

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Date of Hearing : 05.07.2018

Date of Decision : 05.07.2018

Applicant : Sh. R.L. Makhija

Respondent : Dy. Commissioner (City S.P. Zone),
North DMC

Appeal No : 26/2017/PGC/DRI/NDMC

Appeal filed on : 21.04.2017

DRTI Application filed on : 02.03.2017

Competent Authority replied on : Not satisfied with the response.

Ref. No. RLM/2016-17/186 dt. 27.02.2017

Background

Sh. R.L. Makhija, the appellant vide his DRTI applications dated 02.03.2017 had sought information on total 9 counts. Not satisfied with the information furnished, he filed this appeal before the Commission.

Proceedings

Appellant not present.

Sh. Sarafat Ali, A.E. appeared on behalf of the Competent Authority submitted that a reply had already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 15.11.2017. Reply perused.

In the reply, the department has requested the appellant to deposit Rs. 976/- (488 X2) in Mpl. Treasury to obtain the photocopy of record sought by the appellant. The reply has not been signed by the Competent Authority and the appellant was asked to collect the document after making payment @ Rs. 2/- per page. It is pertinent to mention here that under DRTI Act, the fees for obtaining documents is Rs. 5/- per page. The reply furnished is unacceptable.

Further, while calculating the amount to be deposited by the appellant, number of documents and amount to be deposited by the appellant should be made separately and mentioned against each and every query and not in totality.

Decision

On perusal of records / documents, the Commission finds inordinate delay in furnishing the information. Competent Authority is directed to ensure that information should be furnished to the appellant within the stipulated period as per DRTI Act-2001.

The Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (City S.P. Zone) is directed to furnish the pointwise reply directly to the appellant within 2 weeks from the date of receipt of this order, with a copy marked to the Commission, under his signature / stamp.

With the above direction, the appeal case is closed at the Commission's end

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member,
Public Grievances Commission

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