PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. : 3757/2025

Date of Hearing : 03/11/2026

Applicant : Shri Wahid Khan

Respondent : Addl. CEO, Delhi Jal Board

Application filed on : 06/10/2025

Appeal filed on : 13/11/2025

1. Background

Shri Wahid Khan, appellant, vide his DRTI application had sought information from the Addl. CEO, Delhi Jal Board / Competent Authority under the DRTI Act, 2001.

Aggrieved with non-furnishing of any information by the department, appellant filed this appeal before the Appellate Authority, under Section 7 of DRTI Act, 2001.

2. Proceedings

The appellant is present.

Shri Gopal Khandelwal, A.E. (E&M), and Shri Bhupender Singh, Jr. Asstt. are present on behalf of the Competent Authority.

In the last hearing held on 24.06.2026, the Competent Authority was directed to furnish details of tube wells including location to the appellant within 15 days. The representative of the Competent Authority in the hearing today gave a copy of reply dated 02.11.2026 in which list of tube wells in the division of E.E.(E&M) M-2 was given. The same was given to the appellant who expressed his

dissatisfaction as the list is not complete and there is one more division which has got the tube wells in the North East District, list of which is not supplied.

The Competent Authority is reminded that as per the DRTI application, the appellant had asked for the information about the entire North East District not related to one division only and it is the responsibility of the Competent Authority to ensure that the complete information is furnished to the appellant. The Competent Authority in its earlier reply had mentioned that there are 76 tube wells in the Division M-2 itself and in today's reply they furnished only list of 26 tube wells and has not indicated whether they are functional or not.

3. Decision

This casual attitude of the Competent Authority i.e. Addl. CEO, DJB points to deliberate attempt to not to furnish the information despite repeated directions from the Appellate Authority and this makes it liable for penal action including imposition of penalty.

One last opportunity is provided to the Competent Authority to furnish the reply giving complete details of the tube wells within 15 days to the appellant with a copy to Appellate Authority/PGC.

On the next date of hearing the Competent Authority or its representative who is familiar with the facts of the matter should remain present.

The next hearing in this appeal case is scheduled for Thursday, **04th February, 2027** at **11 : 30 A.M.**

5/11/26.

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APPELLATE AUTHORITY/ CHAIRMAN, PGC

No. Appeal/3757/2025/PGC/DRTI/DJB/. 12475-476 Dated : 10/11/26

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