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Sh. Krishan Gopal, Executive Engineer(Retd.) R/o Ladi Street, Ward No.5 One Way Traffic Road, Mansa.

Appellant

PSIC

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Punjab Infrastructure Development Board, SCO 33-35, Sector-34A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Managing Director, Punjab Infrastructure Development Board, SCO 33-35, Sector-34A, Chandigarh.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.755/2019

Date of RTI	Date of Reply, if	Date of First Appeal	Date of order,	Date of Second
Application	any of SPIO	made, if any	if any of FAA	Appeal/ Complaint
15.11.2018	22.11.2018	03.01.2019	Nil	18.02.2019

Present: Shri Krishan Gopal, Appellant is present. Mrs. Pooja Makkar, AGM (Finance), Sh.J.Lobo. Sr. Manager and Ms. Nidhi, API from PIDB Chandigarh.

ORDER:

The appellant has a grievance against the respondents for having failed to take suitable action against a faulty construction of drain by Engineering Wing of Punjab Mandi Board. Allegedly, it is causing nuisance to him. The respondents admit having released the amount for execution of the aforesaid work. All the documents/ information relating to the same have already been provided to the appellant.

The Deputy Commissioner, Mansa has already entrusted the enquiry to Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mansa to look into it and submit a report. The RTI Commission is not a grievance redressal forum. It can assist the appellant in procuring the information which is validly permissible. The Commission feels that no information has been withheld and there is no occasion for the Commission to interfere into the impugned order.



Appeal Case No.755/2019

The appeal is disposed with the directions to the Deputy Commissioner, Mansa to ensure that speedy assessment of the situation is done and the necessary corrective measures are taken. A copy of the enquiry report thus submitted by the Executive Officer shall also be provided to the appellant within 15 days of its submission.

Disposed.

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Sh. Jeeta Singh, S/o Sh.Barkat Ram, R/o Village Moran Wala, Tehsil Jalalabad,District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Guruharsahai, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No.826/2019

Respondents

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
05.12.2018	Nil	08.01.2019	Nil	25.02.2019

Present: Sh. Jeet Singh, Appellant is present. Mrs. Avtar Kaur, Clerk, O/o BDPO Guruharsahai- for respondents.

ORDER:

The appellant has sought to know the details of the amount sanctioned and released under Indira Awaas Yojna in his favour. The respondent represented by Ms. Avtar Kaur, Clerk, states that that the appellant has been informed about the same. The appellant denies having received any information. The respondents are directed to furnish to the Commission a copy of the information reported to have been sent to the appellant. If the same has not reached him, they are again advised to send it to the appellant complete in all respects.

The matter shall be reheard on 24.07.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conference at Fazilka.

_{Sd/-} (Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Appellant

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Sh. Kuldeep Kumar S/o Late Sh.Mulkh Raj, Village Shahar (Chhanni) PO Ferozepur Kalan, Tehsil & Distt. Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

Respondent

Complainant

Complaint Case No.205/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
17.01.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	20.02.2019

Present: Complainant Sh.Kuldeep Kumar, Advocate in person. Sh.Ramesh Kumar, Panchayat Secretary – for respondents.

ORDER:

The complainant has sought to know the BPL cards having been issued by the BDPO Sujanpur during the period 2013 to 2018. Information about some alleged illegal mining from a canal abutting the village mentioned in the address of the appellant has also been asked.

The respondent regrets the delay in providing the information due to his preoccupation with the Parliamentary elections. He says that he is the recent incumbent and assures the Commission to provide the information immediately. The respondent is directed to transmit the information within 7 days from today positively under intimation to the Commission failing which the penal consequences shall follow.

The matter shall be monitored again on 31.07.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conference at Pathankot.

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Jora Singh, S/o Sh.Niranjan Singh, R/o Vill.Burj Baghel Singh Wala Tehsil Malerkotla, District Sangrur.

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla, District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sangrur.

Appeal Case No.809/2019

Versus

Respondents

Date of RTI	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal	Date of order,	Date of Second
Application		made, if any	if any of FAA	Appeal/ Complaint
23.10.2017	Nil	28.03.2018	11.06.2018	22.03.2019

Present: Sh. Jora Singh, Appellant is present. None is present on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

The appellant is seeking information with regard to various development works having been executed by the Gram Panchayat of Village Burj Baghel Singh Wala, Tehsil Malerkotla, District Sangrur. The original application has been filed way back on 23.10.2017. Even the appeal made before the First Appellate Authority did not elicit any response. The appellant has been constrained to file 2nd Appeal with the Commission which takes a serious note of indifferent demeanour of the respondents.

