

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. 217/2018/PGC/DRTI/NDMC dated 21.6.2018

Date of Hearing : 6.12.2018

Appellant : Sh. Dinesh Kumar

Competent Authority : The Director (PR)
New Delhi Municipal Council

Application under DRTI : 10.5.2018

1 Background :

The appellant vide DRTI application dated 10.5.2018 has sought information on total 09 points. Aggrieved by the information furnished to him, he filed this appeal.

2 Proceedings

The appellant is not present. Nobody is present on behalf of the Competent Authority. However a copy of the reply dt. 06.6.2018, vide which point-wise information has been provided to the appellant, is available in the appeal file.

The same has been perused and it is observed that the reply provided to the appellant has not been signed by the Competent Authority and hence the same cannot be treated as a reply under the DRTI Act 2001. However, for the sake of brevity the reply has been perused and it appears that the department has provided satisfactory reply to the queries of the appellant.

1 Decision

Though the department has provided satisfactory information to the queries of the appellant but the same has not been furnished under the signature of the Competent Authority. Therefore, the Competent Authority, viz. Director (PR), New Delhi Municipal Council is directed to furnish a revised reply to all the queries of the appellant. The revised reply shall be sent directly to the appellant within 02 weeks of issue of this order under his/her own signature/stamp, with a copy marked to this Commission.

The Appellate Authority notes that the information sought from New Delhi Municipal Council under the DRTI Act 2001 is generally not signed by the Competent Authority. As per the notification issued by the Government of NCT of Delhi, Director (PR) has

been notified as the Competent Authority under the Act and only he/she is competent to provide information to the applicants.

This fact is brought to the personal attention of the Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Corporation with the advice that the Competent Authority be made aware of his/her responsibility under the Act and also the officers/officials handling the applications under the DRTI Act 2001 may be sensitized accordingly.

With the above direction, the appeal case is ordered to be disposed in this Commission.

(ASHOK KUMAR)

Chairman,
Public Grievances Commission

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