

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. 556 to 558/2018/PGC/DRTI/North DMC dated 4.12.2018

Date of Hearing : 20.3.2019

Appellant : Sh. B.K. Verma

Competent Authority : Dy. Commissioner (K.B.Zone)
North DMC

Application under DRTI : 26.10.2018

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 his DRTI applications dated 26.10.2018 has sought information on total 05 points each. Aggrieved by non-receipt of information from the Competent Authority, he filed these appeals.

2 Proceedings

The appellant is not present. Sh. Lalit Bathla, SSA (Bldg.) K.B. Zone, North DMC is present on behalf of the respondent department. The representative of the department informs that the department has already provided the information to the appellant vide letter dt. 29.11.2018 in all the three appeal cases. He submitted copies of the same in the hearing today.

The replies have been perused. It is observed that the department has not provided any information on the ground that the information sought by the appellant relates to personal information and would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual. Personal of the DRTI applications of Sh. B.K. Verma shows that he has sought information, like educational qualification, posting etc. in respect of one Smt. Veenu, JE. It is informed that the details about the mode of joining, category of appointment, transfer/posting, educational qualifications and names of Institutions etc. in respect of a Govt. servant cannot be considered as private information and hence cannot be denied.

3 Decision

The Competent Authority viz. Dy. Commissioner, KB Zone is directed to furnish a revised point-wise reply to the appellant, in all the three appeal cases, within 15 days of receipt of this order. If it is felt that providing any information shall cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual, then the Competent Authority shall pass a specific order invoking the relevant section of the DRTI Act 2001 for denying the information. The revised reply shall be sent directly to the appellant under the signature/stamp of the Competent Authority, with a copy marked to this office for information.

The appellant is also advised not to submit multiple applications seeking similar information, since this causes a drain on the resources and manpower of the department and is against the spirit of the DRTI Act- 2001.

With the above directions, the present appeal case is ordered to be closed in the Commission.

(ASHOK KUMAR)

Chairman,
Public Grievances Commission

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