

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

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**Complaint No.** : 66/2024

**Date** : 14.06.2024

**Coram** : **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**

1. In furtherance to order dated 19.04.2024 Director, Central Vigilance Commission has filed a preliminary inquiry report as received by him from



Ministry of Education which as stated is a report from Additional Secretary (Education), who was assigned the task of conducting preliminary inquiry.

2. The preliminary inquiry report dwells upon the allegations made by the complainant which were in regard to :

- I. Non-payment of salary and regularization of services.
- II. Alleged obstruction of investigation by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) caused by Member Secretary, AICTE, New Delhi by issuing Gazette Notification No.F/No.1-103/AICTE/PGRC/Regulation/2021 dated 22.03.2021.
- III. The faculties at Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Anantapur (JNTUA) College of Engineering, Kalikiri, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh - 85% of them are Ad-hoc faculties and are deprived of activities aimed at socio-economic and sustainable development.
- IV. Submission of false data to AICTE by JNTUA University for getting extension of approval viz.-
  - a) Food Technology course is available at the University. However, the same is not approved by AICTE.
  - b) Further, the University has included adhoc faculties while submission of data to AICTE.

- c) Copies of AICTE approval are not on the website of institution.
- d) Post Office is not there at the University.
- e) Public Announcement System – no Radio Broadcasting Station.
- f) Participation in Unnat Bharat Abhiyan/Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana.
- g) Participation in Innovation ranking.
- h) Innovation Cell/Club.

V. Non-Payment of salary as per present Pay Commission.

VI. Non-payment of salary to faculty members for more than 12 months.

3. As apparent from the preliminary inquiry report that the aforesaid allegations have been inquired into by the Additional Secretary (Education), whereon following findings are recorded respectively:-

Complaint No.	Gist of Allegation	Finding of the Organization (Recommendation of CVO)	Ref Page On report	Systematic Improvement Proposed
Hon'ble Bench of Lokpal of India Complaint No. 66/2024 filed by Mr. XXXXXXXX	Grievances regarding non-payment of salary and regularization of services.	Since this is a State university, AICTE has no role to play in any agreement between two entities	1-2	NIL

<p>referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no. 09/Economic Offence/09 dated 23.03.24-page no.7)</p>		<p>until it is against "Public Policy". Therefore, the allegation may be dropped.</p>		
<p>Hon'ble Bench of Lokpal of India Complaint No. 66/2024 filed by Mr. <b>XXXXXXXX</b> referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no. 09/Economic offence/09 dated 23.03.24- page no.2)</p>	<p>The Member Secretary, AICTE, New Delhi obstructs the enquiry with Gazette notification F/No.1-103/AICTE/PGRC/Regulation /2021 dated 22.03.2021. CBI has every right to investigate regarding violation of AICTE under approval Process Handbook (APH) 2019-20 Clause 2.3.11 which is reproduced as below:</p> <p>Institution/Trust/Society/Company or a Member belonging to these, if charge-sheeted, Extension of Approval to such institution shall not be withheld on the basis of charge-sheet filed by CBI. AICTE shall consider the grant of extension of approval on its merit after looking into material collected by CBI in the Investigation and shall conduct scrutiny of documents, Expert Visit Committee and Standing</p>	<p>The allegation is vague. There is no provision of handing over the cases of Institutes to CBI, until CBI takes up the matter suo-moto or there is gross misconduct as accepted by the competent authority. Therefore, the allegation may be dropped.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>NIL</p>



	Appellate Committee as required.			
Hon'ble Bench of Lokpal of India Complaint No.66/2024 filed Mr. XXXXXXXX referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no.09/Economic Offence/09 dated 23.03.2024 – page no.3)	The faculties at JNTUA College of Engineering – 85% of them are Ad-hoc faculties and deprived of activities aimed at socio economic and sustainable development.	There is no role of AICTE in the matter, since the appointment and other administrative issues are College's internal or at best government by the concerned University. Allegation may be dropped.	4	NIL
Hon'ble Bench of Lokpal of India Complaint No.66/2024 filed by Mr. XXXX referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no.09/Economic Offence/09 dated 23.03.2024 – page No.4)	<p>Submission of False data to AICTE by JNTUA University for getting extension of approval viz.</p> <p>a)Food Technology course is available at the University. However, the same is not approved by AICTE.</p> <p>b)Further, the University has included adhoc faculties while submission of data to AICTE.</p> <p>c)Copies of AICTE approval are not on the website of institution.</p> <p>d)Post Office is not there at the University.</p> <p>e)Public Announcement System – no Raido Broadcasting Station.</p> <p>f)Participation in Unnat Bharat Abhiyan/Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana.</p>	Allegations are not substantiated except allegation at point C. In the matter, College is being directed to upload the copy of AICTE approval. Subject to this, the allegation may be dropped.	5	NIL

	g)Participation in Innovation ranking. h)Innovation Cell/Club.			
Hon'ble Bench of Lokpol of India Complaint No.66/2024 filed by Mr. XXXXX referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no.09/Economic Offence/09 dated 23.03.2024 – page No.5)	Payment of salary as per present Pay Commission	It is the matter of State University and not under the purview of AICTE. Therefore, the allegation may be dropped.	6.	NIL
Hon'ble Bench of Lokpol of India Complaint No.66/2024 filed by Mr. XXXXXI referred from office of Lokpal (Ref: letter no.09/Economic Offence/09 dated 23.03.2024 -- page No.6)	Non-payment of salary to faculty members for more than 12 months.	The issue of Student Faculty Ratio (SFR) has been addressed in the affidavit submitted by Principal of the institute. The allegation may be dropped.	7	NIL

4. Apparent it is from findings recorded in the preliminary inquiry report that the allegations in the complaint have not been substantiated. Further, there is no allegation of any public servant having indulged in the offence of corruption.



5. In view whereof the complaint is devoid of merit and therefore, cannot be carried forward. Consequently, the complaint is disposed of.

6. The matter is finally disposed of.

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 **(Court Master)**