PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

| Date of Hearing : | 19.04.2018 |
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| Applicant : | Sh. Anil Dutt Sharma |
| Respondent : | Deputy Commissioner (Shahdara South Zone) East DMC |
| Appeal No : | 661/2016/PGC/DRI/EDMC |
| Appeal filed on : | 03.01.2017 |
| DRTI Application filed on : | 16.11.2016 |
| Competent Authority replied on : | Not response |

Background :

Sh. Anil Dutt Sharma, the appellant vide his application dated 16.11.2016, had sought information from the Deputy Commissioner (Shahdara South Zone), East DMC/Competent Authority notified under the DRTI Act-2001 on total 6 queries.

The appellant did not receive any information from the Competent Authority. Being aggrieved with the same he filed the appeal before the Commission.

Proceedings:

Both the parties absent.

During the last hearing held on 17.08.2017, the Competent Authority was directed to furnish a pointwise comprehensive information to the appellant for a period from 01.01.2016 to 16.11.2016 before next date of hearing. However, in the hearing today neither any representative present on behalf of the Competent Authority nor any information has been provided, hence todays hearing rendered infructous.

On perusal of records / documents, the Commission finds inordinate delay in furnishing the information. The Commission further notes prima facie case of causing deliberate obstruction in flow of information and accordingly directed explanation of the Respondent / Competent Authority.

Directions to Competent Authority :

The Competent Authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner (Shahdara South Zone), East Delhi Municipal Corporation is directed as follows:

- (a) In case the Competent Authority has already given a reply to the appellant, he should furnish a copy of the reply, sent to the appellant, along with proof of dispatch by Speed Post, to the Commission within one week of receipt of this Order.
- (b) In case no reply has been furnished by the Competent Authority to the appellant in response to his request under Delhi Right to Information Act, the Competent Authority should furnish point-wise reply, specific to the queries of the appellant, within one week of receipt of this Order. Further, it is incumbent upon the Competent Authority to collate the requisite information from concerned offices under his administrative control and provide comprehensive reply to the appellant.
- (c) The Competent Authority should invariably ensure that the reply are sent under his / her signature and seal and indicate to the appellant the name and address of the Appellate Authority / Public Grievances Commission, before whom the Appeal, if any may be filed.

The appeal stands disposed with above directions.

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member, Public Grievances Commission

Copy to :

- Deputy Commissioner (Shahdara South Zone), East DMC, Near Karkardooma Court, Shahdara, Delhi – 110 032.
- 2. Shri Anil Dutt Sharma