<u>COMPLAINT CASE NO. 1 OF 2021</u> <u>WITH</u> <u>COMPLAINT CASE NO. 4 OF 2020</u> <u>AND</u> <u>COMPLAINT CASE NO. 5 OF 2020</u>

<u>16.09.2022</u>

1. Complainant appears in person. All the respondents are represented by their respective counsels.

2. In pursuance of our order dated 22.08.2022 passed in the present complaint, (i) Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur; (ii) Administrative Secretary, Tribal Affairs & Hills, Government of Manipur; and (iii) Administrative Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of Manipur have submitted their comments/information to the questionnaires formulated by Manipur Lokayukta. But, the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur is yet to submit his comment/information and has not assigned any reason for the delay in submitting the comment/information sought for by the Manipur Lokayukta.

3. We are simply noticing the lapses on the part of the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur in submitting the comment/information within the time granted by Manipur Lokayukta. However, at this stage, we are not making any adverse remark against the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur for not providing the comment/information as per our order dated 22.08.2022 passed in the present case. It is felt necessary that providing comment/information as sought for by Manipur Lokayukta would assist the Manipur Lokayukta in coming to a fair decision in the present complaint.

4. In the circumstances stated above, further 2 (two) weeks' time is granted to the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur for submitting the comment/information sought for by Manipur Lokayukta vide its order dated 22.08.2022 passed in the present Complaint case. It is cautioned that in case of the failure to do so; this Lokayukta will have no alternative except to come to the adverse conclusion and observation against the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur.

5. Registry is directed to furnish a copy of this order to the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur within three days.

6. Registry is further directed to furnish the comments/information submitted by (i) Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur; (ii) Administrative Secretary, Tribal Affairs & Hills, Government of Manipur; and (iii) Administrative Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of Manipur to the Complaints as well as to the learned counsel appearing for the respondents within 3 (three) days.

7. List this case on 05.10.2022 for consideration of the comments/information submitted by i) Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur; (ii) Administrative Secretary, Tribal Affairs & Hills, Government of Manipur; and (iii) Administrative Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of Manipur and also for submission of the comment/information by the Administrative Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Manipur.

Sd/-Sd/-MEMBER **CHAIRPERSON**