

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

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Complaint No. : 4490/2022

Date : 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023

**Coram** : **Shri Justice Pradip Kumar Mohanty**  
**Acting Chairperson**

**Smt. Justice Abhilasha Kumari**  
**Judicial Member**

**Shri Dinesh Kumar Jain**  
**Member**

**Smt. Archana Ramasundaram**  
**Member**

**Shri Mahender Singh**  
**Member**

**Dr.Indrajeet Prasad Gautam**  
**Member**

**ORDER**

Perused the complaint.

2. The complainant has filed this complaint in Marathi. Although some deficiencies were noticed in the complaint, it was decided to consider the same and take a decision thereupon on the merits of the case.
3. The complainant appears to be a small/marginal farmer in Aurangabad District of Maharashtra. From the papers filed with the complaint, it appears that he had got approved, construction of an irrigation well on his farm under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment

Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS). Further, the complainant has mentioned that the work, viz., irrigation well has been completed and an amount of Rs.1,26,705/- has been remitted by way of a fund transfer order to Gram Panchayat Murma, Taluk Paithan, District Aurangabad on 31.03.2019. The complainant's grievance is that he was paid only Rs.4,260/- and despite repeated follow up the remaining amount has not been paid to him. The complainant has furnished the break up of his expenditure. He has also alleged that the Sarpanch and Gram Sevak have paid this amount to those people/vendors who have neither supplied any goods for the construction of the well nor have worked for construction of the well. He has claimed that all the expenditure has been done by him and he has enclosed some evidence to support his claim. In essence, he is alleging that Sarpanch and Gram Sevak have fraudulently paid this amount to those who didn't supply any material nor worked on construction.

4. From the papers attached with the complaint, it is seen that the complainant had approached the Grievance Redressal Authority, District Aurangabad (Ombudsman NREGA, Aurangabad) who by way of an Award dated 04.02.2020, has held that the amount due to mason and suppliers of material for the complainant's well, have been paid by way of cheques. The Ombudsman has further recorded that the concerned Gram Panchayat has observed full transparency in the process and the demand of the complainant is not correct.

5. The Ombudsman order also states that if the complainant is not satisfied with the aforesaid order, he may file an appeal with the Appellate Tribunal.

6. We have gone through the papers annexed with the complaint. The matter is related to payments to be made under a Government Scheme which is implemented by the officials of the State Government. The grievances of the complainant has been dealt with by a Redressal Authority by way of an award and if the complainant is not satisfied with the award, he is at liberty to avail of the appeal provisions.

7. In view of the above, we do not feel any necessity to issue any order in this case. The complaint may be referred to Hon'ble Lokayukta, Maharashtra State for necessary action at their end.

8. Registry, Lokpal of India is directed to take action accordingly.

9. Accordingly, the complaint is disposed of.



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