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

Complaint Nos.

170/2023

Date

27th September, 2023.

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Justice Pradip Kumar Mohanty Hon'ble Acting Chairperson

Justice Abhilasha Kumari Judicial Member

Shri Dinesh Kumar Jain

Member

Smt. Archana Ramasundaram

Member

Shri Mahender Singh,

Member.

ORDER

Perused the complaint.

2. This complaint has been forwarded to the Lokpal of India by the office of the Hon'ble UpLokayukta, Uttar Pradesh. The complaint is regarding the alleged misuse/diversion of funds/grant, provided by the Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF), (funded by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India), New Delhi to an NGO named M/s Rashtriya Shiksha Samiti, Ghazipur, Uttar Pradesh. It is stated in the complaint that the MAEF had made a grant of Rs. 10,00,000/- [rupees ten lakhs] during 2007-08 for the construction of a school building. However, this amount was not used for the construction of the building but was misused for personal and other purposes by the Institution Manager (Sansatha Prabandhak). A Committee

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was formed to look into the matter after a complaint was filed by the complainant in this regard. It is further alleged by the complainant that there was connivance between the Institution Manager (Sansatha Prabandhak) and the Members of the Committee, which resulted in a one-sided finding. The complainant was never heard and his allegations were not considered. He has prayed that appropriate action be taken against the five members of the Committee who are named in the complaint.

- 3. After perusal and consideration of the material on record, the Full Bench is of the view that the matter requires further consideration. However, it may not be possible for the Lokpal of India to proceed in the matter in view of Section 53 of the Act. Therefore, the matter is sent to Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs, for necessary action, at their end.
- 4. The Registry shall supply all necessary papers to the Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- 5. The matter stands disposed of.

COURT MASTER, LOKPAL OF INDIA.