

Lokpal of India
Plot No.6, Vasant Kunj Institutional Area – Phase-II
New Delhi – 110070

Complaint No. : 88/2024(arising out of Dy.No.822024)
Date : 03.05.2024.
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. The Registry has placed this matter with Scrutiny Report, dated 26.04.2024, for our consideration, mentioning that the complaint, as filed, is defective including that no physical copy of the complaint has been received in the Registry. We

proceed to condone the defects, noted in the Scrutiny Report and instead consider the complaint on its own merit.

2. We have perused the complaint and the accompanying documents. Although, the complainant has mentioned (in Part-C of the complaint) that the complaint is against the Governor, RBI, no allegation of corruption against the RBI Governor is noticed from the complaint, filed Online.
3. The thrust of the allegations is against the officials of HDFC Bank on account of delay in processing the cheque of the complainant. The details about the correspondence ensued between the complainant and the officials and the HDFC Bank are copiously adverted to. Taking those allegations at its face value and as it is, in our opinion, no allegation is found in the complaint which is indicative of commission of offence of corruption within the meaning of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against any particular official as such. The grievance is essentially about the lackadaisical manner of processing the cheque and the delay occurring on account of such lapses. That can be a case of mishandling or at best negligence of the concerned officer. We may not be understood to have expressed any opinion on this aspect.



4. Suffice it to observe that the complaint palpably lacks allegations of public servant having indulged in corruption within the meaning of PC Act,1988. Hence, this complaint cannot proceed further and the same is being disposed of.

5. Ordered accordingly.


(Court Master)