

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

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Complaint No. : 4520/2022

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Dr. Indrajeet P Gautam**  
**Member**

**ORDER**

Perused the complaint.

The complainant has alleged that the named public servant who was posted as DG and Secretary (Mines and Geology), Govt. of Haryana at the relevant time had demanded and taken Rs.15 lakh from the complainant for allowing his company to continue his business. The complainant has alleged that concerned public servant is again demanding further money for uninterrupted usage of mining dealership licenses of the complainant's company. The complainant has enclosed transcript of whatsapp conversation with the named public servant.

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The named public servant was working with the State Govt. at the relevant time. The complaint is, therefore, outside the purview of the Lokpal as mandated in the provisions of Lokpal & Lokayuktas Act, 2013. However, in view of the serious nature of the complaint alleging demand and acceptance of bribe by a senior Govt. officer of the State Govt., the Full Bench of Lokpal is of the view that the complaint along with copy of the transcript may be sent to Hon'ble Lokayukta, Govt. of Haryana for taking necessary action in the matter.

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