OFFICE OF THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY **DELHI RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2001**

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi

Date of hearing: 18th April, 2018

Shri Suresh Kumar Rathee Appellant

Competent Authority : Additional Registrar (Administration),

Office of Registrar Cooperative Societies,

Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110 001.

Appeal No. 1003/2017/PGC/DRI/RCS

Application filed on 26/02/2018

Response of Competent Not satisfied with the response

Authority

19/03/2018

Appeal filed on First hearing in PGC on 18/04/2018

1. **Brief facts of the Appeal**

Shri Suresh Kumar Rathee filed Form A during February, 2018, with the Competent Authority under Delhi RTI Act, 2001, i.e. Joint Registrar (Administration), Office of Registrar Cooperative Societies, making queries on total 8 counts.

Shri Suresh Kumar Rathee did receive a response from the Office of Joint Registrar (Administration), Office of Registrar Cooperative Societies. However, being aggrieved with the same, he filed an Appeal during March, 2018, 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 18th April, 2018. At today's hearing on 18/04/2018, the attendance was as follows:

Appellant Present

Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Deptt. Of RCS Respondent:

3. Relevant facts emerging during the hearing

- 3.1 At today's hearing on 18/04/2018 representative of the department informed that a reply dated 15/03/2018 had already been sent to the appellant (copy placed in the file). The reply furnished by the department has been perused.
- 3.2 During the hearing, Sh. Ramesh Kumar, who appeared on behalf of the department informed that the Audit Report, mentioned by the appellant in his DRTI application, is not traceable in the office. He however informed that as replied by the department, the appellant may obtain the same directly from the society by filing an application under Section 139 of DCS Act-2003.
- 3.3 The reply furnished by the department does not appear to be an appropriate reply. Since it is the duty of the Competent Authority to furnish the information related with the department to the appellant, it shall be appropriate if the department make available the Audit Report to the appellant after collecting the same from the concerned society.
- 3.4 As regards other remaining points, the information shall be made available to the appellant, in the form it is available with the department. No compilation or tabulation or coalition is required.

4. Directions of the Appellate Authority / PGC

- 4.1 Competent Authority i.e. Additional Registrar (Administration), Office of Registrar Cooperative Societies, is directed to furnish a revised reply to the appellant, as advised in para 3.3 and 3.4 above, 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 directions / observations, the present appeal case is ordered to be disposed off before the Appellate Authority / Member (PGC).

(SUDHIR YADAV)
APPELLATE AUTHORITY / MEMBER (PGC)

Copy to:

- 1. Additional Registrar (Administration), Office of Registrar Co-operative Societies, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Parliament Street, New Delhi.
- 2. Sh. Sanjay Jain, Asstt. Registrar (Sec-VII), Office of Registrar Co-operative Societies, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Parliament Street, New Delhi.
- 3. Shri Suresh Kumar Rathee