the cases of these 3<sup>rd</sup> parties are under process with the Department and that the information will be provided after a final decision is taken in the matter. Thereafter, the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 30.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

Hearing both the parties, the respondent is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

During the hearing, the appellant also raised the point regarding section 4 of the RTI Act which pertains to the obligations of the Public Authorities, whereby, the public authorities create a system to maintain records, as well disseminate them suo-motto in easily accessible form, preferably electronic and the Internet, so that the public have minimum resort to use this Act to obtain information.

I see validity in the appellant's reason and as per powers vested Under Section 19(8)(a)(iii) of the RTI Act, which empowers the Central Information Commission or State Information Commission to require the public authority to take any such steps as may be necessary to secure compliance with the provisions of this Act, including by publishing certain information or categories of information, I hereby implead the Chief Administrator, JDA Jalandhar to prepare a roadmap for implementation of the Section 4 of this Act and present it at the next date of hearing.

The case to come up for further hearing on **02.09.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**CC to PIO-Chief Administrator, JDA Jalandhar**

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Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1044 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Simranjit Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashok Kumar, Suptd. O/o JDA Jalandhar for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 21.12.2018 has sought information regarding file of Star City RCF Colony by receipt No.500360 dated 06.12.2018 and other information concerning the office of JDA Jalandhar. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 21.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal..

The appellant claims that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent present pleaded that the matter relates the regularization of unauthorized colonies under the State Govt Regularization policy, and the cases of these 3<sup>rd</sup> parties are under process with the Department and that the information will be provided after a final decision is taken in the matter.

Hearing both the parties, the respondent is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed.**

**Sd/-**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**(Khushwant Singh)**  
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Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1045 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Simranjit Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Ashok Kumar, Suptd. O/o JDA Jalandhar for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 18.12.2018 has sought information regarding permission to have inspection of files of NOC applied in the regularization policy and other information concerning the office of JDA Jalandhar. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 21.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal..

The respondent present pleaded that the matter relates the regularization of unauthorized colonies under the State Govt Regularization policy, and the cases of these 3<sup>rd</sup> parties are under process with the Department and that the information will be provided after a final decision is taken in the matter. The respondent further informed that the information is voluminous.

Hearing both the parties, the respondent is directed to provide an index to the appellant via email within 10 days and the appellant to specify the list of 50 files and inspect the record by fixing a mutually convenient date and time. The PIO to allow the inspection of record and provide the information.

To come up for further hearing on **02.09.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Sd/-**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

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Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, P.O Ramgarh,  
Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o SDM, Malout,  
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o SDM, Malout,  
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1049 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**Mrs Adarshpal Kaur, PIO and Sh.Gopal Singh, SDM Malout for the**  
**Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 19.12.2018 has sought information regarding action taken on the implementation of Section 4(a, b, c & d) of the RTI Act and other information concerning the office of SDM Malout. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 21.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that the appellant was asked vide letter dated 28.01.2019 to inspect the record and get the information but he did not turn up. The First Appellate Authority also summoned the appellant vide letter dated 07.03.2019 to come present before him and inspect the record but the appellant did not appear. It was presumed by the First Appellate Authority that the appellant has received the information and does not want to pursue his case as he did not bother to come present and the appeal was disposed off.

I have gone through the RTI application and observe that the appellant has tried to seek information on the steps taken towards implementation of Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005 and its sub-sections. The appellant requires any notification or any order or minutes of the meeting under which section 4 has been implemented. It maybe stated that section 4 and its subsections pertain to the obligations of the Public Authorities, whereby, the public authorities create a system to maintain records, as well disseminate them suo-motto in easily accessible form, preferably electronic and the Internet, so that the public have minimum resort to use this Act to obtain information.

