## MISC. CASE NO. 1 OF 2022

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## 25.07.2022

- 1. Perused the office note dated 21.07.2022, wherein it is reported that Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta under his letter dated 21.07.2022, addressed to the Chairperson, Manipur Lokayukta, informs that the preliminary inquiry as ordered by the Manipur Lokayukta vide its order dated 22.04.2022 passed in the present Complaint Case is in good progress but the recording of the statements of the respondents cannot be completed. The said letter of the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta dated 21.07.2022 is annexed with a copy of a letter of Inquiry Officer dated 21.07.2022 addressed to the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta requesting to take necessary steps for extension of the period of preliminary inquiry by another 3 (three) months.
- 2. We have perused the said letter of the Inquiry Officer dated 21.07.2022; and on such perusal, it is clear that steps for examination of the respondents, who are now posted at different departments of the Government of Manipur, had been taken. It is also stated that recording of the statement of not only the respondents but also of some important witnesses will take some time. It is further stated that obtaining of the comments from the competent authority of the respondents will also take some more time.
- 3. For the reasons mentioned in the said letter of the inquiry officer dated 21.07.2022, we are of the considered view that good reasons has been given for extension of the period for completion of preliminary inquiry. Accordingly, it would be just and proper to extend the period for completion of preliminary inquiry by 3 (three) months w.e.f. 25.07.2022.
- 4. Deputy Registrar, Manipur Lokayukta is directed to communicate this order to the Inquiry Officer, forthwith.
- 5. Misc. case is disposed of accordingly.

Sd/- Sd/MEMBER CHAIRPERSON