

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION
August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place,
New Delhi-110066

F. No. **CIC/YA/C/2016/000020**

Date of Hearing : **03.11.2016**
Date of Decision : **03.11.2016**
Appellant/Complainant : **Shri Syed Nazim Ali, Delhi**
Respondent : CPIO, South Delhi Municipal Corporation, Delhi
Through:
Shri Yogendra Babu, Dy.Dir/CSI
Information Commissioner : Shri Yashovardhan Azad

Relevant facts emerging from appeal:

RTI application filed on : 21.09.2015
PIO replied on : 21.10.2015
First Appeal filed on : Did not file FA
First Appellate Order on : No order passed
2nd Appeal/complaint received on : 31.12.2015

Information sought and background of the case:

The complainant vide RTI application dated 21.09.2015 sought information regarding order of the then Commissioner for forfeiting of Security deposit for cooking of non-veg food in Mahavir Vatika Community Hall in Darya Ganj on wedding/social events under 4 points.. CPIO replied on 21.10.2015 furnished information as available on record. Feeling aggrieved the complainant approached the Commission.

Relevant facts emerging during hearing:

Both parties are present and heard. The appellant states that on the instance of a noting of Commissioner in a particular file, SDMC started forfeiting the security deposit in case of any instance of cooking of non-vegetarian food in the above said Community Hall. He further states that his RTI application has not been replied to appropriately. The respondent states that information as available on record has already been provided to the appellant. A photocopy of note sheet containing the order of Commissioner has already

been provided to the appellant. There is no such order prior to 23.09.1997. On being asked by the Commission as to whether there are any norms or guidelines which prohibit use of meat and liquor in the Community Hall, the respondent could not provide any accurate reply.

Decision:

After hearing parties and perusal of record, the Commission is of the view that it is the right of the citizen to know about the orders which are directly affecting them, particularly with respect to civic amenities provided by the civic authorities. Accordingly, the Commission directs that the instant Complaint be converted into an Appeal for effective disposal of the query. Furthermore, the public authority is directed to provide a Revised reply clarifying the position about use of non vegetarian food and liquor in the Community Hall substantiating the statement with copy of norms/guidelines/provision of law which prohibit the use of liquor/meat in the Community Hall on wedding/social events. This revised reply should be furnished by the Respondent to the appellant within two weeks of receipt of this order, with a copy marked to the Commission.

The case is disposed of accordingly.

(Yashovardhan Azad)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPIO of this Commission.

(R.P.Grover)
Designated Officer

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