LOKPAL OF INDIA

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

Complaint No.

35 / 2024

Date

2nd April, 2024

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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

The complaint is placed before the Full Bench for consideration of the Scrutiny Report and to pass appropriate order.

- 2. Perused the Scrutiny Report. We are disposed to condone the remarks made by the office in this report and entertain the complaint.
- 3. The complaint has been made against (i) Executive Engineer, UP Jal Nigam and
- (ii) Municipal Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Mathura.

- 4. The complainant has alleged irregularities in the construction work of drinking water pipeline and overhead tank carried out by the Jal Nigam, Uttar Pradesh in Ward-51/52, Chandrapuri Colony Municipal Corporation, Mathura by aforesaid public servants. Further, the complainant has alleged that the aforesaid public servants have committed irregularities while undertaking construction of Mathura Punargathan Peyjal Yojana under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), New Gokul Barrage (Part I), Zone 2, Dhauli Pyau and Pipeline Distribution System of Chandrapuri Colony, Natwar Nagar Colony, Moti Kunj Colony, Dhauli Pyau and Shiropari Jalashay (Tank) etc.
- 5. The complainant alleges that there are leaks in the overhead tank and frequent disruption in the water supply due to poor quality of the pipeline laid as a result of which the general public is being deprived of the benefits of regular and uninteruppted water supply. The complainant further states that despite these issues, the Municipal Corporation has been collecting water tax for the past three years. Further, the complainant has attached several documents, including the letters written by her to the concerned public authorities, disposal report of Mathura Nagar Nigam, copies of newspaper clippings etc.
- 6. Although the complainant has filled in the details regarding the name, address etc. the same could not be verified as no identity / address proof was found enclosed with the complaint. Further, the complainant has not given a list / particulars of documents relied upon.
- 7. The issue involved in the matter relates to irregularities in the construction work of drinking water pipeline and overhead tank carried out by Jal Nigam, Uttar Pradesh. The redressal of the grievance of the complaint does not lie in the domain of the Lokpal of

India, as the complaint is not against public servants covered under Section 14(1) of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013. Hence, no order needs to be passed in the matter. However, it is open to the complainant to approach the appropriate Authority/Forum, if she so desires.

8. Accordingly, the complaint stands disposed of.

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