PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. : 3903/2026

Date of Hearing : 14/10/2026

Applicant : Shri Vivek Bansal

Respondent : Addl. CEO (Delhi Jal Board)

Application filed on : 27/11/2025

Appeal filed on : 09/01/2026

1. Background

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

Being aggrieved with non receipt of any information from the department, he filed this appeal before the Appellate Authority, under Section 7 of DRTI Act, 2001.

2. Proceedings

The appellant is present.

The Competent Authority is represented by Sh. Anuj, AD (H), DJB, Sh. Dharmendra Dhami, PC AMR (RTI), DJB (HQ) & Sh. Ashish Kumar Mishra, S.O (DJB).

In the last hearing on 09/06/2026, the Competent Authority was directed to fix date & time for inspection in mutual consultation with the appellant and this was to be done within 15 days time. However, the same has not been done and few days before hearing, the appellant was asked to come for inspection of records vide letter dated 06/10/2026 fixing date of inspection as 09/10/2026. The same could not be done as the date of inspection was fixed by the Competent Authority without consulting the appellant who has expressed his inability to come on that day. It is seen that Competent Authority has not taken any action for over 3 months after hearing on 09/06/2026, though the time limit was given 15 days to get the inspection done. This casual attitude of the Competent Authority in complying with the directions of the Appellate Authority makes its liable penal action under the provisions of DRTI Act, 2001.

In the last hearing, it was mentioned by the appellant that the information sought is not voluminous and the same can be furnish without inspection by the Competent Authority and he is willing to pay the requisite charges upon being intimated by the Competent Authority.

3. Decision

The Competent Authority is directed to furnish the information as asked in the DRTI application without waiting for inspection and would intimate the amount to be deposited for the requested information within 7 days from today and furnish the information within 7 days thereafter making payment by the appellant.

Accordingly, the appeal case is disposed of.

Dharmendra 23/10/26.

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APPELLATE AUTHORITY/ CHAIRMAN, PGC

No. Appeal/3903/2026/PGC/DRTI/DJB/ 11713-714 Dated : 29/10/26

To,

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