	<u>MISC. CASE NO. 4 OF 2024</u> Ref.: Complaint Case No. 3 of 2020 with Complaint Case No. 9 of 2021 (FIR No. 3(2)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC)
<u>20.03.2024</u>	1. Perused the office note dated 20.03.2024 wherein it is reported that Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta under his letter being No. 9/ML/DIR(INQ)/2021 dated 20.03.2024 to the Chairperson, Manipur Lokayukta had requested for extension of the period of investigation of FIR No. 3(2)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC.
	2. Register this as separate Misc. Case.
	3. The grounds for extension, inter alia mentioned in the letter dated 19.03.2024 of the Shri N. Madhunimai Singh, MPS Superintendent of Police Noney District, Manipur Investigating Officer, are that he was appointed as the new Investigating Officer of the aforementioned FIR case on 30.08.2023 by the Office of the Manipur Lokayukta. The previous Investigating Officer Shri Rahul Gupta, IPS, S.P. Tengnoupal District handed over the case record to him only on 19.03.2024. On checking the case record, there are many steps required for completion of the Investigation of the case like examination of witness, spot inspection and empirical analysis etc in connection with the case. Moreover, on checking the case records carefully, the mandatory period of Investigation was ended on 02.01.2024. In the meanwhile, the prevailing volatile ethnic conflict in the state, the upcoming 18 <sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Election, 2024 and many other related law and order matters are to be attended in my capacity as Superintendent of Police, Noney District. Therefore, it is humbly prayed to the Hon'ble Lokayukta to kindly grant extension of the Investigation period for another 5 (five) months w.e.f. 03.01.2024 for the end of justice.
	4. After careful consideration of the reasons for extension of the time frame of the investigation for another 5 (five) months, it is of the considered view that the time frame of investigation of the present FIR No. 3(2)2022 CB-PS u/s 13 PC Act & 120-B/34 IPC shall be extended for another 5 (five) months w.e.f. 03.01.2024. Accordingly, the time of investigation is hereby extended for another 5 (five) months w.e.f. 03.01.2024 with advise that request for further extension will not be readily entertained.
	5. Registry is directed to furnish a copy of this order to (i) the Director (Inquiry), Manipur Lokayukta, and (ii) the Investigating Officer of the present Complaint Case.
	6. Misc. Case is disposed of accordingly.
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