PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

Appeal No. : 4123/2026

Date of Hearing : 22/10/2026

Applicant : Shri Ashok Kumar Taneja

Respondent : D.C. (Shah. South Zone), MCD

Applications filed on : 19/01/2026

Appeals filed on : 09/03/2026

1. Background

Shri Ashok Kumar Taneja, appellant, vide his DRTI application had sought information from the D.C. (Shahdara South Zone)/Competent Authority under the DRTI Act, 2001.

Being aggrieved with the non receipt of any information from the department, he filed this appeal dated 09/03/2026 before the Appellate Authority/PGC under Section 7 of DRTI Act, 2001.

2. Proceedings

Sh. Tarun Kumar Shukla represented the appellant Sh. Ashok Kumar Taneja.

The Competent Authority is represented by Sh. Ravinder Kumar, S.O., Shahdara South Zone/MCD.

The Competent Authority in his letter dated 30/09/2026 has given a status report regarding complaint/grievance dated 10/01/2026 and complaint u/s 9 of DRTI Act, 2001 dated 15/04/2026 from Sh. Ashok Kumar Taneja regarding unauthorized construction over the property of Sh. Hari Kishan bearing no. 443, Jheel Khuranja, Delhi.

The appellant was also given a copy of this reply though it was mentioned by the representative of the Competent Authority that this has also been sent vide speed post and received by appellant on 03/10/2026.

3. Decision

In the hearing on 24/09/2026, copy of the complaint dated 15/04/2026 u/s 9 of DRTI Act, 2001 was taken from the appellant and given to the Competent Authority to furnish their response in the matter within 07 days, keeping in view time limit prescribed of the Hon'ble Court.

A copy of the complaint was also enclosed with the last order dated 24/09/2026 of the Appellate Authority. In the hearing the Competent Authority was also directed to furnish reply to the DRTI application dated 19/01/2026 within 07 days.

It was further pointed out that by not complying with the direction of the Appellate Authority and not furnishing the reply to the DRTI application, Competent Authority is liable for penal action under provisions of DRTI Act, 2001.

Despite these directions the query wise reply to the DRTI application dated 19/01/2026 has not been furnished. Only one status report which is signed by the Executive Engineer (B-1), who is not the Competent Authority, is enclosed which mentions about various complaints in this matter before various authorities. This also enclosed one more status report dated 20/08/2026 giving details with regard to this property and the complaint correspondence received from the appellant. This is not the information sought by the appellant. It is observed that the Competent Authority has neither furnished the requisite information nor replied to the complaint dated 15.04.2026.

One last and final opportunity is hereby granted to the Competent Authority to comply with the order. A copy of this order be sent by name to the Dy. Commissioner (Shahdara South Zone), MCD, so that the matter is brought to his notice and a query-wise reply is furnished and the information as sought in the DRTI application dated 19.01.2026 is provided.

In the event of non furnishing of information to the appellant within next 7 days from the receipt of this order, proceedings under Section 9(2) of the DRTI Act, 2001 shall be initiated for imposition of penalty under the DRTI Act, 2001 and appropriate order would be passed.

In the next date of hearing, the competent Authority or any official who is familiar with the matter should remain present.

The next hearing in this appeal case is scheduled for **Thursday**, **12.11.2026** at **11 : 30 A.M.**

(DHARMENDRA)
APPELLATE AUTHORITY/ CHAIRMAN, PGC

No. Appeal/4123/2026/PGC/DRTI/MCD/ 11965-966 Dated : 3/11/26

To,

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2. Sh. Ashok Kumar Taneja, R/o H.No. 406, Jheel Khuranja, Delhi-110051