

OFFICE OF THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY
DELHI RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2001

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION
Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi

Date of hearing: 4th January, 2018

Appellant : **Shri R. L. Makhija**

Competent Authority : **Engineer-in-Chief,**
 East Delhi Municipal Corporation
 Udyog Sadan, Plot No.419, FIE, Patparganj Industrial
 Area, Delhi – 110 092.

Appeal No. : 176/2017/PGC/DRI/EDMC
 Application filed on : 04.05.2017
 Response of Competent Authority : Aggrieved with the response
 Appeal filed on : 09.06.2017
 First hearing in PGC, Scheduled : 04.01.2018

1. Brief facts of the Appeal

Shri R. L. Makhija filed Form-A during May, 2017, under the Delhi RTI Act, 2001, with the Competent Authority i.e. Engineer-in-Chief, East DMC, seeking information on total 02 counts.

Shri R. L. Makhija did receive a response from the Office of Engineer-in-Chief, East DMC, but he was not satisfied with the same. Hence, he filed an Appeal during June, 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 hearings on 4th January, 2018. At today's hearing on 04.01.2018, the attendance was as follows :

Appellant : Absent

Respondent : Sh. Manmohan, ASO, EEC, EDMC
 Sh. Chander Mohan, AAO, EEC, EDMC

3. Relevant facts emerging during the hearing

- 3.1 At today's hearing on 04.01.2018, representative of the department submitted that a reply had already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 03.12.2018. He submitted a copy of the same before the Appellate Authority (copy placed in the file).
- 3.2 On perusal of the reply, it has been revealed that the appellant had filed the application under DRTI Act with the Competent Authority i.e. Engineer-in-Chief, East Delhi Municipal Corporation and the Hearing Notice from Appellate Authority was also sent to the office of Engineer-in-Chief, East Delhi Municipal Corporation. However, the reply was sent by Deputy Commissioner (Shahdara South), who is not the Competent Authority in this appeal case.

4. Directions of the Appellate Authority / PGC

- 4.1 **The Competent Authority i.e. Engineer-in-Chief, East DMC**, is directed to furnish a comprehensive reply to the queries of the appellant, as per the information available with his office, to the appellant within 15 days from the date of issue of this order with a copy to the PGC.
- 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 / PGC.

**(SUDHIR YADAV)
APPELLATE AUTHORITY / MEMBER (PGC)**

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2. Shri R. L. Makhija