

MISC. CASE NO. 2 OF 2021

Ref.: Complaint Case No. 2 of 2019

FIR No. 8(9) 2020V&AC PS U/s 420/120B IPC and 13(2) r/w 13(1)(c) (d)
of PC Act, 1988

14.07.2021

1. Perused the letter of the Director Inquiry dated 14.07.2021 and also the letter of the investigating officers Shri S. Hemanta Singh, Addl SP/V&AC PS Manipur dated 14.07.2021 to the Manipur Lokayukta requesting for extension of the period for completion of Investigation of the present case FIR No. 8(9) 2020V&AC PS U/s 420/120B IPC and 13(2) r/w 13(1)(c) (d) of PC Act, 1988 for another six month w.e.f. 22.07.2021. In the said letter, the investigating officer stated that the progress of investigation of the present case had been hampered by the different orders of the Government of Manipur in restricting the movement of persons due to Covid-19 Pandemic. It is made known to the public by Government of Manipur that the movement of persons and activities are restricted. Since those orders are public orders we take judicial notice of the said orders. The said orders are:-

Sl. No.	Order Date	File No.
1.	11st February,2021	NO. 9/6(1)/2020-H(pt) order by Governor of Manipur
2.	19th February,2021	NO. 9/6(1)/2020-H(pt) order by Governor of Manipur
3.	23rd February,2021	NO. 9/6(1)/2020-H(pt) order by Governor of Manipur
4.	9 th March,2021	NO. 9/6(1)/2020-H(pt) order by Governor of Manipur

2. Taking into consideration of the exceptional circumstances due to the covid pandemic in state of Manipur, we are of the considered view that the progress of the investigation had been hampered to a great extent thereby resulting to failure on the part of the investigating officer to complete the investigation within the period mentioned in the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014. For the ends of justice and fair play, the period for completion of investigation is further extended for another period of six months w.e.f. 22.07.2021.

3. Deputy Registrar is directed to communicate the order to Director (Inquiry) and Investigation Officer.

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MEMBER

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CHAIRPERSON