

OFFICE OF THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY
DELHI RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2001

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION
Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi

Date of hearing: 15th March, 2018

Appellant : **Sh. Zaheer Abbas**

Competent Authority : **Deputy Commissioner (Civil Lines Zone),**
North DMC,
16, Rajpur Road,
Delhi – 110054

Appeal No. : 350/2017/PGC/DRI/NDMC
Application filed on : 06/ 7/ 2017
Response of Competent Authority : No response
Appeal filed on : 25/08/2017
First hearing in PGC, Scheduled : 15/03/2018

1. Brief facts of the Appeal

Sh. Zaheer Abbas filed Form-A during July, 2017, under the Delhi RTI Act, 2001, with the Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (Civil Lines Zone), North DMC, seeking information on total 21 counts.

Sh. Zaheer Abbas received no response from the Office of Director (Primary Education), North DMC. Hence, he filed an Appeal during August, 2017, before the Appellate Authority / PGC, under Section 7 of the Delhi Right to Information Act, 2001.

2. Proceedings in the Public Grievances Commission

The PGC convened its first hearing on 15th March, 2018, and the following were present :

Appellant : Absent

Respondent : Sh. Neeraj Gupa, AE (B-II), Civil Lines Zone, North DMC

3. Relevant facts emerging during the hearing

3.1 During the hearing on 15/03/2018, appellant was not present. Sh. Neeraj Gupta, AE (B-II), Civil Lines Zone, North DMC stated that a reply had already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 05/09/2017. He submitted a copy of the same before the Appellate Authority / Member (PGC).

3.2 On perusal of information furnished, it has been revealed that the department had informed that the applicant has not mentioned the complete address of the property "La Mourya Banquet" and as per record, there is no information available with this office regarding "La Mourya Banquet". Appellate Authority is of the opinion that it is not really an appropriate reply as the appellant in his application clearly mention the address of the property as "under-construction building of "La Maurya Banquet" Rajasthani Udyog Nagar, Nr. Jahangirpuri Metro Station , G.T. Karnal Road, Delhi.

3.3. The appellant is advised to contact the office of Deputy Commissioner (Civil Line Zone) and provide the exact location / address of the property in question to the Competent Authority so that, reply can be furnished by the department.

4. Directions of the Appellate Authority / PGC

4.1 Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (Civil Lines Zone) is directed to depute an office to identify the property in question on the basis of address provided by the appellant in his DRTI application and furnish the information to the appellant within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order, with a copy to the Commission.

4.2 The reply should be furnished to the appellant under the signatures of Competent Authority, properly stamped, having the name of the Competent Authority (documents, if any, appended with the reply should be certified either by the Competent Authority or an official deputed by the Competent Authority).

With the above observations / directions, the present appeal case is ordered to be disposed of before the Appellate Authority / Member (PGC).

(SUDHIR YADAV)
APPELLATE AUTHORITY / MEMBER (PGC)

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1. Deputy Commissioner (Civil Lines Zone), North DMC, 16, Rajpur Road, Delhi – 110054
2. Sh. Zaheer Abbas