The respondent is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

To come up for compliance of **16.10.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh  
Dated 27.06.2019

(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, P.O Ramgarh,  
Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o SDM, Gidderbaha,  
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o SDM, Gidderbaha,  
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1053 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 19.12.2018 has sought information regarding action taken on the implementation of Section 4(a, b, c & d) of the RTI Act and other information concerning the office of SDM Gidderbaha. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 21.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

The appellant has informed telephonically that he has received the information and does not want to pursue the case further.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
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Sh Azad Kumar, S/o Sh B.N Sharma,  
# 49-B, Partap Nagar, Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Deputy Chief Engineer/ HR & Admin,  
The Mall, Opp Kali Devi Mandir,  
Shakti Sadan, PSTCL, Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Chief Engineer/TS. PSTCL,  
Patiala.

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1069 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Azad Kumar as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Paramjit Singh, SE Planning, PSTCL Patiala and Hardeep Singh for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 23.08.2018 has sought information regarding action taken on his request dated 07.09.2006 address to Secretary PSEB Patiala in connection with fixation of revised seniority and other information concerning the office of Deputy Chief Engineer/ HR & Admin, The Mall, Opp Kali Devi Mandir, Shakti Sadan, PSTCL, Patiala. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.09.2018 which took no decision on the appeal. Thereafter, the PIO sent information to the appellant vide letter dated 21.09.2018. On having not satisfied with the information, the appellant filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal before the Commission on 18.03.2019.

The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provide to the appellant. The appellant is not satisfied and claims that the information provided by the PIO is incomplete.

Having gone through the RTI application and the information provided by the PIO and hearing both the parties, the PIO is directed to look into point-1 and provide the information.

The information on points-2 & 3 stands provided. Regarding information on point-4, the respondent pleaded that since the information relates to the office of SE-Personnel, PSPCL Patiala and they have already transferred the RTI application to them vide letter dated 21.09.2018. The PIO-SE Personnel, PSPCL, Patiala is impleaded in the case and directed to look at the RTI application and provide the information on point-4.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.08.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**CC to : PIO-SE Personnel, PSPCL, Patiala**

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Sh Azad Kumar, S/o Sh B.N Sharma,  
# 49-B, Partap Nagar, Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Deputy Chief Engineer/ HR & Admin,  
The Mall, Opp Kali Devi Mandir,  
Shakti Sadan, PSTCL, Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Chief Engineer/TS. PSTCL,  
Patiala.

... Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1070 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Azad Kumar as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Paramjit Singh, SE Planning, PSTCL Patiala and Hardeep Singh, Sr.**  
**Assistant, O/o CE/HR for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 30.07.2018 has sought information on 9 points regarding action taken on the legal advice of the legal advisor PSEB dated 06.12.1990 as well as action taken on application dated 02.04.2018 addressed to CMD who marked on 05.04.2018 with the remarks "Put up with file" and other information concerning the office of Deputy Chief Engineer/ HR & Admin, The Mall, PSTCL, Patiala.. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.09.2018, which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that the available information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant is not satisfied and stated that the information is incomplete. Having gone through the RTI application and the information provided by the respondent and hearing both the parties, following was concluded:

- Regarding point-1 & 4, the respondent pleaded that the information is not available since the record is not traceable. However, the Commission will not consider the record missing or destroyed until an enquiry is conducted which establishes that the record is missing or destroyed. The respondent to conduct an enquiry and submit complete enquiry report on an affidavit.
- The information on points 2 & 3 stands provided to the best possible extent.
- Regarding points 5 to 8, the appellant to inspect the record on the date fixed i.e. on 16.07.2019 at 11.00 AM. The PIO to allow the inspection and provided the information.
- Regarding point-9, the PIO to provide the information.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.08.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

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ShGurmukh Singh, S/o ShNatha Singh,  
VPO Hohsiarpur, Tehsil Kharar,  
Distt Mohali.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Land Acquisition Collector,  
GMADA, Mohali

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o EO, GMADA,  
Mohali

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1085 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Gurmukh Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Gurvinder Singh, APIO for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 24.12.2018 has sought information regarding assessment of Jamun Trees standing on the land bearing khasra No.10//25-3, &khasra No.20//48 and other information concerning the office of Land Acquisition Collector, GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 30.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant claims that the information is incorrect since the PIO has not provided the assessment report of the trees standing on particular khasra numbers for which he has sought the information.