The BDPO Malerkotla, District Sangrur is issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.



Appellant



Appeal Case No.809/2019

In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

To come up on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Sangrur.

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Bakar Singh, Vill. Megha,Panjgrain Hithar, PO Panje ke Uttar, Distt Ferozepur (152024).

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Guruharsahai.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2060/2018

Date of RTI	Date of Reply, if	Date of First	Date of order, if any of FAA
Application	any of SPIO	Appeal made, if any	
12.10.2017	Nil	26.02.2018	Nil

Present: Sh. Mohinder Singh, Appellant is absent Shri Chander Singh, Panchayat Secretary- for Respondents.

<u>ORDER</u>

The following order was passed on 03.04.2019:-

"Due to technical glitch the video conferencing could not mature. The Commission

observes that the appellant had asked for details of income and expenditure incurred by the Gram

Panchayat of Village Megha Punjgrain Hittar, District Ferozepur and information relating to

MGNREGA funds for the period from 2013 to 2017 as enumerated in detail in his original application.

The BDPO, Gur Harsahai has neither provided the information to the appellant nor filed a reply to the

notice of the Commission despite more than couple of communications. The BDPO, Gur Harsahai as

such has violated the provisions of Section 7(1) of the RTI Act and rendered himself liable for penal

consequences.

The PIO – cum – BDPO, Gur Harsahai (by name) is issued a show cause notice to

explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum

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f Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

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In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte".

The appellant is absent. The respondents represented by Shri Chander Singh, Panchayat Secretary of the concerned village submits that information has since been supplied to him and the acknowledgment has also been issued by the appellant which is in his custody. Even so, the Commission takes serious note of the conduct of the respondents who have failed to file reply to the notice of the Commission leading to the wasteful exercise and wastage of time of the authorities. He is directed to file a written reply along with copy of the acknowledgement to the Commission before the next date positively. He should also explain the delay in the supply of information beyond the stipulated period.

The matter shall be heard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Ferozepur.

^{Sd/-} (Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Gurcharan Singh, S/o Sh. Kirpal Singh, R/o Vill. Basti Aziz Wali, PO Sandhe Hasham, Tehsil & Distt. Ferozepur.

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Distt. Ferozepur.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2611/2018

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal
16.09.2017	Nil	15.01.2018	Nil	17.07.2018

Sh.Gurcharan Singh, Appellant is present. Present: Sh.Gurmail Singh, Panchayat Secretary – for respondents.

ORDER

The commission had made the following observations on 03.04.2019:-

"Due to technical glitch the video conferencing could not mature"

The case has again come up today. The respondents, being represented by

Sh.Gurmail Singh, Panchayat Secretary, state that he has recently joined. Sh. Dharampal Singh, his

predecessor till date has not handed over the record to him. The Commission takes an adverse notice

of it. The original application was filed on 16.09.2017 and the first appeal was made on 15.01.2018.

Despite the lapse of more than a year and half, the authorities have failed to provide the sought for

information.

From the record, it is seen that the DDPO has been consistently advising the BDPO

to monitor the transmission of information. However, the BDPO intriguingly has stone-walled the issue

leaving it to the sweet will of the Panchayat Secretary who has been unmindful of the compliance of

the provisions of RTI Act.

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Appellant



Appeal Case No.2611/2018

The Commission finds that the BDPO Ghall Khurd and Shri Dharampal Singh, the then Panchayat Secretary have willfully denied and obstructed the flow of information and have violated the provisions under Section 7(1) of the RTI Act. They have rendered themselves liable for penal action.

The BDPO Ghall Khuard, District Ferozepur and Sh.Dharampal Singh, Panchayat Secretary are issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on them for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

To come up on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference at Ferozepur.

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Mohinder Pal. R/o # 117, Model Town, Phase-2, Bathinda.

