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

Complaint No.

4373/2022

Date

05th January, 2023

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Shri Justice Pradip Kumar Mohanty

Acting Chairperson

Shri Dinesh Kumar Jain

Member

Smt. Archana Ramasundaram

Member

Shri Mahender Singh

Member

Dr.Indrajeet Prasad Gautam

Member

<u>ORDER</u>

Perused the complaint.

- 2. As the complaint sent via an email dated March 21, 2022 along with enclosures addressed to Lokpal of India was not in the format prescribed under the relevant rules, the complainant was informed by way of an email dated March 23, 2022 to file his complaint as per the format prescribed. However, the complainant has not done this so far. Despite this, in the interest of justice, it was decided to take up the complaint and decide it on merits.
- 3. The complainant has alleged that Sarpanch and Gram/Block Development Officer of Bhiyasar Gram Panchayat, Ghatiyali Panchayat Samiti of Jodhpur District are involved in corruption by falsification of official records and embezzlement of funds of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS). From the complaint, it is seen that a copy of the complaint is marked to the Hon'ble Union Home Minister, Hon'ble Union Minister of Panchayati Raj, Enforcement Directorate.

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- 4. The complainant has requested to conduct a high-level inquiry into this matter and to recover the embezzled amount. The complainant has also sought to take legal action against those who are involved in the corruption and embezzlement of government funds.
- 5. The complaint has been considered by the Full Bench. The Bench decided to refer the matter to the Secretary, Department of Rural Development (DoRD), Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India for necessary action at their end.
- 6. Registry, Lokpal of India is directed to take action accordingly.
- 7. The complaint is accordingly disposed of.