Having gone through the record, I find that the PIO has given incorrect information since in his reply, the PIO has mentioned that the assessment has been provided whereas the assessment has not been done by the concerned department, after which the Land Acquisition department has written to the Forest and Horticulture department for assessment.

Since it is a case of encashment where the appellant has been harassed, I hereby instruct the department of Forest, Punjab and the department of Horticulture to complete the assessment within 45 days and once the assessment is completed and sent to the Land acquisition department, the information be provided to the appellant.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.10.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**CC to: 1. PIO-Department of Forests, Punjab, Mohali**  
**2. PIO-Department of Horticulture, Punjab, Mohali**



ShTej Mohan Singh, S/o ShMakhan Singh,  
R/o H NO-139-140, Raja Garden, BastiBawaKhel,  
Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o JDA,  
Jalandhar

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1094 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Tej Mohan Singh as the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 06.11.2018 has sought information on 14 points regarding completion of sewerage system, roads, electricity poles, electric transformer etc. in Canal Rrest House residential colony, Kapurthala Road, Jalandhar and other information concerning the office of JDA Jalandhar. The appellant was not satisfied with the information provided by the PIO vide letter dated 26.11.2018 after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.12.2018, which took no decision on the appeal.

The appellant claims that the PIO has provided information only on 3 points which is also incomplete.

The respondent is absent without intimation to the Commission. There has been an enormous delay in providing the information. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO is again directed to send complete information to the appellant within 15 days

The case is adjourned. Both the parties to be present **on 27.08.2019 at 11.00 AM** for further hearing

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
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Maha Singh Nagar, P.O DhandariKalan,  
Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Chief Administrative, GLADA,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Chief Administrative, GLADA,  
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1098 of 2019**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Santosh Kumar, PIO GLADA for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 15.12.2018 has sought information on 5 points regarding details of illegal colonies district-wise in the jurisdiction of GLADA and other information concerning the office of GLADA Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 18.01.2019, which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that since the information is voluminous, the appellant was asked vide letter dated 08.01.2019 to specify the name of the colony/colonizer or inspect the record and get the desired information by depositing requisite fee under the RTI Act. but the appellant did not turn up. The respondent further informed that a list of illegal colonies regarding point-1 has now been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 21.06.2019.

Regarding point-2&4 ,since the matter for regularization of these colonies under the State Govt. Regularization Policy is under process, the last date of which is 30.06.2019, the information will be provided after a final decision is taken in the matter.

Regarding point-3, the information is available on the website of the department. The PIO is directed to send reply to the appellant.

Regarding point-5, the information is voluminous, if there is any specific information that the appellant wants, can be provided.

I have seen the reply of the PIO and find that the PIO has addressed all the points of the RTI application and no further course of action is required.

With the above observations, the case is **disposed off and closed.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**



ShGurbax Ram, S/o Sh Ram Dya,  
R/o Village Nadha, P.O NayaGaon,  
Tehsil Kharar, Distt Mohali.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Addl, XEN, Distribution,  
Sub Division, PSPCL, MullanpurGaribDass,  
Kharar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/oSE, PSPCL, Phase-1,  
Industrial Area, Pb, Mohali.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1102 of 2019**

**PRESENT: Sh.Gurbax Ram as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Rajesh Kumar for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 12.09.2018 has sought information regarding A.P.Connection provided to Sh.Bidhi Chand s/o Siri Ram by installing electric poles in the middle of the public way and other information concerning the office of Addl, XEN, Distribution, Sub Division, PSPCL, MullanpurGaribDass, Kharar. The information was denied by the PIO vide letter dated 28.09.2018 stating that the information is 3<sup>rd</sup> party, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.12..2018, which disposed off the appeal and informed the appellant vide letter dated 25.01.2019 that at the time of installation of poles, there was no public way and no-one had raised objection. Further, if anybody has objection and wants to shift the poles, they can apply as per procedure alongwith the processing fee.

It appears to be a dispute about an electric pole which as per appellant has been installed wrongly while providing an electric connection. The appellant says that it was marked as Rasta in the record. The appellant is directed to submit proof that this was marked a Rasta and the electricity department has wrongly installed the poles.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.10.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.06.2019**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**