

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

**Complaint No.** :212/2024 (arising out of Dy.No.2362024)

**Date** : 18.10.2024

**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. The complaint dated 05.10.2024 has been received through the Lokpal Online Portal.



2. The complaint is against the Joint Director of Information Education and Communication, National Aids Control Organisation (IEC NACO), and at the relevant time of the commission of the alleged offence was working as Director General of Doordarshan.
3. It is noted by the Scrutiny Branch that the duly signed complaint form has not been enclosed.
4. Ordinarily, we would have granted time to the complainant to cure the defects. However, no fruitful purpose would be served by giving time, as it is noticed from the complaint that the thrust of the allegation is about the events, which occurred in the year 1998 and continued till 2001.
5. Further, the complainant has also adverted to the fact that some investigation had been conducted by the Maharashtra Police and another case was registered by the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture Special Cell, Vigyan Bhawan, Delhi for the offence u/s 120-B, r/w 420, IPC and 13(2) r/w 13(1) of the PC Act against the Producer and also against the unknown officials of Ministry of Culture. Even the chargesheet came to be filed by the CBI in RC-DAI/2015-A-0030 dated 9.10.2015 for commission of offence u/s 420, 406, 468/471 of IPC.

6. In other words, the allegations regarding commission of offence of corruption pertains to a period beyond seven years, in respect of which the Lokpal is not competent to take cognizance in light of Section 53 of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013.
7. Hence, this complaint is disposed of being barred by limitation.

**Sd/-**  
**(Justice A.M. Khanwilkar)**  
**Chairperson**

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**(Justice L Narayana Swamy)**  
**Judicial Member**

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**Member**

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**(Ajay Tirkey)**  
**Member**

  
**(Court Master)**

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