<u>COMPLAINT CASE NO. 3 OF 2020</u> <u>WITH</u> COMPLAINT CASE NO. 9 OF 2021

08.12.2022

1. Perused the letter dated 05.12.2022 of the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta stating that FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC was investigated by Shri Saujanya Singh, IPS, the then Commandant 5th MR. However, he could not complete the investigation as he was released w.e.f. 04.11.2022 (A/N) by the Manipur Government on deputation.

By our order dated 07.01.2022, passed in Complaint Case 2. No. 3 of 2020 with Complaint Case No. 9 of 2021, we observed that a direct recruit IPS Officer (non-Local) of the rank not lower than Additional SP serving under the State of Manipur was directed to investigate the present cases by exercising all the powers conferred under the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014. The name of the IPS Officer will be intimated later after receiving a panel of names within five working days from the Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur. The Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur while sending the list of panel of IPS Officers may not include IPS officer who is in the Offer List for Central/State deputation for the year, 2022. Pursuant to our order dated 07.01.2022, by another order of Manipur Lokayukta dated 02.02.2022 passed in Complaint Case No. 3 of 2020 with Complaint Case No. 9 of 2021, by invoking our power and jurisdiction under Sections 20 (3) and 28 of the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014, we utilised the service of Shri Ravi Choudhari, IPS (MA : 2016), the then SP, Kamjong for investigation of the above mentioned FIR case. But, before completing the investigation of the FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC, Shri Ravi Choudhari, IPS, the then SP, Kamjong was released on deputation to the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and thus the investigation of FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC was further entrusted to Shri Saujanya Singh, IPS (2016(RR), the then Superintendent of Police, Ukhrul by utilising his service. Again, before completing the investigation of FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC, Shri Saujanya Singh, IPS (2016(RR), the then Superintendent of Police, Ukhrul, who was posted as Commandant of 5th MR was released by the Government of Manipur on deputation before completion of the investigation of the said FIR case.

3. As the investigation of the FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC is at the very advance stage, for completion of the investigation of the said FIR another direct recruit IPS Officer (non-Local) is to be utilised for completing the investigation of the FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC.

4. In the premises stated above and after perusal of the letter of the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta dated 05.12.2022, we by invoking our power and jurisdiction under Sections 20 (3) and 28 of the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014, we hereby order the utilisation of the service of Shri Rahul Gupta, IPS – 2020, presently posted as SDPO, Mayang Imphal as Investigation Officer of the FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC for completion of the investigation of the said FIR case.
5. It may be pertinent to mention here that the utilisation of the service of officer posted at a particular posting for investigating the present case will not amount to transfer and posting inasmuch as his service is simply utilised for investigation of the present case. In other words, utilisation of service for investigation of the present case is in addition to his normal duty without disturbing his posting.
6. Deputy Registrar, Manipur Lokayukta is directed to send a copy of this order to :
 i) the Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur; ii) the Director General of Police, Manipur; iii) the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta; iv) Shri Saujanya Singh, Assistant Director, Intelligence Bureau; and v) Shri Rahul Gupta, IPS – 2020, presently posted as SDPO, Mayang Imphal,
for information and necessary prompt action and also to the parties of the present case for information.
7. Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta is to take prompt action for entrusting the present case i.e. FIR No. 3(02)2022 CB-PS U/s 13 PC Act & 120-B IPC to the Investigating Officer, Shri Rahul Gupta, IPS – 2020, presently posted as SDPO, Mayang Imphal for continuation of the investigation of the present case so as to submit the investigation report within the period as provided under section 20 (6) and 20 (7) of Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014.
8. Await investigating report.
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