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Er. Nitin Kumar Tayal S/o Late Dr. S.P. Tayal,  
R/o # 179 –B,  
Model Town Extension,  
District- Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Tehsildar,  
Ludhiana West,  
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Addl. Chief Secretary,  
Revenue & Rehabilitation Deptt. ,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat- I,  
Chandigarh.

PIO/Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

..... Respondents.

**Appeal Case No. 3989 of 2019**  
(Through Video Conference)

Present:- Shri Nitin Kumar Tayal, appellant.  
Shri Amandeep, Junior Assistant on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2020 vide which one copy of RTI application was sent to Tehsildar, Ludhiana (West) for taking further necessary action.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him after the previous date of hearing.

3. The representative of respondent-PIO /Tehsildar, Ludhiana (West) states that entry was made in Rozanamacha bearing No.1128 dated 21.4.2011 after preparing Rapat. He further states that some more time be given to locate the letter/documents on the basis of which Rapat was prepared and entered in Rozanamacha Register.

4. After hearing both the parties and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that Patwari is locating the letter on the basis of which he has prepared Rapat. Last opportunity is afforded to the respondents to locate and supply a copy of the letter on the basis of which Rapat has been prepared before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 11.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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(Suresh Arora),  
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Sh. Vikram Singh,  
# 983-E, Benipal Colony,  
Machhiwara,  
Distt: Ludhiana-141115

.....Appellant  
Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Tehsildar, Samrala,  
Distt: Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority  
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Samrala, District- Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3082 of 2019**  
(Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- Shri Vikram Singh, appellant.  
Shri Amanpreet Singh, Reader to Tehsildar, Samrala on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to give in writing that death certificate, power of attorney and will are not available in their office.

2. The appellant states that in compliance to the previous order dated 15.01.2020, the respondents have given in writing that no information except which has been supplied to him is available in their record. The appellant states that the respondents may be directed to provide me in writing that specific documents are not available in their record.

3. In compliance to the previous order dated 13.12.2019, show cause notice for imposition of penalty and award of compensation was issued to Shri Navdeep Singh, Tehsildar-cum-PIO, Samrala for his absence and for not supplying the information. The representative of the respondents states that he was appearing on each and every date of hearing. Documents sought by the appellant were not traceable. After considerable search, the documents were traced and the information was supplied to the appellant. He further states that on 13.12.2019, the respondent-PIO was busy in attending another case in the Civil Court so he was absent on that date. He requests that show cause notice issued to the respondent-PIO may be dropped.

5. After hearing the representative of the respondents, show cause notice issued to the respondent-PIO is dropped with the direction to be careful in future while dealing with the applications under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. They are further directed to give in writing specifically that death certificate, will and power of attorney are not available in their record before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 11.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated : 31.01.2020

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Sh. Bhupinder Punj  
r/o 186, Village Lohara,  
District Ludhiana (M.No.9915235055).

.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

FAA-State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3772 of 2019**

(video conference proceedings)

Present:- Shri Bhupinder Punj at Chandigarh.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 in which it is mentioned that both the parties remained absent on 16.01.2020 and the case was adjourned to 31.01.2020.

2. The Commission has been informed through e-mail stating that the case may be adjourned as Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot is on medical leave.

3. In view of the request of the respondents, the present case is adjourned to be heard through Video Conference Facility on 24.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Smt Karamjit Kaur W/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh

R/o Village –Bhagta Bhai Ka,

Tehsil –Phul District –Bathinda.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,

Block - Bhagta Bhai Ka, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,

Bathinda.

Public Information Officer

o/o Executive Officer,

Nagar Panchayat, Bhaika, District Bhatinda.

..... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4324 of 2019**  
**(Video Conference Proceedings)**

Present:-

Shri Gurjit Singh on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Gurdeep Singh, Clerk o/o Nagar Panchayat, Bhagtan Bhai Ke on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 vide which the PIO was directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant failing which punitive action under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated on the next date of hearing against them.

2. The appellant states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

3. The representative of the respondents states that they have written to the appellant to deposit Rs.20,000/- and get the information but till date no fees under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 has been deposited by the appellant and the respondents have not supplied the information. On this, the appellant requests that he may be allowed to visit their office for inspection of record.

4. On the request of the appellant, the respondents are directed to get the record inspected on 4.2.2020 at 11.00 A.M. from the appellant and supply the information after charging @ Rs.2/- per page on the spot.

5. To come up on 24.2.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Bhatinda.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Sh. Beant Singh,  
S/o Sh. Baldev Singh,  
VPO: Khan, Banbhora  
Tehsil: Malerkotla,  
Distt: Sangrur.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
Naib Tehsildar,  
Amargarh, Distt: Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,  
Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Malerkotla district Sangrur..

PIO/Deputy Commissioner,  
Mini Secretariat, Sangrur.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case .No. 2907 of 2019**

Present:- Shri Beant Singh, appellant.  
Shri Badan Din, Tehsildar, Malerkotla on behalf of the respondents.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2020 vide which the respondent-PIO was directed to supply the information regarding Intqal No.4408 after taking assistance of PIO-cum-Tehsildar, Malerkotla under Section 5(4) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 as early as possible otherwise give in writing that the information sought by the appellant is not available in their record.

