

KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA

Compt/Uplok/GLB-2005/2016/ARE-5

M.S.Building,
Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Road,
Bangalore,
dt: 07.02.2018

**REPORT U/S 12(1) OF THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA ACT,
1984**

Sub: For taking action to clear the encroachment over lake area that is Katlakur Lake, Ganamur lake, Chandrabanda lake, Palavaladoddi lake and to take action to prevent the removal of soil from Sy.No.268/2, 302/2, 306, 299, 271, 270 and 276 of Katlatkur and Sy.No.330 Vadagandoddi of Raichur Taluk by the private persons. - reg.

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1. On the basis of complaint filed by Sri.Kariyappa Rangoli, Assistant Secretary, Karnataka Dalitha Sangharsha Samithi, Raichur, H.No.77, Harijanavada, Chandrabanda, Raichur Taluk (hereinafter referred to as 'complainant' for short) against (1)M.I. Shahanoor, Tahsildar Raichur Taluk, (Retd), (2) Venu Madhava, Nada Tahsildar, Chandrabanda Hobli, Raichur Taluk, (3)B.Hanumantha Reddy, Revenue Officer, Chandrabanda Hobli, Raichur Taluk (Retd.) (4) Paguntappa, Village Accountant Katlakur Village, Raichur Taluk (Retired), and (5) Sarfanisa Begum, PDO, Chandrabanda Grama Panchayath, Raichuru District(hereinafter referred to as Respondent No.1 to 5 respectively) an investigation was taken up by invoking section 9 of Karnataka Lokayukta Act. It is alleged in the Complaint that Sy.Nos.243 measuring 5 acres 22 guntas and Sy.No.244 measuring 10 acres 14 guntas situated in Katlatkur, Kadaganadoddi are Government lands. Some

private persons are removing black soil from the said land illegally and manufacturing bricks. Since 7 to 8 years they are removing black soil worth about Rs.50 to Rs.60 lakhs every year and Respondents have not taken any action to prevent illegal removing of soil.

2. Report was called for from S.P., Lokayukta, Raichur on the Complaint. Investigation is conducted by Police Inspector, Lokayukta, Raichur (I.O. for short) on the instructions of S.P. Lokayukta, Raichur and the I.O. has submitted report dt: 9.3.2017.

3. The report of I.O disclose that:

i) Private persons are using their agricultural lands for commercial purpose without permission from the competent authority in Katlatkur village and no action is taken against them.

ii) Soil is removed in about 190 acres of land from Katlatkur lake, Ganamur lake, Chandrabanda lake, Palavaladoddi lake and other places by private persons for manufacturing bricks. But no action is taken against them.


4. Respondent No.1 has submitted comments stating that proposal was sent to the Dy. Commissioner to take action against persons removing soil from the lake.

5. Respondent No.2 to 4 have submitted separate comments stating that they have furnished the documents to the Tahsildar, Raichur in respect of Complaint allegations and the

Tahsildar, Raichur has submitted report to the Dy. Commissioner, Raichur.

6. In view of report of I.O. which prima facie show inaction on the part of Respondents -1 to 4 to prevent encroachment over Government land and lakes and illegal removal of soil from Government land and lakes, this report is made under Section 12(1) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act to the Government to direct the authorities concerned to clear the encroachment over the lakes of Chandrabanda Hobli, Raichur Taluk and to direct the competent authority to take action to prevent the removal of soil from Sy.Nos.268/2, 302/2, 306, 299, 271, 270 and 276 of Katlatkur and Sy.No.330 Vadagandoddi of Chandrabanda Hobli, Raichur Taluk and take action against persons who have removed soil illegally in accordance with law.

7. The Competent Authority shall take steps to implement this report within a period of one month from the date of this report and shall submit action taken report in this regard as provided under Section 12(2) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act.


(Justice N.ANANDA)
Upalokayukta-1, 7/2
KARNATAKA STATE,
BENGALURU.

