

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

[Under Section 7, Delhi Right to Information Act, 2001]

Date of Hearing : 23.04.2018

Date of Decision : 23.04.2018

Applicant : Sh. Kamaljeet Singh

Respondent : Additional Chief Executive Officer,
Delhi Jal Board

Appeal No : 139 & 140/2017

Appeal filed on : 15.06.2017

DRTI Application filed on : 09.05.2017

Competent Authority replied on : No reply

1. Background :

Sh. Kamaljeet Singh, the appellant vide his two applications dated 09.05.2017 under Delhi Right to Information Act, 2001, had sought information from the Additional Chief Executive Officer, DJB / Competent Authority notified under the DRTI Act-2001 on total 10 queries.

The appellant did not receive any information from the Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Executive Officer, DJB. Aggrieved by the same, he filed the appeals before the Appellate Authority, Public Grievances Commission under Section 7 of DRTI Act -2001.

2. Proceedings

The appellant is present and heard.

Officers from the North and Central Division of Delhi Jal Board were present and heard.

Since the appellant and the respondent department in both the appeals are the same, a joint order is being issued in respect of both the appeals.

Officers from North and Central Division of the DJB submitted that the appellant had visited the Division Office and inspected the documents. He earmarked some documents and request to provide photocopy of the same. Appellant further requested to produce Contract Agreement and work order for inspection on some other day. However, the appellant stated that he was not shown the complete record and the averment made by the department is not correct.

3. Decision :

1. 139/2017

2. 140/2017

The appellant is seeking information regarding certified copies of Work Orders passed by office of Ex. Engg. (Central – I & II) and by the office of Ex. Engg. (North-I).

In the hearing on 23.04.2018, the department representative submitted that the appellant had visited the office and inspected the records. However, the appellant stated that he was not shown the complete record.

After discussion, it has been decided that if desired by the appellant he may be allowed to inspect the files on a mutually convenient date and time and if required, the appellant shall be provided photocopies of the documents @ Rs. 5/- per page. The inspection charges for inspection, as per DRTU Rules is Rs. 15/- for every 15 minutes.

The Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Jal Board is directed to ensure that available record should be provided to the appellant for inspection, on the date and time duly agreed. Photocopies of the documents should be provided to the appellant, if asked by him.

If the appellant did not turn up for inspection, a pointwise reply in respect of each query of the appellant mentioning total number of documents, as requested by the appellant, should be furnished to the appellant within 10 days from the date of issue of this order, with a copy marked to the Public Grievances Commission. It is pertinent to mention here that total number of pages should be calculated separately for each question raised by the appellant and not in totality for all the questions.

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, to be appended with the reply should be certified either by the Competent Authority or an official deputed by the Competent Authority.

The matter is accordingly closed at the Commission's end.

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member,

Public Grievances Commission

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