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BEFORE THE HON'BLE UTTAR PRADESH STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

Lucknow**Case No.:** A-20250401292**Appellant:** Yogi M.P. Singh**Versus****Public Information Officer (PIO):** Office of the District Magistrate / Tehsildar Sadar, Mirzapur**Date of Hearing:** 10 March 2026

WRITTEN SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF THE APPELLANT

The Appellant most respectfully submits the following written arguments for consideration of the Hon'ble Commission:

1. Non-Compliance by the PIO and Inordinate Delay

The RTI application sought specific information relating to the **verification and rejection process of a PM-KISAN application**. However, the concerned **Public Information Officer (Tehsildar Sadar)** failed to provide the requested information within the statutory time period prescribed under **Section 7(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005**.

The response was delayed for **approximately 11 months**, which clearly amounts to **gross violation of the RTI Act**.

Such prolonged delay without reasonable cause attracts **penalty proceedings under Section 20(1)** of the RTI Act.

2. Reply Submitted by an Incompetent Authority

Instead of providing information from the **custodian authority (Revenue Department / Tehsil Sadar)**, a report dated **24.12.2025** was submitted by the **Deputy Director of Agriculture (DDA), Mirzapur**.

However, the DDA is **not the statutory custodian** of the following records requested in the RTI application:

- Tehsil verification logs
- Staff joining records
- Duty roster of verification officials
- PM-KISAN land record verification registers

These records are maintained by the **Tehsil administration under the Revenue Department**.

Therefore, the response submitted by the Agriculture Department constitutes **secondary information instead of primary official records**, which defeats the very purpose of the RTI Act.

3. Evasive and Incomplete Disclosure

The reply submitted by the department failed to provide the **specific names, designations, and joining dates of officials responsible for the rejection of the PM-KISAN application.**

Instead, only a **generic reference to the Tehsildar** was provided, without identifying the actual officer responsible for the verification decision.

Furthermore, the department failed to provide:

- The **system-generated digital audit trail** of the rejection process
- The **field inquiry report (स्थलीय आख्या)** of the Area Lekhpal
- The **duty roster of staff assigned for PM-KISAN verification**

This clearly indicates **incomplete and evasive disclosure of information.**

4. Contradiction Regarding "Certified Khatauni"

The department claimed that the application was rejected because the **Khatauni was not "certified."**

However, the **Government Order No. 83/2022/776** cited by the department does not mandate submission of a **certified Khatauni for online self-registration.**

Such interpretation creates an **artificial procedural barrier**, contrary to the policy of **digital governance and paperless service delivery.**

5. Malafide Intent and Attempt to Avoid Accountability

The so-called **modified report dated 24.12.2025** was produced only **a few days before the hearing**, despite the Commission's earlier directions.

This conduct strongly suggests a **deliberate attempt to avoid penalty proceedings and shift responsibility to another department.**

Such actions constitute willful obstruction of information and a **violation of the RTI Act.**

PRAYER

In view of the above facts and circumstances, the Appellant most respectfully prays that this Hon'ble Commission may kindly:

1. **Reject the report dated 24.12.2025** submitted by the Agriculture Department as it originates from an **incompetent authority with respect to Revenue records.**
 2. **Direct the PIO (Tehsildar Sadar, Mirzapur)** to provide the **complete primary records** requested in the RTI application.
 3. **Initiate penalty proceedings under Section 20(1)** of the RTI Act and impose the **maximum penalty of ₹25,000** for the unjustified delay and obstruction of information.
 4. Please direct the relevant authority to produce the original verification register, digital audit logs, and the **field inquiry report** before the Commission.
 5. Consider **disciplinary action under Section 20(2)** for providing misleading and incomplete information.
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Date: 10 March 2026

Place: Mirzapur / Lucknow

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BEFORE THE HON'BLE UTTAR PRADESH STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, LUCKNOW

Case No: A-20250401292**Appellant:** Yogi M.P. Singh vs. PIO, Office of District Magistrate/Tehsildar Sadar, Mirzapur**Hearing Date:** 30/12/2025 (Room S-9)

