COMPLAINT CASE NO. 1 OF 2020

28.01.2021

- 1. Mr. Th. Mahira, learned counsel entered appearance on behalf of Respondent Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.
- 2. Heard Mr. L.N. Ngamba, learned counsel appearing for the complainant and also Mr. Th. Mahira, learned counsel appearing for all the Respondents.
- At the outset, Mr. Th. Mahira, learned counsel appearing for the Respondents has drawn our attention to page No. 5 of the Preliminary Inquiry Report, wherein under the caption "E) The following officials/individuals were examined and recorded their statements in connection with the case.", it is stated that 22 officials/individuals were examined and their recorded statements were placed on a file marked as F/2. Mr. Th. Mahira, also drawn our attention to page No. 6 of the Preliminary Inquiry Report, wherein under the caption "F) Written comments were sought and received their written comments from the following officials and individuals.", it is stated that written comments were sought from the 21 officials and individuals whose particulars are mentioned therein and received their written comment. The written comments were placed on a file marked as F/3. Mr. Th Mahira, learned counsel for the Respondents submits at bar that neither the recorded statements of the said officials/individuals nor the written comments of the said officials and individuals were furnished to the Respondents. He, therefore, reiterated that the recorded statements and the written comments of the said officials/individuals are required for preparing effective and detailed written comments/statements Respondents. Accordingly, he prays for furnishing the copies of the said recorded statement and the written comments of the said officials/individuals.
- 4. After considering the prayer of the learned counsel appearing for the Respondents, we are of the considered view that the said recorded statements and written comments may be required for preparing effective and detailed written comments/statements of the Respondents. Accordingly, Deputy Registrar, Manipur Lokayukta is directed to furnish the copies of the recorded statements of the 22 officials/individuals mentioned above (at page No. 5 of the Preliminary Inquiry Report) and copies of the written comments of the 21 officials and individuals whose particulars are mentioned in page No. 6 of the Preliminary Inquiry Report to the learned counsel i.e. Mr. Th. Mahira, learned counsel for the Respondents and also to Mr. L.N. Ngamba, learned counsel for the complainant within 2 (two) days.

- 5. As prayed for 10 days' time is granted for filing of written comments/statements of the Respondents.
- 6. Fix this case on **08.02.2021** for filing of written comments/statements of the Respondents and also for further proceedings.

Sd/- Sd/MEMBER CHAIRPERSON