

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

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Complaint No(s). : 91/2023

Date : 31<sup>st</sup> May, 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**

**ORDER**

Perused the complaint.


2. The complaint was received through Lokpal Online on 13.04.2023. The complainant has alleged irregularities in the implementation of a government welfare scheme namely the National Food Security Act (NFSA), i.e. PM Garib Anna Yojna and Rajya Khadya Suraksha Yojana which are meant for the poor people. The complainant has alleged that the Ration Shop dealer of Fair Price Shop No.108 and Rationing Officer of Ration Office Barrackpore, West Bengal are involved in corruption and are issuing Digital Ration Cards under NFSA without submission of required documents to families not eligible and are illegally providing food grains – rice, wheat, sugar, pulses, etc. to people not eligible.

3. It is seen that the complainant had addressed this complaint to the Department of Food and Public Distribution in the Government of India also and the concerned Department has forwarded his complaint to the State Government, as the subject matter relates to the State Government. The complainant has also been accordingly intimated by the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Government of India.



4. Having perused the complaint, the Bench is of the view that, *prima-facie*, the subject matter of the complaint falls in the purview of State Government and is not covered by the mandate provided to the Lokpal under the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013. Therefore, no order needs to be passed in this matter. The Bench also observed that the concerned Department in Government of India is already seized of the matter and the complainant may pursue his complaint with them or any other forum for redressal of his grievance.

5. The complaint is accordingly disposed of.

  
Court Master  
Lokpal of India

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