

**COMPLAINT CASE NO. 6 OF 2021**

**04.10.2023**

[1] This Anticipatory Bail Petition is arising out of FIR No. 3(8)2023 CB-PS U/S 403/406/420/120-B IPC & 13 PC Act of which Shri Shivanand Surve, IPS, SP, Senapati is the Investigating Officer.

[2] It has been brought to the notice of the Lokayukta that several Anticipatory Bail Petitions have been filed by the accused of the FIR registered on the basis of the Preliminary Inquiry Report submitted by the Inquiry Officer of Manipur Lokayukta. It is a routine procedure of the concerned Investigating Officer to deal with the Anticipatory Bail Petition filed by the accused on a particular FIR for which he is the Investigating Officer. Since, the present FIR is at the stage of investigation, the matter is within the purview of the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta. Shri Rarry Mangsatabam, Learned Advocate is appearing for Manipur Lokayukta is all the cases before the High Court of Manipur.

[3] Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta is to ensure that the Anticipatory Bail objection or objections be filed by the Investigating Officer of the particular FIR for which the Anticipatory Bail petition has been filed. It is also made clear that the ground or how the objection is to be filed is to be decided by the Investigating Officer. Manipur Lokayukta is not giving any particular direction in the matter of bail objection petition is to be filed. It is the investigating officer who has to decide as to how the bail objection is to be filed. Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta is to ensure that all the concerned Investigating Officers file the bail objection or take appropriate steps against the Anticipatory Bail petition and also that the Anticipatory Bail petition is allowed by the default for failure to contest or otherwise by the Investigating Officer.

[4] Deputy Registrar, Manipur Lokayukta is directed to communicate this order to the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta as well as to the Investigating Officer. Further, he is directed to take prompt steps on his side to inform the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta for necessary action whenever any copy of Anticipatory Bail Petition is received.

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**MEMBER**

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**CHAIRPERSON**