2. The appellant states that no information has been supplied to him till date concerning Intqal No.4408.

3. In compliance to the previous order dated 15.01.2020, Shri Badal Din, Tehsildar, Malerkotla appeared through Video Conference Facility and gives in writing vide their letter dated 27.01.2020 to the appellant that Intqal No.4408 has not been entered in their record and they have initiated the proceeding for preparing duplicate intqal. After duplicate intqal is prepared a copy of that will be handed over to the appellant.

4. Shri Badal Din, Tehsildar, Malerkotla has given in writing that this intqal No.4408 has not been entered in their record. Accordingly nothing more can be done under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly, the case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 31.01.2020

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Sh. Damodar Sharma S/o Sh. Jagdish Rai,  
R/o Vill. –Chuhri Wala Dhanna,  
Tehsil & District –Fazilka.

.....Appellant  
Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,  
Block – Khuiya Server, Abohar,  
District- Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,  
District- Fazilka.

Shri D.P. Pandey,  
PIO/Tehsildar,  
Fazilika (M.No.94635-87400).

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 4331 of 2019** **(Video Conference Proceedings)**

Present:- Shri Damodar Sharma, appellant.  
Shri Rakesh Kumar, Clerk, on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to transfer application for seeking information under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to PIO o/o Tehsildar, Fazilika for supplying the information concerning points at Sr. No.1 to 5 and the respondents were directed to supply information concerning point at Sr. No.6.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided to him till date.

3. The representative of the respondents states that information sought by the appellant concerning point at Sr. No.6 is not available in their record.

4. None is present on behalf of PIO/Tehsildar, Fazilika.

5. Shri D.P. Pandey, Tehsildar, Fazilika (M.No.94635 87400) is impleaded as a necessary party with the direction to supply information to the appellant was transferred to him under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 by BDPO, Khuhian Sarvar at Abohar vide their letter dated 176 dated 17.01.2020 before the next date of hearing

6. To come up on 24.2.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilika.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Sh. Bhupinder Punj  
r/o 186, Village Lohara,  
District Ludhiana (M.No.9915235055).

.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

FAA-State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3757 of 2019**

(video conference proceedings)

Present:- Shri Bhupinder Punj at Chandigarh.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

(video conference proceedings)

Present:- Shri Bhupinder Punj at Chandigarh.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 in which it is mentioned that both the parties remained absent on 16.01.2020 and the case was adjourned to 31.01.2020.

2. The Commission has been informed through e-mail stating that the case may be adjourned as Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot is on medical leave.

3. In view of the request of the respondents, the present case is adjourned to be heard through Video Conference Facility on 24.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Sh. Bhupinder Punj  
r/o 186, Village Lohara,  
District Ludhiana (M.No.9915235055).

.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot.

FAA-State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3765 of 2019**

(video conference proceedings)

Present:- Shri Bhupinder Punj at Chandigarh.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 in which it is mentioned that both the parties remained absent on 16.01.2020 and the case was adjourned to 31.01.2020.

2. The Commission has been informed through e-mail stating that the case may be adjourned as Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot is on medical leave.

3. In view of the request of the respondents, the present case is adjourned to be heard through Video Conference Facility on 24.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Shri Kulwinder Singh  
s/o Shri Bhag Singh  
r/o Village Patti Sadik,  
Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilika.

.....Appellant.

Vs.

Public Information Officer  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Abohar district Fazilika.

FAA-District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Fazilika.

.....Respondents.

## **Appeal Case No.2917 of 2019 and Appeal Case No.4283 of 2019**

(Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.  
Shri Raja Singh, Samiti Patwari on behalf of the respondents.

Order

On the previous date of hearing, the appellant was advised to inspect the record of the respondents on 20.01.2020 at 11.00 A.M. and get copies of the documents, which he requires, on the spot.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The representative of the respondents states that the appellant has not inspected the record on the fixed date.

4. Last opportunity is afforded to the appellant to visit the office of the respondents and get the record inspected and the respondents are directed to supply the photocopies of the documents identified by him on the spot.

5. To come up on 11.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilika.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Sh. Ashok Kapoor,  
R/o 8-C, Kitchlu Nagar,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

**Vs**

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Tehsildar(West),  
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Sub-Divisional Magistrate(West),  
Mini Secretariat, Ferozepur Road,  
Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 4303 of 2019** **(Video Conference Proceedings)**

Present:- Shri Ashok Kapoor, appellant.  
Shri Amarpreet Singh. Reader to Tehsildar, Ludhiana (West) on behalf of the respondents.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to send present status of the case after collecting from the office of SDM, Ludhiana (West) before the next date of hearing.

2. The appellant states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondents till date.

3. The representative of the respondents states that complete information regarding status of his complaint is handed over to the appellant during the hearing.

4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that the respondents have supplied the present status of his complaint to the appellant vide their letter dated 21.1.2020 as sought by him and nothing more can be done under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly, the present case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 31.01.2020.

