PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi) **APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

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

Appeal No. :	542/2018
Date of Hearing :	01/04/2019
Date of Decision :	01/04/2019
Applicant :	Shri Vivek Bansal
Respondent :	Deputy Commissioner (Advertisement), North DMC
Appeal filed on :	03/12/2018
Application filed on :	04/10/2018

1. Background

Shri Vivek Bansal, the appellant, vide his application dated 04/10/2018 under Delhi Right to Information Act, 2001, had sought information from the Competent Authority on 6 points. Aggrieved with the information furnished to him, he filed this appeal before the Commission.

2. Proceedings

The appellant is present and heard.

Shri S.K.Bhardwaj, Commercial Officer is present on behalf of the Competent Authority. He informed that point-wise information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 12/11/2018. A copy of the same is available in the appeal file.

The reply has been perused and it is observed that the reply has not been furnished under the signature of the Competent Authority viz. Deputy Commissioner (Advertisement Department), North DMC. The appellant submits that he is seeking information about unauthorized hoardings which have been put up in violation of the standard norms for such hoardings. The department should either collect the prescribed revenue from such hoardings or should initiate steps to remove the same.

3. Decision

Though it appears that the department has provided satisfactory information to the queries of the appellant, but the same is not signed by the Competent Authority. Therefore, the Competent Authority viz. Deputy Commissioner (Advertisement Department), North DMC, is directed to provide a revised reply to the queries of the appellant. The revised reply should be sent directly to the appellant within 10 days of receipt of this order under the signature / stamp of the Competent Authority, with a copy marked to this Commission for information.

Though it is not a part of DRTI matter under consideration, however the departmental representative was advised to look into the possibility of calling a meeting with all the empanelled advertising agencies to apprise them about the permissible size of the hoardings, so that they are aware of the provisions of the Act.

With the above advice, the appeal case is ordered to be closed before the Appellate Authority / PGC.

(ASHOK KUMAR) CHAIRMAN, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

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Dated:

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