PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. 318/2017/PGC/DRTI/East DMC dated 17.8.2017

Date of Hearing: 1.8.2018

Appellant: Sh. Anil Dutt Sharma

Competent Authority: Dy. Commissioner (Central Zone)

South DMC

Application under DRTI: 19.6.2017

1 Background:

The appellant vide DRTI application dated 19.6.2017 has sought information on total 08 points. Aggrieved with non-receipt of information from the Competent Authority, he filed this appeal.

2 Proceedings

The appellant is present. Sh. Rakesh Kumar, ASO (Bldg.) Deptt. Central Zone, South DMC is present on behalf of the respondent. The representative of the department submitted a copy of letter dated 25.7.2018 vide which point-wise reply has been furnished to the appellant.

The reply has been perused. Satisfactory information in respect of point no. 07 only has been provided. In response to the other queries, the department has mentioned that the information sought is voluminous in nature and is not available in this office in a compiled form. Hence the department is unable to provide the same.

3 Decision

The Appellate Authority notes that the appellant had submitted his application to the Competent Authority on 19.6.2017 and the reply of the Competent Authority informing at this belated stage that the information sought is voluminous and hence cannot be provided is unacceptable. Moreover, the information like details of booked properties, demolished properties etc. should be available on the website of the department. In that case, the department should furnish details of the website and its links to enable the appellant to access the information on the website, if the

same is not available on the website then the Competent authority is directed to make available the complete information as sought by the appellant vide his DRTI application.

The Competent Authority viz. Dy. Commissioner Central Zone, South DMC is directed to furnish a revise reply in respect of all the queries, except query no. 07, directly to the appellant with a copy marked to this Commission in his/her own signature /stamp. Also to explain why the information was not furnished to the appellant within stipulated period of time allowed, why the penalty as provided under the Act be not imposed upon the concerned Competent Authority. The revised reply must be issued within 10 days issue of this order.

The matter is accordingly disposed of at the Commission's end.

(SUDHIR YADAV)

Member, Public Grievances Commission

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