

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 6 OF 2021

15.04.2024

1. Perused the office note dated 02.04.2024, wherein it is reported that Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta, vide his letter being No. 9/ML/DIR(INQ)/2021/147 dated 30.03.2024, has requested for replacement of the Investigating Officer, Shri Shivanand Surve, IPS, SP/Churachandpur District FIR No. 3(08)2023 CB PS u/s 403/406/420/120-B IPC & 13 PC Act.

2. Shri Shivanand Surve, IPS, SP/Churachandpur District is conducting the investigation of the present FIR No. 3(08)2023 CB PS u/s 403/406/420/120-B IPC & 13 PC Act in pursuance of order of the Manipur Lokayukta dated 01.08.2023 passed in Complaint Case No. 6 of 2021.

3. The reason for replacement of the present Investigating Officer is clearly mentioned in para No. 2 of the said letter of Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta dated 30.03.2024. The said para i.e. para no. 2, for easy reference, is reproduced hereunder:

“2. IO mentioned in his letter that due to the unfolded incident on 15th Feb, 2024 and threat to life (crippling the movement inter and intra district) and prevailing law and order situation of the state the progress of Investigation of the case has hampered. Further, the MCC for 18th Lok Sabha Election has been enforced and election preparedness in the District. Considering the time bound, IO is not in the position to carry on Investigation to complete in time. ”

3.1. The Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta vide para No. 4 of his letter dated 30.03.2024 has stated as follows:

“4. Police officers who are available for investigation of the case are mentioned below:-

- i) Shri Namsadai Peter, MPS, Addl. SP (L/O), Noney District.
- ii) Shri H. Timothy Maram, MPS, Addl. SP, SDPO, Ukhrol.”

4. After considering the said letter of the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta dated 30.03.2024 and also the reason mentioned therein for replacement of the Investigating Officer, it is felt necessary that the present Investigating Officer, Shri Shivanand Surve, IPS, SP/Churachandpur District is required to be replaced by one of the two officers suggested by the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Officer.

4.1. Therefore, by invoking the power and jurisdiction as provided under Section 28 of the Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014, the service of Shri H. Timothy Maram, MPS, Addl. SP, SDPO, Ukhrul is hereby utilised as Investigating Officer of FIR No. 3(08)2023 CB PS u/s 403/406/420/120-B IPC & 13 PC Act.

5. Registry is directed to send a copy of this order, for information and necessary prompt action, to :

- i) the Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur;
- ii) the Director General of Police, Manipur;
- iii) the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta;
- iv) Shri H. Timothy Maram, MPS,
Addl. SP, SDPO, Ukhrul; and
- v) Shri Shivanand Surve, IPS, SP/Churachandpur
District.

6. Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta is to take prompt action for entrusting the present case i.e. FIR No. 3(08)2023 CB PS u/s 403/406/420/120-B IPC & 13 PC Act to the new Investigating Officer, for continuation of the investigation of the present case so as to submit the investigation report within the period as provided under section 20 (5) of Manipur Lokayukta Act, 2014.

7. Await investigating report.

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MEMBER