

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

Complaint No. : C-14/2024

Date : 11.06.2024

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

Shri Justice L. Narayana Swamy
Judicial Member

Shri Justice Sanjay Yadav
Judicial Member

Shri Sushil Chandra
Member

Shri Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi
Judicial Member

Shri Pankaj Kumar
Member

Shri Ajay Tirkey
Member

ORDER

1. This complaint is against a Field Officer of Indian Farmers Fertilizers Co-operative Limited (IFFCO). It has been alleged in the complaint



that the named public servant has refused to give Authority Letter to the complainant to sell the fertilizers inspite of the fact that a Supervisory Officer has given the directions to provide it to the complainant. After considering the complaint, the Full Bench directed that the complaint may be referred to Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) for obtaining the comments of the Chairman, IFFCO, on the allegations mentioned in the complaint.

2. Pursuant to the directions of the Full Bench of Lokpal of India, the CVC vide letter No. 024/LKP/002/25510 dated 29.04.2024 has forwarded the comments of Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, on the basis of Report received from Senior Ex. Director (HR), IFFCO. Further, vide OM dated 06.06.2024, CVC has informed that the report received from IFFCO was issued with the approval of Chairman, IFFCO who is the competent authority in the case.

3. In the Status Report, it has been submitted that the fertiliser relationship/dealership is not given to individuals but only to co-operative societies. It is further mentioned that in spite of informing the complainant that IFFCO does not give retailership/dealership to any individual, the complainant concedingly joined co-operative

society and now wants dealership through the society in his individual name. It was made clear to him that it is only a society who should apply alongwith its Board Resolution and the Authority Letter given in the name of that Co-operative Society and not in the name of any individual.

4. We have considered the Status Report and comments of CVO of Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers. We find that there is no discernible allegation of corruption within the meaning of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against the alleged public servant. Therefore, no further action is required in this case and the complaint is disposed of accordingly.

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(Court Master)

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