

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. 207 to 209/2018/PGC/DRTI/North DMC dated 15.6.2018

Date of Hearing : 29.1.2018
Appellant : Sh. Sunil Kumar Sharma
Competent Authority : Dy. Commissioner (City/SP Zone)
North DMC
Application under DRTI : 2.5.2018

Since the parties involved in the Appeals are common, various Appeals are being clubbed together for hearing and disposal to avoid multiplicity of the proceedings and effective adjudication.

1 Background :

The appellant vide DRTI application dated 2.5.2018 has sought information on total 03 points each. Aggrieved by non-receipt of information from the Competent Authority, he filed these appeals.

2 Proceedings

The appellant is present. Sh. Ravi Gupta Asstt. Engineer, (Maintenance-II) City/SP Zone, North DMC is present on behalf of the Competent Authority. The representative of the department informed that point-wise reply has already been sent to the appellant by the department vide letter dt. 5.10.2018. Copy of the same was submitted in the hearing today.

It is observed that the appellant had submitted his application for seeking information under DRTI Act in the office of the Competent Authority on 2.5.2018, whereas the department has replied only on 5.10.2018 i.e. after a delay of 05 months. The time limit prescribed under the DRTI Act for providing information is 30 days. Therefore there has been an undue delay in providing the information to the appellant. It is further observed that the information has not been provided under the signature and stamp of the Competent Authority, which is mandatory under the Act. **The Competent Authority is advised to devise a mechanism whereby the requisite replies are submitted to him by the concerned branches well in**

time, so that the same are sent to the applicants/appellants under his signature/stamp only and within the time period stipulated under the Act.

In their reply the department has informed that the appellant can inspect the relevant records in the office of the E.E. (M-I) C-SP Zone on any working day. In the hearing today, it was mutually decided by the representative of the department and the appellant that the inspection shall be conducted in the office of the E.E. (M-I), C-SP Zone on Friday, 8th February 2019 at 2.00 P.M.

3 Decision

The Competent Authority viz. Dy. Commissioner City/SP Zone, North DMC may note the advice of the Commission as given above. Further he is directed to ensure that the relevant records are made available for inspection to the appellant on Friday 8th Feb. 2019 at 2.00 P.M. Thereafter photocopies of documents identified by him shall be provided to him on payment of requisite fee as prescribed under the RTI Rules 2001.

With the above direction, the matter is ordered to be disposed of at the Commission's end.

(ASHOK KUMAR)
Chairman,
Public Grievances Commission

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