

LOKPAL OF INDIA

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

Complaint No. : 15/2023

Date : 8th February, 2023

Coram : **Justice Pradip Kumar Mohanty**
Acting Chairperson

Justice Abhilasha Kumari
Judicial Member

Smt. Archana Ramasundaram
Member

Shri Mahender Singh
Member

Dr.Indrajeet Prasad Gautam
Member

ORDER

The matter has arisen from the complaint filed by a resident of Village Noorpur, District Prayagraj (Uttar Pradesh).

2. The complaint has been made against the Gram Panchayat Adhikari and the Gram Pradhan of the said village, levelling a series of allegations relating to financial irregularities and misuse of funds sanctioned towards development of the said village under MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) Scheme.

3. The complainant has alleged that payments were made relating to certain developmental works for which substandard materials were used. It has also

been alleged that payments were made to a large number of people without their actually having worked.

4. From the perusal of the complaint and the documents enclosed, it appears that the complainant has filed his complaint with several other authorities but no inquiry/investigation has been done. Hence, the complainant has requested for intervention of the Lokpal of India. As the allegation is against the said Gram Pradhan and Gram Panchayat Adhikari functioning in the state of Uttar Pradesh, the complaint does not appear to fall under the jurisdiction of the Lokpal of India.

5. The Full Bench is of the view that the complaint, along with enclosures, be forwarded to the Hon'ble Lokayukta, Uttar Pradesh for such action, as deemed fit.

6. The Registry of the Lokpal of India is directed to do the needful.

7. Accordingly, the complaint stands disposed of. The complainant is at liberty to pursue the matter with the office of the Hon'ble Lokayukta, Uttar Pradesh/ authorities concerned.