Public Information Officer, O/o Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Division, Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Superintending Engineer, Panchayati Raj Circle, Bathinda

Appellant

Appeal Case No.797/2019

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
31.07.2018	23.08.2018	23.09.2019	Nil	21.02.2019

Present: Shri Mohinder Pal, Appellant is present. Shri Satish Kumar, XEN, Panchayati Raj, Faridkot/PIO Shri Mahesh Garg, SDO, Panchayati Raj, Bathinda -for respondents.

ORDER:

The appellant has sought the copies of the Diary & Dispatch Registers along with the postal receipts of registered letters having been sent during the period from 01.07.2015 to 31.07.2018 by the respondents. The Commission does not find justification in provision of such a massive information which will result in waste of public resources. The respondents are advised to allow him an inspection within a period of 15 days on mutually agreed upon date and time and supply certified copies of the documents but not beyond 50 pages. In case the appellant is not satisfied with the aforesaid quantum, he should justify the demand of additional copies so as to serve a public cause.

To come up for confirmation of compliance on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conference at Bathinda.

> Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Respondents

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Sh. Balwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Lal Singh, R/o Vill. Kalasa, Tehsil Raikot, District-Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer Raikot, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appellant

Appeal Case No.765/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
25.09.2018	Nil	10.11.2019	Nil	20.02.2019

Present: Sh.Balwinder Singh, Appellant is present. None is present on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

The respondents are absent. The Commission takes serious note of it. They are

advised to provide him the information failing which penal action shall be taken.

To come up on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conference at Ludhiana.

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Sh. Avtar Singh R/o VPO-Sidhwan Kalan, Tehsil-Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No.769/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
16.04.2018		04.06.2018		20.02.2019

Present: Shri Avtar Singh, Appellant is present. Shri Lakhbir Rai, Panchayat Secretary- for the respondents.

ORDER:

The respondents represented by Sh.Lakhbir Rai, Panchayat Secretary, say that they have brought along the information which has been arranged to be handed over on the spot in the V.C. to the appellant. The appellant apprehends some deficiencies in it. The respondents are directed to file a written reply to the notice of the Commission with regard to the information sought, besides explaining the delay in providing the information. The appellant may also like to revert to the submissions made by the respondents before the Commission, if he so desires.

The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through Video Conference at Ludhiana.

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

29.05.2019

Appellant

Respondents



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Sh. Gurmeet Singh, S/o Sh.Gurdev Singh, R/o Vill. Sarawa, Tehsil Jaito, District Faridkot.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Jaito, District Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Faridkot.

Appeal Case No.753/2019

Respondents

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
29.10.2018	Nil	28.11.2018	Nil	18.02.2019

<u>ORDER</u>

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The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30AM through video conference

at Faridkot.

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Sh. Harjinder Singh, S/o Sh.Swaran Singh, R/o VPO-Gumti Khurd(Sewa Wala) Tehsil-Jaito,District-Faridkot.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Jaito, District Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Faridkot.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.774/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
31.10.2018	14.11.2018	01.01.2019	Nil	20.02.2019

<u>ORDER</u>

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The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30AM through video conference

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Ms. Amandeep Kaur D/o Sh. Gurjant Singh, Near Gurudwara Sahib, Muktsar Road,Village Rameana Jaito,District Faridkot.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Jaito, District Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Faridkot.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.838/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
02.10.2018		20.11.2018	Nil	25.02.2019

<u>ORDER</u>

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The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30AM through video conference

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Sh.Gurcharan Singh Bisalla S/o Sh.Nagina Singh, Vill.Basiala, Tehsil Garhshankar Distt.Hoshiarpur.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Garhshankar, District Hoshiarpur.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.208/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
02.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	25.02.2019

Present: Shri Gurcharan Singh, Complainant is present.

None is present on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

The respondents are absent. The appellant submits that he has been provided with the information only yesterday. As it is voluminous information, he would like to go through and

convey the deficiencies, if any.

The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30 AM through video conference

at Hoshiarpur.

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Sh. Hakam Singh, S/o Sh.Darshan Singh, R/o Vill.Sadhir, Tehsil Gidderbaha District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Gidderbaha, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib

Respondents

Appeal Case No.837/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
16.07.2018	Nil	22.08.2019	Nil	25.02.2019

<u>ORDER</u>

Due to technical glitch the video conferencing could not mature.

The matter shall be reheard on 07.08.2019 at 11.30AM through video conference

at Sri Muktsar Sahib.

29.05.2019

