COMPLAINT CASE NO. 2 OF 2021

22.08.2022

- 1. Complainant appeared in person.
- 2. Mr. Romeshchandra Yumnam, learned counsel appearing for the respondent no. 1 files comment to the Preliminary Inquiry report on behalf of respondent no. 1. Mr. G.A. Romendro Sharma, learned counsel appearing for the respondent no. 3 files comment to the Preliminary Inquiry report on behalf of respondent no. 3.
- 3. Respondent No. 5 appears in person and submits that he is not filing comment to the Preliminary Inquiry report. Respondent No. 5 further submits that Respondent No. 4 is not in a position to appear before Manipur Lokayukta as today is the *Asti* of his near relative.
- 4. Mr. O. Kiranjit, learned counsel entered appearance on behalf of respondent no. 2 and prays for 2 weeks' time for filing comment on behalf of the respondent no. 2.
- Mr. R.K. Kulajit, learned counsel appearing for respondent 5. no. 6 submitted that he had filed an application dated 12.08.2022 praying for dispensing the physical presence of respondent no. 6 before Manipur Lokayukta coupled with a prayer for allowing the respondent no. 6 to file his written comment/statement after three months on medical grounds. The said application is supported by a medical certificate stating that respondent no. 6 is presently having treatment at Apollo Clinic, GS Road, Guwahati, Assam after emergency surgery on 06.07.2022 for removal of Cyst along with retrieval of the foreign material i.e. enucleation of the cyst along with removal of 22 and foreign material. Mr. R.K. Kulajit, learned counsel for the respondent no. 6, by referring to the said medical certificate submits that the consulting Doctor has advised respondent no. 6 to take rest for 2/3 months from 04.07.2022 on that day respondent no. 6 had the surgery for removal of Cyst. Learned counsel further submits that respondent no. 6 is at present staying at Guwahati for his regular check-up.
- 4.1. In this circumstance, Mr. R.K. Kulajit, learned counsel appearing for respondent no. 6 is directed to get information as to

when respondent no. 6 is coming back to Imphal so as to enable him to file his comment to the Preliminary Inquiry Report. In this situation, we are not pressuring the respondent no. 6 to file his comment but delay in filing his comment certainly will cause delay in quick disposal of this present complaint case thereby resulting in great inconvenience not only to other respondents but also to Manipur Lokayukta. The Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014 prescribes the period for completing certain stages of the complaint. Therefore, taking into consideration of the circumstances and also the provision of Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014, we are of the considered view that at least 20 days' time will be granted for filing comment to the Preliminary Inquiry Report on behalf of the respondents to file their written comments, if any, to the Preliminary Inquiry Report.

6. List this case on 14.09.2022 for filing of comments for respondent nos. 2, 4 and 6 and also for further proceeding.

Sd/- Sd/MEMBER CHAIRPERSON