OBJECTION AGAINST THE MODIFIED REPORT (संशोधित आख्या) DATED 24.12.2025

Respected Madam Commissioner,

The Appellant most respectfully submits this formal objection to the letter (Letter No. 5235/PM-Kisan/2025-26) issued by the Deputy Director of Agriculture (DDA), Mirzapur, on the following grounds:

1. Jurisdictional Fraud & Red-Herring Tactic

The information sought in the original RTI application (DMOMR/R/2025/60003) pertains strictly to the **Revenue Department (Tehsil Sadar)**. By allowing the **Agriculture Department** to respond, the District Magistrate's office is shielding the actual custodians of information—the **Tehsildar Sadar** and **SDM Sadar**.

- **Legal Point:** The DDA is not the custodian of Tehsil logs, staff joining dates, or verification records. This is a deliberate attempt to mislead the Commission by providing "secondary" information instead of "primary" records.

2. Procedural Contradiction Regarding "Certified" Records

In the DDA's response to **Point No. 3**, it is stated that the application was rejected for not being a "Certified Khatauni."

- **The Objection:** The Government Order (GO) cited by the department (83/2022/776) does not mandate the word "**Certified**" (प्रमाणित) for online self-registration.
- **The Conflict:** On one hand, the government promotes **Digital/Paperless Governance** (as per SC Mandate WP(C) 360/2021), but on the other, it demands a physical "certified" scan. This is a contradictory barrier created solely to harass the farmer.

3. False Compliance & Malafide Delay

The PIO (Tehsildar) failed to respond for **358 days**. This "Modified Report" was only generated on 24.12.2025—just 6 days before the final hearing—to escape penalty proceedings.

- **Contempt of Order:** The Commission's order dated 03.07.2025 was willfully ignored for nearly six months. This constitutes contempt of the Commission's quasi-judicial authority.

4. Incomplete & Evasive Information

- **Point 4 & 5:** The department failed to provide the **specific names and joining dates** of the staff involved in the rejection, providing only the Tehsildar's name as a generic shield. They also failed to provide copies of the **internal guidelines** issued by the SDM for online processing.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

In view of the above, the Appellant humbly prays that this Hon'ble Commission may:

1. **Reject the Report dated 24.12.2025** as it originates from an incompetent authority (Agriculture Dept) for Revenue records.
2. **Impose the Maximum Penalty of ₹25,000** on the PIO (Tehsildar Sadar) under **Section 20(1)** for the 11-month delay and willful obstruction.
3. **Direct the PIO (Tehsildar Sadar)** to personally appear in the next hearing with the original verification register.
4. **Recommend Disciplinary Action** under **Section 20(2)** for providing misleading information and shifting accountability to another department.

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To, The Public Information Officer (PIO), Office of the Tehsildar, Sadar, District: Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh.

Subject: Notice to produce specific digital logs and field reports in Case No. **A-20250401292** (Yogi M.P. Singh vs. PIO).

Sir, In reference to the ongoing appeal before the Hon'ble State Information Commission (Room S-9), you are hereby notified to produce the following primary records during the upcoming hearing:

1. **The Digital Audit Trail:** The system-generated log showing the **User ID, IP Address, and Name of the Official** who executed the rejection of the PM-KISAN application for Shri Keshav Pratap Singh (Aadhar: 822435097042).
2. **The Inquiry Report (स्थलीय आख्या):** The original physical or digital report submitted by the **Area Lekhpal** that justified the "Authenticate land record" remark.
3. **The Duty Roster:** The office order identifying the staff members assigned to the **PM-KISAN verification desk** for the period of July 2024 to October 2024.

Take Note: Failure to produce these documents will be presented before the Hon'ble Commission as evidence of **willful suppression of information** and **malafide intent** to protect subordinate staff from accountability under Section 20 of the RTI Act.

Date: 30/12/2025 **From:** Yogi M.P. Singh (Appellant)

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