

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

Complaint No. : 60/2024

Date : 19th April, 2024

Coram : **Shri Justice A.M. Khanwilkar**
Chairperson

Shri Justice L. Narayana Swamy
Judicial Member

Shri Sushil Chandra
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.



3. The complaint dated 14.03.2024 has been received through LokpalOnline portal but the physical copy of the same has not been received yet. Since parts of the complaint form are generated by the LokpalOnline portal the complaint was unsigned. A physical copy of the complaint has not been received so far in the Registry of the Lokpal of India.

4. We deem it appropriate to condone the remarks made by the Scrutiny Report.

5. The complaint is filed before the Lokpal of India on behalf of a company (named in the complaint) against the Deputy Director, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Jharkhand. The complainant has alleged that his company was unfairly rejected in the bid process despite qualifying and fulfilling the requirements for a coaching institute for the Eklavya Prashikshan Yojana (EPY) and Mukhyamantri Shiksha Protsahan Yojana (MSPY) of the Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Jharkhand. The complainant has raised concerns about the transparency and accountability of the selection process. He has also alleged that others who were empanelled were not meeting the requirements.

6. Having perused the complaint it is found that the public servant against whom the complaint is being made is working in the affairs of the State Government of Jharkhand and the complaint is not against a public servant within the purview of Section 14 of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013. Therefore, the Lokpal has no



jurisdiction and hence, the complaint is being disposed of accordingly. The complainant is at liberty to approach the appropriate authority for redressal of his grievance, if he so desires.



Court Master