<u>09.02.2024</u>

1. Complainant appeared in person and submits that he has already filed his written comment to the Preliminary Inquiry Report.

2. It is seen from the Preliminary Inquiry Report that Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West and the Sub-Deputy Collector, Imphal West (Central), Lamphel from whom information was sought by the Inquiry Officer in the course of the Preliminary Inquiry have not furnished any information that is required for addressing the grievances of the complainant. The Complainant submitted his complaint on 18.08.2022, yet after more than one year the Preliminary Inquiry Report has not indicated the most important part of the inquiry i.e. the finding of the Field Survey carried out on 18.10.2022 and the outcome of the survey for rectification of his claim or otherwise about his homestead land under Patta No. 167 (Old) corresponding to Patta No. 74 (New) measuring .0971 hectare instead of .0860 hectare.

3. Section 22 of the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014 provides for any public servant or any other person to produce documents as required by the Inquiry Officer during preliminary inquiry or investigating officer during investigation or Lokayukta. For easy reference Section 22 of the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014 is reproduced hereunder:

> "22. Subject to the provisions of this Act, for the purpose of any preliminary inquiry or investigation, the Lokayukta or the investigating agency, as the case may be, may require any public servant or any other person who, in its opinion, is able to furnish information or produce documents relevant to such preliminary inquiry or investigation, to furnish any such information or produce any such document."

3.1. In exercise of this power, the Lokayukta requires the Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West and the Sub-Deputy Collector, Imphal West (Central), Lamphel to furnish information or produce documents relating to the Field Survey carried out on 18.10.2022 and its final outcome on 19.02.2024.

4. Registry is directed to furnish a copy of this order along with a copy of the Preliminary Inquiry Report to (i) the Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West and (ii) the Sub-Deputy Collector, Imphal West (Central), Lamphel for compliance. Registry is further directed to furnish a copy of this order to the complainant.

5. List this case on **19.02.2024**.

Sd/-MEMBER