

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

Complaint No. : 2390 & 2471/2022

Date : 18th January, 2023.

Coram : **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

Dr. Indrajeet P. Gautam
Member

ORDER

The complaints were perused by the Full Bench of Lokpal on 25.04.2022. By an Order of that date, the Full Bench had observed that these complaints pertain to an act of corruption and directed the CVC to make an inquiry into the matter and file a report within a period of six weeks. After availing extension of time for submitting the report, the CVC, vide letter dated 06.09.2022 submitted the Status Report enclosing therewith a Report of the CVO, Department of Commerce. It has been concluded in the Inquiry Report that the licenses were issued after following the policy and procedures outlined in DGFT Notification No.25/2015/20 dated 10.08.2020 and clarification of DGFT (HQ) provided vide letter dated 07.12.2020

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It also came to notice that some complaints were earlier received in the office of Lokpal and were registered as Complaint No.2309/2022 and 2310/2022. Those complaints were perused by the Full Bench of Lokpal on 31.03.2022. By an Order of that date, the Hon'ble Full Bench had directed that the matter may be referred to CBI for making a Preliminary Inquiry under Section 20(1)(a) of the Lokpal & Lokayuktas Act, 2013 and submit a report within four weeks i.e. on or before 10.05.2022. In compliance with the said Order, the CBI, vide letter dated 29.08.2022 submitted report of the Preliminary Inquiry conducted by them. In the said Inquiry Report, it has been concluded that no irregularities have been committed in the issuance of licenses for import of gold. The allegation of demand of money by the concerned public servant could also not be substantiated.

In view of the Inquiry Report of the CBI and the Status Report submitted by CVC, we are not inclined to pass any further order in the matter.

Accordingly, the complaint stands disposed of.

