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Sh. Amarpreet Singh  
# 3542/2 Dr.Hira Singh Road,  
Civil Lines Ludhiana  
9888880200

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

Public Information Officer  
o/o Tehsildar East,  
Ludhiana,

.. Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4075 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant  
Ms Rajni9814991022 o/o Tehsildar East, Ludhiana on behalf of the  
respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 2.6.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. Also, the representative of the respondents submits that the appellant sought the information from the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana but the said office has already transferred the RTI application of the appellant under Section 6(3) to the office of the Tehsildar East, Ludhiana. She further requested for the adjournment of the case to file the written submissions/supply of information.

4. Accordingly, the request of the respondent is accepted and the case is adjourned.

5. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4076 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant  
Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 31.5.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.
3. The representative of the respondents submits that the response has already been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, the appellant is absent, a last opportunity is granted to him to file the rejoinder, if any, to the response already sent by the respondent. A copy of which is **being sent** along with this order.
4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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.. appellant

Vs

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o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4074 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant  
Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 30.5.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.
3. The representative of the respondents submits that the response has already been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, the appellant is absent, a last opportunity is granted to him to file the rejoinder, if any, to the response already sent by the respondent. A copy of which is **being sent** along with this order.
4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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9888880200

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4073 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant  
Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 2.6.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The representative of the respondents submits that the response has already been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, the appellant is absent, a last opportunity is granted to him to file the rejoinder, if any, to the response already sent by the respondent. A copy of which is **being sent** along with this order.

4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4072 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 6.6.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.
3. The representative of the respondents submits that the response has already been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, the appellant is absent, a last opportunity is granted to him to file the rejoinder, if any, to the response already sent by the respondent. A copy of which is **being sent** along with this order.
4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4071 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant  
Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 2.6.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 7.7.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The representative of the respondents submits that the response has already been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, the appellant is absent, a last opportunity is granted to him to file the rejoinder, if any, to the response already sent by the respondent. A copy of which is **being sent** along with this order.

4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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Sh. Baljinder Singh, Advocate,  
r/o VilageSihal, Tehsil Dirba  
Sangrur

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Dirba, Sangrur

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
dirba, Sangrur

.. Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1365 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 11.12.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. Due to strike in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, the case could not be heard. However, the response has been received from the respondent, which is taken on record. A copy of the same is **being sent** to the appellant along with this order to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 3.30 PM at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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Sh. Avtar Singh,  
Ward No. 6, Raikot Road,  
Near Sanjeewani Medical Store,  
MandiMullanpur  
Ludhiana

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/oBlock Primary Education Officer,  
Sidhhwabet-2,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o District Education Officer,(P)  
Ludhiana

..Respondents

Complaint Case No.143 of 2022  
(Converted into appeal case)

Present:- Sh. Avtar Singh, appellant.  
Ms InduSood 8146100915 Block Primary Education Officer, on behalf of  
the respondents.

### ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 23.8.2021 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 17.3.2022 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today. The appellant brought to the notice of the Commission that he has also filed the first appeal in this case before the First Appellate Authority i.e. District Education officer (P), Ludhiana. He further submits that the First Appellate Authority has not decided the first appeal but the directions were issued to the Block Primary Education Officer to supply the information. He has also placed on record the first appeal filed before the First Appellate Authority which is taken on record. After the perusal of the same, the complaint case filed by the complainant is converted into the appeal case.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the complete information. However, the representative of

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the respondents submits that the appellant is seeking 3<sup>rd</sup> party information. Also, the response filed by the respondent is available in the case file

3. After hearing both the parties, the directions are issued to the respondent to reconsider the RTI application of the appellant and file the reply afresh before the next date of hearing.

4. Also, the appellant is directed to establish the larger public interest involved in seeking the 3<sup>rd</sup> party information.

4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 3.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated:4.10.2022

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Sh. Puneet Singh 6283270078

s/o Sh. Anil Pathania

r/o Village Lahri 183, PO Rattangarh

Tehsil & Distt. Pathankot

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Director,

Rural Development & Panchayats Punjab,

Vikas Bhawan, Phase 8

Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

o/o Financial Commissioner,

Rural Development & Panchayats Punjab,

Vikas Bhawan, Phase 8

Mohali.

.. Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5266 of 2021

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.5.2022 vide which the case was adjourned for 22.8.2022. The case was earlier heard by the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

2. The response has already been received from the respondent in which it is mentioned that the appellant has filed another Appeal Case No. 5261 of 2021, which is listed for hearing before the bench of Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, State Information Commissioner and the matter sought is similar in nature.

3. Keeping in view the above, the case file is being sent to the Registry Branch for transfer this case to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, State Information Commissioner.

Dated: 4.10.2022

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D.R. (along with the case file)

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Sh. Sourav Sharma, Advocate  
District Courts Complex,  
Pathankot

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram panchayat najochak  
Block Gharota, Pathankot

First Appellate Authority  
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Pathankot

Smt. Neeru Bala 9417690058  
Public Information Officer  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer  
Gharota, Pathankot.

.. Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1361 of 2022  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents

### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 18.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 3.1.22 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 22.8.2022. The case was earlier allocated to the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

2. The representative of the respondents submits that the information related to Point No. 3 (b) has already been supplied to the appellant. Regarding information related to point No. 3(a) and 3(c) of the RTI application, the representative of the respondents submits that the same has to be supplied by the AE/JE who is working under the Block Development and Panchayats Officer. Since, the appellant has sought the information from the Block Development and Panchayats Officer and she has transferred the RTI application of the appellant to the Panchayat Secretary whereas the information has to be supplied by her office.

3. Video Conference Facility was introduced for the convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by

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Appeal Case No. 1361 of 2022

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the respondent casually, Smt. NeeruBala 9417690058, Block Development and Panchayats Officer -cum- Public Information Officer, is, thus, 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 a maximum of Rs.25000/- 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 to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer 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 a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

4. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.

Dated: 4.10.2022

(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

CC

Sh. Yudhvir Singh, 9464783811

For compliance of this order.

District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Pathankot