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Appeal No. CIC/BSNLD/A/2017/315762

Appellant: Yogesh Chandra

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
O/o The Supdt. Engineer (Elect.),
BSNL Elect. Circle, 2nd Floor,
DTO Bldg., Prasad Nagar, New Delhi-05.

Date of Hearing: 17.10.2017

Dated of Decision: 17.10.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 11.04.2016 seeking details of tenders awarded/rejected from March, 2011 to September, 2011 and from September, 2011 to March, 2012 in the O/o SE BSNL Elect. Circle, New Delhi including a copy of tender scrutiny notes/comparative statement of each tender.
2. The CPIO responded on 31.05.2016. The appellant filed First Appeal dated 06.06.2016. The FAA responded on 24.06.2016. The appellant filed second appeal on 27.10.2016 before the Commission on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. Both the parties participated in the hearing in person. Mr. D. C. Meena (SE, Electrical) represented the respondent.
4. The appellant stated that the respondent has provided him the information relating to only paras 1 and 2 of this RTI application. Further, he stated that copy of the reply sent by the respondent is very dull/illegible. Therefore, the respondent should furnish him a fresh set of reply. In addition,

he stated that the respondent has denied the information relating to paras 3 and 4 (tenders awarded from September, 2011 to March, 2012; and photocopy of tender scrutiny notes) of this RTI application on technical ground saying that 'award' of tender is not issued from their office. He stated that the respondent should have collected the information or forwarded his RTI application to the office where the sought for information is available.

5. The respondent stated that 'award' of tender is not issued from their office. Therefore, they have given a reply to the appellant saying that no information is available in their office pertaining to paras 3 and 4 of this RTI application.

Discussion/ observation:

6. The respondent should provide a clear/legible copy of the given reply. The tenders were handled by the BSNL office. Therefore, it is obligatory on part of the respondent to collect the information from the section/office where it is available, and provide to the appellant, free of cost, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Decision:

7. The respondent is directed to take action as per para 6 above.

The appeal is disposed of. Copy of the order be given to the parties free of cost.

(Radha Krishna Mathur)
Chief Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(S.C. Sharma)
Dy. Registrar