

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Date of Hearing : 17.05.2018

Date of Decision : 17.05.2018

Applicant : Sh. S .C. Yogi

Respondent : Dy. Commissioner (Rohini Zone)
North DMC, Delhi

Appeal No : 404/2017

Appeal filed on : 13.09.2017

DRTI Application filed on : 05.08.2017

Competent Authority replied on : No response

1. Background :

Sh. S.C. Yogi, the appellant vide DRTI application dated 05.08.2017 has sought information from the Deputy Commissioner (Rohini Zone), NDMC / Competent Authority notified under the DRTI Act-2001, on total 12 counts.

The appellant did not receive any information from the Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (Rohini Zone), North DMC. Being aggrieved by the same, he filed an appeal before the Appellate Authority, Public Grievances Commission under Section 7 of DRTI Act -2001.

2. Proceedings

The appellant is not present.

Sh. Kuldeep, APHI, Health Deptt., Rohini Zone, NDMC appeared on behalf of the Competent Authority. He submitted that a reply had already been furnished to the appellant vide dated 23.08.2017.

3. Decision

On perusal of the reply furnished by the Competent Authority, it has been revealed that the reply dated 23.08.2017 has been not been addressed to the appellant. The same was signed by APIO, Health / Rohini Zone and marked to AO/RZ. No document submitted by the department to prove that the reply had actually been sent to the appellant.

The Commission is of the considered view that no information has been provided to the appellant even after a lapse of almost 10 months, which is in contravention of the DRTI Act/ Rules-2001. It is pertinent to mention here that as per DRTI Act and Rules-2001, reply should be furnished to the appellant within 30 days from the date of receipt of the application.

Further, the reply submitted by the department is factually incorrect and irrelevant. In respect of Query Nos. 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, the appellant was asked to inspect the documents, whereas the same can easily be provided to the appellant on payment of requisite fees of Rs. 5/- per page.

The casual approach of the Competent Authority in providing the information to the appellant is viewed very seriously by the Appellate Authority / Member (PGC).

Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (Rohini Zone), North DMC is directed to furnish specific and factually correct information to the appellant, addressing each point raised by the appellant in his DRTI application within 10 days from the date of issue of this order, with a copy marked to the Public Grievances Commission.

The reply should be signed by the Competent Authority, properly stamped and having the name of the Competent Authority.

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

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member,

Public Grievances Commission

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