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Sh. Dharam Pal s/o Sh. Surta Singh 9501421225  
VPO Bhagwan Pura, Tehsil Samrala,  
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 783 of 2016

ORDER

Due to administrative reasons, the case is adjourned and the parties have been informed accordingly.

2. To come up on 9.10.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana/Cisco Webex.

Dated: 7.10.2020

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Shri Jagshir Singh S/o Sh. Gain Singh, 81958-00345  
R/o H. No. 9/20,  
Mandi Mullanpur,  
Ludhiana.

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Block- Sidhwa Bet,  
District -Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Mini Secretariat,  
Ludhiana.

Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 1723/2020

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Jagshir Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Parminder Singh, SEPO 9501200440 along with the concerned Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.8.2020.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the information comprising 398 pages have been supplied and sent a letter in this regard to the Commission, which is taken on record. Whereas, the appellant states that the incomplete information has been supplied by the respondents and also sent the submissions in this regard, which are taken on record. The appellant states regarding Point No. 3 & 5 that he has received the complete information. However, the representative of the respondents states that the information regarding Point No. 4,6,8 and 9 of the RTI application is not available in the office. Regarding Point No. 1, 2, 7 & 10 of the RTI application the representative of the respondents states that the appellant may inspect the record and whatever information concerning the Point No. 1,2,7 & 10 of the RTI application of the appellant is available on record, the same will be supplied to him with which the appellant agreed to. With the mutual understanding the date of inspection has been fixed as 9.10.2020 at 11.00 in the office of the Panchayat Secretary.

3. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to make available the record as has been mentioned in para 2 above on the fixed date and time for the inspection of the appellant and supply the documents if so identified by the appellant. Also the appellant is advised to inspect the record as enumerated above on the fixed date and time and get the copy of documents, if so identified.

4. To come up on 26.10.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana/Cisco Webex.

Dated: 7.10.2020

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Shri Ravinder Singh S/o Sh. Karam Singh, 95011-07000

R/o H. No. 169,

Moti bagh colony,

Village - Phulawal, District - Ludhiana.

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

o/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Ludhiana-1, PAU Campus,

District -Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Addl. Deputy Commissioner,

Mini Secretariat,

Ludhiana.

Sh. Harbhajan Singh, Panchayat Secretary

Sh. Hardip Singh Grewal, V.D.O

Sh. Kiranpal Singh, Panchayat Secretary,

c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

Ludhiana-1, PAU campus,

Ludhiana.

..Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 1753/2020**

**(Cisco Webex Proceedings)**

Present:- Sh. Ravinder Singh, appellant.

Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Supdt on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.8.2020 vide which due to administrative reasons the case was adjourned for today i.e. 7.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided by the respondents so far. The representative of the respondents sent the letters written to the concerned Panchayat Secretary-cum-Public Information Officer for providing the information, which are taken on record. The respondent-PIOs is absent without intimation. Video Conference Facility/cisco webex facility was introduced for the convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application and absence of the respondents seriously, Sh. Kiranpal Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Harbhajan Singh, Panchayat Secretary and Sh. Hardip Singh Grewal, V.D.O are 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 them for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI application and to issue show cause for compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act,2005.

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**Appeal Case No. 1753/2020**

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In addition to the written reply, the PIOs are 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. They may take a note that in case they do not file their written reply and do not avail themselves of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that they have nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

3. It also appears that the Public Information Officer o/o the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Ludhiana-1 is merely working as a post office as the letters were issued by the office on 3.1.2020, 18.3.2020 and 15.9.2020 to the concerned Panchayat Secretaries regarding transfer of the RTI application under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer o/o the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Ludhiana-1 is directed to look into the matter and supply the complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 13.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Dated: 7.10.2020

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P.O. Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

..Appellant

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

First Appellant Authority,  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1816 of 2020

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Ranjit Singh, NSK 7696681960 on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.8.2020 vide which the case was adjourned due to absence of both the parties and the case was adjourned to 7.10.2020.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. However, a letter has been received from the respondent-Public Information Officer vide No. 3913-14, which is taken on record.

3. Since, the appellant is absent one opportunity is granted to him to revert back in case of any submissions to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission before the next date of hearing failing which the ex-parte decision will be taken on the next date of hearing.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh Sekhon,  
s/o Late Shri Kartar Singh  
Village Tandi, P.O. Laroya,  
District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant  
Vs

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat  
Tandi, Block Bhogpur,  
District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Bhogpur, District Jalandhar.

.....Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 4008 of 2019

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.8.2020.

2. The appellant has made a request received through email in which it has mentioned that due to a road accident of his elder son the case may adjourned after 18.10.2020, which is taken on record. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer has been informed about the absence of the appellant regarding not to appear in this case.
3. After going through the case file, the directions are issued to both the parties to remain present at Chandigarh on the next date hearing along with the original record concerning the RTI application/information as received from the respondents to take the matter to its logical end.
4. To come up on 26.10.2020 at 12.00 noon at Chandigarh.

Dated: 7.10.2020

Sd/-  
(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.