

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 (South Zone)
South DMC, Delhi

Appeal No : 359/2017

Appeal filed on : 01.09.2017

DRTI Application filed on : 04.08.2017

Competent Authority replied on : Not satisfied with the response

Background :

Sh. S.C. Yogi, the appellant vide DRTI application dated 04.08.2017 has sought information on total 12 counts. Not satisfied with the information furnished by the Competent Authority, he filed this appeal before the Commission.

Proceedings

The appellant is not present. Sh. Ardhendu Tak, APIO, appeared on behalf of the Competent Authority submitted that a reply had already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 29.08.2017. Reply perused.

On perusal of reply dated 28.08.2017, it has been observed that the same is not signed by the Competent Authority, hence not acceptable.

The Commission further notes that the application filed under the provisions of DRTI Act-2001, has been treated in a very casual manner and replied under the provisions of Right to Information Act-2005.

The Commission is appalled to note that even after 17 years of existence of DRTI Act-2001, the officials are oblivious of Act and process and confusing the same with the RTI Act of 2005. Further, the information furnished is factually incorrect and not as per the queries raised by the appellant in his DRTI application.

Decision :

The Competent Authority is directed to furnish the factual and point-wise reply to the queries of the appellant within 2 weeks from the date of receipt of this order, directly to the appellant, with a copy marked to the Public Grievances Commission, under his signature / stamp..

The matter is brought to the personal attention of the Commissioner, South Delhi Municipal Corporation, who is advised to issue directions to all concerned and specifically the Competent Authorities to exercise due diligence in carrying out functions according to the provisions of the Delhi Right to Information Act-2001.

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

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member,
Public Grievances Commission

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