# PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

#### **APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

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

#### Appeal No. 697/2018/PGC/DRTI/ North DMC dated 11.2.2019

**Date of Hearing:** 24.6.2019

**Appellant:** Sh. Kamaljeet Singh

**Competent Authority:** The Director (Hort.)

North DMC

**Application under DRTI:** 31.12.2018

### 1 Background:

The appellant vide DRTI application dated 31.12.2018 has sought information on total 08 points. Aggrieved by non receipt of any information from the Competent Authority, he filed this appeal.

## 2 Proceedings

The appellant is present. Sh. Sheesh Pal Meena, DDH (West Zone) and Sh. Om Parkash, ADH, (West Zone) are present on behalf of the department. A letter dt. 24.6.2019, signed by the Deputy Director (Hq.) (Horticulture Department), South DMC is available in the appeal file. The appellant denies having received this information from the department.

The reply of the department has been perused. The department has provided information after collecting the same from the 4 Zones viz. South, Central, West and Najafgarh and from the Headquarter. The information has been forwarded by the Deputy Director (Hq.), SDMC on behalf of the Director (Horticulture).

It was explained to the officers present on behalf of the department that, under the DRTI Act 2001, only the Competent Authority viz. the Director (Horticulture), South DMC in the present case, is authorised to provide information to the appellant after collecting the same from all the departments/branches under his jurisdiction. Thereafter the information shall be collated and a comprehensive reply has to be provided to the appellant under the signature/stamp of the Competent Authority. The officers present in the hearing have undertaken that they will provide the information duly signed by the Director (Hort.) who is the Competent Authority. They have also undertaken that the appellant can inspect their records and after scrutiny of the same, collect photocopies of required documents.

#### 3 Decision

As advised above, the Competent Authority shall provide a consolidated revised reply in respect of all the queries within 03 weeks of receipt of this order. The revised reply shall be sent directly to the appellant, under the signature/stamp of the Competent Authority, with a copy marked to this Commission for information.

Further, as volunteered by the department, date and time for inspection of the documents shall be intimated to the appellant well in advance. Thereafter photocopies of the document, identified by the appellant, shall be provided to him on payment of fee prescribed under the DRTI Rules-2001

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

(ASHOK KUMAR)

Chairman, Public Grievances Commission

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