

भारत के लोकपाल Lokpal of India

> 6, Vasant Kunj Institutional Area, Phase-II, New Delhi-110070 Dated 24th August, 2022. **No**- F-12016/28/2022-Lokpal

NOTICE

Subject: Decision of Hon'ble Full Bench regarding complaints received in the office of Lokpal of India.

Vide Gazette Notification dated 02.03.2020, the Central Government notified the Lokpal (Complaint) Rules, 2020 which prescribe the form in which a complaint shall be filed with the Lokpal of India.

2. In accordance with these Rules, Lokpal of India had issued a circular (Circular No. 01/2021) on 28.07.2021 detailing the procedure to be followed for dealing with the complaints received in the office of Lokpal.

3. Subsequently, vide a corrigendum dated 10.02.2022, it was decided that complaints that are not in the prescribed form shall be put up before the Hon'ble Chairperson for necessary orders/action.

4. The provisions contained in the Corrigendum dated 10.02.2022 have been revisited by the Full Bench of Lokpal. The Full Bench of Lokpal of India has decided that henceforth (with immediate effect) complaints received (by any mode viz. by hand/ by post/ through email etc.) in the office of the Lokpal of India that are not in the prescribed form will not be processed further for any order u/s 20 of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act 2013.

5. In view of the above and as a last opportunity, the complainants who had previously filed complaints that were not in the prescribed form, may file their complaint in the prescribed form [annexed with the Lokpal (Complaint) Rules, 2020, which is available on the website of the Lokpal of India i.e. <u>https://lokpal.gov.in</u>] latest by 15.09.2022. Upon expiry of this period, complaints filed in the prescribed form only and received in the office of Lokpal of India will be taken up on record for further disposal. No action u/s 20 of the Act will be taken on complaints that are not filed in the prescribed form.

6. Accordingly, the Corrigendum dated 10.02.2022 to Circular No. 01/2021 dated 28.07.2021, stands withdrawn.

7. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

(Arvind Mishra) **Deputy Registrar** Lokpal of India 4.0R.2022

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(1) To all the concerned (through the website of Lokpal of India)

Copy to:

- (1) Sr. PPS to the Hon'ble Acting Chairperson, Lokpal of India (for kind information)
- (2) Sr. PPS/ PPS to all the Hon'ble Members, Lokpal of India (for kind information)
- (3) PPS to the Secretary, Lokpal of India (for kind information)
- (4) PPS to the Joint Secretary, Lokpal of India (for kind information)
- (5) Shri Deepak Goel, Scientist 'G', NIC (with the request to upload a copy of this notice on the website of Lokpal of India)
- (6) The Under Secretary/Section Officer/ ASOs, Registry Wing, Lokpal of India.