MISC CASE NO. 4 OF 2023 REF.: COMPLAINT CASE NO. 4 OF 2022

04.10.2023

- 1. Perused the office note dated 04.10.2023, wherein it is reported that Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta under his letter being No. 6(COMPLT)/ML/DIR(INQ)/2022/ dated 04.10.2023 to the Chairperson, Manipur Lokayukta has requested for extension of the period of Preliminary Inquiry. The said letter dated 04.10.2023 is enclosed with a letter dated 04.10.2023 of Shri L. Shantikumar Singh, Dy. SP., Manipur Lokayukta, who is the Inquiry Officer of the present complaint case.
- 2. Register this as separate Misc. Case.
- 3. The reasons inter alia for extension of time for completion of Preliminary Inquiry, as submitted by the Inquiry Officer in his letter dated 04.10.2023, are:

"That, the inquiry of the case was extended two times w.e.f. 05.04.2023 to 05.07.2023 and 06.07.2023 to 06.10.2023. During the further course of inquiry, recorded the statement of some retired officials and the individual who were adjacent pattadars of the complainant where they were put their signature as witnesses while conducting resurvey held on 2002 and the collected some relevant documents from the settlement office for ascertain fact and finings etc. however the statutory period of inquiry within the stipulated time could not be able to complete the inquiry due to uncertain prevailing present situation in Manipur since 3rd May of 2023, its causes hardly impede on to the ongoing progress of the inquiry.

Further, as per records available the survey of dispute land was conducted in the year 1990-92 for the past 32 years from now headed by the then Deputy Settlement Officer and Assistant Settlement Officer and Mandal (now retired) and the two main suspected accused persons who were issue the fake fabricated Jamanbandi of the present case of the settlement office staff were also found expired as per police verification report submitted by the concerned Police Station.

Apart from this main documents which were concluded the resurvey of the said land held on 18.10.2022 by settlement office has to be submitted by DC Office, Imphal West have not been furnished till date in spite of several reminders."

4. For the reasons mentioned above, the inquiry officer, Shri L. Shantikumar Singh, Dy. SP. under his application dated 04.10.2023 to the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta has requested the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta to take necessary steps for extension of period of inquiry for another 3 (three) months w.e.f. 07.10.2023.

- 5. After careful consideration of the reasons for extension of the period for preliminary inquiry for another 3 (three) months, we are of the considered view that the period for preliminary inquiry shall be extended for another 3 (three) months i.e. w.e.f. 07.10.2023.
- 6. Registry is directed to furnish a copy of this order to (i) the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta, and (ii) the Inquiry Officer of the present Complaint Case.
- 7. Misc. Case is disposed of accordingly.

Sd/- Sd/- CHAIRPERSON