

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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LPA-3468-2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision :12.01.2026

Aditi Garg

...Appellant

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI**

Present: Appellant in person (joined through V.C.)

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

1. In the present appeal, the challenge is to the order dated 16.09.2025 passed by the learned Single Judge of this Court in CWP-352-2022 by which, the said writ petition filed by the petitioner i.e. appellant herein seeking certain information under Right to Information Act, 2005, has been dismissed.

2. The appellant, who appears in person (through virtual mode) submits that the information sought by her, should have been supplied to her but on frivolous grounds, it has been informed to her that the information sought does not exist anymore with the department concerned, which assertion has been accepted by the learned Single Judge of this Court while passing the impugned order dated 16.09.2025 and hence, a direction needs to be given by this Court to the authorities concerned that the information sought by the appellant be supplied to her in a time bound manner.

2. The appellant, who appears in person argues that the learned Single Judge of this Court should have remanded back the matter to the



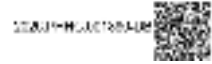
State Information Commission, Punjab as the order passed by the State Information Commission, Punjab qua the denial of the information sought by the appellant, was totally cryptic and non-speaking whereas, an order has been passed by the learned Single Judge of this Court declining the claim of the appellant.

3. We have heard the appellant, who appears in person (through Virtual mode) and have gone through the record with her able assistance.

4. It may be noticed that the learned Single Judge of this Court has mentioned in the impugned order dated 16.09.2025 that the appellant had filed an application on 01.04.2019 seeking certain information relating to the period from 14.01.2017 to 15.01.2017. The said information could not be supplied to the appellant as the data/information sought existed with the HCL company, which was operating public Helpline-100 on behalf of the Ludhiana police for the period in question and the said information which was stored on the server of the HCL Company was erased after the contract between the Ludhiana police and HCL company came to an end on 14.04.2017.

5. Once, the information is not available with the Ludhiana police, from where the said information can be supplied to the appellant, the State Information, Commission, Punjab as well as the learned Single Judge of this Court have rightly held that no direction can be given to supply said information on the grievance raised by the appellant.

6. Further, under the Right to Information Act, 2005, only the information which is available or can be collected by the department, can be supplied but once, the private company HCL has not responded to the request of the Ludhiana police with regard to the information stored on their



server, the same could not have been supplied to the appellant herein.

7. Furthermore, no evidence has been brought to the notice of this Court to show that the information sought was available with the authority concerned but still the same is not being supplied to the appellant.

8. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances recorded herein before, no ground for interference by this Court is made out and the present appeal is accordingly dismissed.

9. Civil miscellaneous application pending, if any, is also disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

January 12, 2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No