

**LOKPAL OF INDIA**  
**Plot No.6, Institutional Area, Phase-II**  
**Vasant Kunj**  
**New Delhi - 110070**

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Complaint No. : 13/2024

Date : 18.07.2024

Coram : **Shri Justice A.M. Khanwilkar**  
**Chairperson**

**Shri Justice L. Narayana Swamy**  
**Judicial Member**

**Shri Sushil Chandra**  
**Member**

**Shri Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi**  
**Judicial Member**

**Shri Pankaj Kumar**  
**Member**

**Shri Ajay Tirkey**  
**Member**

**ORDER**

In compliance with the Order dated 26.02.2024 and 27.05.2024 of the Full Bench of the Lokpal of India, Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) vide Office Memorandum (OM) No. No.2024/DLH/GNCTD/Lokpal/2-33119 dated 04.07.2024 has submitted the Preliminary Inquiry Report.



2. The complaint had filed a complaint against a senior officer of the Government. The complainant had alleged that the officer concerned purchased agricultural land near Delhi in the name of his wife in October 2003 but did not disclose the same in the Statement of the Immovable Property filed with the respective Government till the year 2022. It has been further alleged that the said officer has managed to get the demarcation plan changed so as to have his land near the main road. The complainant has alleged that the official has misused his official power and got the revenue records changed to his advantage. In support of his allegation, the complainant has attached documents such as a copy of the sale deed in respect of the aforesaid land, copies of the Statement of Immoveable Properties filed by the concerned official for some years, and some document which shows the demarcation plan of the land in question.

3. The Full Bench having perused the complaint and the documents attached with this complaint, vide order dated 26.02.2024 referred the matter to the CVC for conducting a Preliminary Inquiry into the matter under Section 20(1)(a) of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 and to submit a report within the stipulated time.

4. CVC vide OM dated 04.07.2024 has submitted the Preliminary Inquiry Report containing Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) OM dated



03.07.2024 and Government of N.C.T of Delhi (GNCTD) Inquiry Report dated 14.06.2024 and the following facts/observations have been made therein:

*“An inquiry conducted by the Revenue Department of GNCTD revealed that 01 bigha of agricultural land in Goyla Khurd Village, Kapashera Sub Division, Najafgarh, South-West Delhi had indeed been purchased in the name of xxxxx (name redacted for confidentiality) in October, 2003, and the same was mutated by way of sale in her favor vide the Tehsildars’ Order dated 10.09.2004. However, the allegations of tampering of revenue records and modification of the demarcation site plan were found to be unsubstantiated”.*

*“Upon perusal of the inquiry report and the IPR statements submitted by Shri xxxxx (name redacted for confidentiality) from 2011 onward [the IPR statements submitted by IAS officers prior to 2011 are not available on DoP&T’s website], it has been observed that he did not disclose the purchase of the aforesaid 01 bigha of agricultural land in Goyla Khurd village till the year 2022.*



*However, in the IPR-2022 statement [as on 01.01.2023],  
Shri xxxxx (name redacted for confidentiality)  
mentioned about the purchase of land in Najafgarh, Delhi  
in the name of his spouse, in the year 1997-98.”*

5. Comments obtained from the concerned RPS have been incorporated in the Report. That his mother-in-law had purchased two properties, one in his wife's name and the second in his Brother-in-law's name. The documents were in the custody of his Brother-in-law till 2021. The officer has further submitted that this transaction came to his knowledge after the death of his brother-in-law in 2021 when his mother-in-law moved to his house to stay with them. The officer has stated that neither had he paid for or purchased the land nor did he know that the land was in his wife's name till 2021; immediately after knowing the details of this transaction, the details were reflected in his IPR statement for the year 2022.

6. Vide MHA OM No. 1406/76/2022-UTS.I, the Competent Authority has accepted the ground for the delay in intimation of details of the Immovable property purchase.

7. We have perused the Report of MHA and GNCTD submitted by the CVC and the relevant documents on record. We have taken note of



the findings and observations including comments of the Competent Authority stated therein and we agree therewith. Additionally, the Full Bench further noted that the said transaction had happened in the year 2003, i.e. beyond a period of seven years and for that reason also we don't want to take the matter further.

8. Accordingly, no further action is warranted by the Lokpal in this matter and the complaint is disposed of.



Court Master  
Lokpal of India