

OFFICE OF THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY
DELHI RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2001

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION
Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi

Date of hearing: 9th April, 2018

Appellant : **Shri Kamaljeet Singh**

Competent Authority : **Additional Chief Executive Officer,
Delhi Jal Board,
Room No. 315 B, Varunalaya Phase-II,
Karol Bagh, New Delhi – 110 005.**

Appeal No. : 569/2017/PGC/DRI/DJB
 Application filed on : 19/09/2017
 Response of Competent Authority : Appellant is not satisfied with the response
 Appeal filed on : 02/11/2017
 First hearing in PGC, scheduled on : 09/04/2018

1. Brief facts of the Appeal

Shri Kamaljeet Singh filed Form-A with the Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Executive Officer, DJB during September, 2017 under the Delhi Right to Information Act 2001, making queries on total 12 counts.

Shri Kamaljeet Singh did receive a response from DJB, however, being aggrieved with the same, he filed an appeal in November, 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 has convened its first hearing on 9th April, 2018. At the hearing on 09.04.2018, the attendance was as follows:

Appellant : Present

Respondent : Sh. Sukh Pal Singh, E.E.(NE-II), DJB
 Sh. Bijender Kumar, E.E. (NE-I), DJB
 Sh. P.K. Atray, E.E. (NE-III), DJB
 Sh. I.C. Monga, EE (E-II) DJB
 Sh. Rajesh Kumar Sharma, Z.E. (NE-II), DJB
 Sh. Ghulam Sajjad, Z.E. (E-I), DJB

Sh. C.P. Kapoor, S.O., DJB

3. Relevant facts emerging during the hearing

- 3.1 In the hearing today, the queries of the appellant have been perused and the Appellate Authority is of the view that the information sought by the appellant is voluminous in nature and is seemingly spread over many files.
- 3.2 The Competent Authority is directed to provide an opportunity to the appellant to inspect the files, not later than 15 days of issue of this Order. Officers of the department, who appeared on behalf of the Competent Authority, are directed to ensure that all records should be made available to the appellant on the date and time fixed for inspection.
- 3.3 If the appellant does not turn-up for inspection on the given date and time, then the Competent Authority shall intimate the total number of pages to the appellant (related with the information asked by the appellant) and the amount to be deposited by him, so that the photocopies of the documents can be made available to him.

4. Directions of the Appellate Authority / PGC

- 4.1 **Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Executive Officer, DJB is directed to instruct the EE (E-I), EE (E-II), EE (NE-I), EE (NE-II) and EE (NW-III) to provide all the record available in the office for inspection by the appellant and charge the appellant @ Rs. 15/- for every 15 minutes of file inspection. The photocopy of the documents (duly certified), if required by the appellant shall be provided against the requisite fees i.e. Rs. 5/- per page. A compliance / status report should be sent to the Commission.**
- 4.2 **With the above observations and directions, the present appeal case is ordered to be disposed off before the Appellate Authority / Member (PGC).**

(SUDHIR YADAV)
APPELLATE AUTHORITY/MEMBER, PGC

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- 2 Shri Kamaljeet Singh