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Sh. Sardool Singh S/o Sh. Sukhchain Singh,

R/o Vill. -Ghumara, (98150-41837)

Tehsil –Malout, 151211

District –Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Panchayat Secretary, Ghumara,

C/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,

Block –Lambi, Tehsil -Malout,

District- Sri Muktsar Sahib.

PIO/Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

Lambi, District Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

PIO/Water Supply and Sanitation Department, Punjab,

Malout, District Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

.....Respondents

## **Complaint Case .No. 995 of 2019** **(Video Conference Proceedings)**

Present:- None on behalf of the complainant.

None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.01.2020 vide which the absence of Block Development and Panchayats Officer and Panchayats Secretary were viewed seriously.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. None on behalf of the respondents.

4. Last opportunity is afforded to the respondents to appear on 24.02.2020 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh with the direction to supply complete information to the complainant, if any information is not available in their record, the respondents are directed to give in writing that no information is available except which has already been supplied to him within 10 days and complainant is advised to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies in the information supplied to him before the next date of hearing.

5. The case is adjourned to 24.02.2020 at 11.00 A.M. with the direction to the parties to appear with original record regarding receipt/supply of information.

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Dated: 31.01.2020.

(Suresh Arora),

Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Shri Sarabjeet Singh Gill,  
#60-35-P-376-1,  
Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar,  
P.O. Dhandari Kalan,  
District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
Tehsildar (Central),  
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
Tehsildar (Central),  
Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 2580 of 2019**  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Shri Surjit Singh on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.01.2020 in which it is mentioned that on receipt of deficiencies from the appellant, the respondents are directed to remove the same before the next date of hearing.

2. The representative of the appellant states the appellant has sent deficiencies in the information provided to him to the Commission vide his letter dated 25.01.2020.

3. The respondents are absent without intimation.

4. After hearing the representative of the appellant and going through the record available on the case file, it is revealed that no information has been received by the appellant., after the previous date of hearing, A copy of the deficiencies dated 25.01.2020, received from the appellant, be sent with this order to the respondents with the direction to remove the same as per his RTI application under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 before the next date of hearing. Both the parties are directed to appear before the Commission on 11.02.2020 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh with original record concerning information received/supplied for the perusal of the Commission.

Dated : 31.01.2020

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Sh. Jasveer Singh,  
S/o Sh. Joginder Singh,  
Village- Megha Panj Garai, Hithar,  
Block Guruharsahi,  
District- Ferozepur.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
BDPO, Ferozepur.

.....Respondent

## **Complaint Case No. 671 of 2019** **(Video Conference ProceedingsP**

Present:- Shri Jasveer Singh complainant.  
None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

### **ORDER**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.01.2020 vide which the respondents were directed to remove the deficiencies received in the Commission on 09.01.21020.

2. The appellant again sent deficiencies on 10.01.2020 through e-mail after receipt of information consisting of 128 pages, a copy of which has been sent to Shri Chanda Singh, Panchayats Secretary on his Whatsapp No.981146-32020 and he has been intimated regarding next date of hearing. Shri Chanda Singh, Panchayats Secretary is absent but he has sent a letter received in the Commission on 29.01.2020 stating that one adjournment may be allowed due to marriage of his niece/nephew.

3. The respondent-PIO is directed to remove the deficiencies sent again by the appellant before the next date of hearing as per his application for seeking information under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 within ten days and the appellant is advised to go through the same again and send deficiencies in the information before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 06.02.2020 at 3.00 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur.

Dated : 31.01.2020

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Sh. Kewal Singh  
s/o Shri Gurcharan Singh,  
Village Kot Khurd, .  
PO Binaheri, Tehsil Nabha,  
District Patiala.

.....Appellant  
Vs

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Nabha.

FAA-District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Patiala. ....Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 2628 of 2019

Present:- Shri Kewal Singh, appellant.  
Shri Amrik Singh, APO alongwith Shri Tirath Singh, GRS on behalf of the  
respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.01.2020 vide which the respondents stated that complete information has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been left, which could be supplied to the appellant, as per his RTI application under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. In view of disagreement of both the parties regarding receipt/supply of the information, both the parties were directed to appear before the Commission with original record for the perusal of the Commission.

2. Point-wise information was discussed with both the parties. After discussion, it is found that there was confusion of some documents, supplied to the appellant. The confusion of the appellant was cleared by the respondents to his satisfaction. The respondents state regarding penalty imposed on them that they are not PIOs in this case and no intimation regarding appearance was even given by the Panchayats Secretary. They further state that both they are contractual employee and they are low paid employees.

2. After hearing the respondents regarding imposition of penalty, order dated 10.12.2019 regarding imposition of penalty on them is reconsidered. It is found that penalty was

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wrongly imposed on them because they are not PIOs in this case and complete information was already handed over to the appellant. Hence, the penalty imposed on Shri Amrik Singh, APO and Shri Tirath Singh, GRS is withdrawn with the advice to be careful in future while dealing with the applications for seeking information under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. Complete information has been supplied to the appellant and nothing has been left, which could be supplied to the appellant, under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005, the present case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 31.01.2020

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