### Chapter-1

#### INTRODUCTION

### PROVISION OF LAW UNDER WHICH THIS REPORT IS MADE

Section 12(6) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act' for short) requires the Lokayukta to present annually a Consolidated Report on the performance of his functions and that of the Upalokayuktas under the Karnataka Lokayukta Act to His Excellency the Governor of Karnataka. Accordingly, this report is presented for the 34th year of the establishment of the Karnataka Lokayukta.

### 1) PERIOD OF THE REPORT:

This report pertains 35<sup>th</sup> Year of the functions of Karnataka Lokayukta for the financial year 2020-21, i.e., for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

# 2) NAMES OF HON'BLE LOKAYUKTA AND UPALOKAYUKTAS, WHO FUNCTIONED DURING THE YEAR:

The present report refers to the functions performed by;

- (1) Hon'ble Justice Sri. P. Vishwanatha Shetty, Lokayukta,
- (2) Hon'ble Justice Sri. N. Ananda, Upalokayukta (till 16/12/2020), and
- (3) Hon'ble Justice Sri. B.S.Patil, Upalokayukta.

#### 3. OBJECTIVES OF THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA ACT:

The Act is enacted under Karnataka Act No. 4 of (1)1985 the Karnataka State Legislature by on the recommendations of the Administrative Reforms Commission for setting up the institution of Lokayukta for the purpose of improving the standards of public administration, by looking into the complaints against administrative actions, including the cases of corruption, favouritism and official indiscipline in the administrative machinery. The Act was first published in

the Karnataka Gazette, Extraordinary on the Twenty-Eighth day of January, 1985 and which has received the assent of the President on the Sixteenth day of January, 1985.

(2) The Act makes provision for the appointment and functions of Lokayukta and Upalokayuktas for making enquiries into administrative action related to matters specified in List II or List III of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution taken by or on behalf of the Government of Karnataka or certain public authorities in the State of Karnataka, including any omission or commission in connection with or arising out of such action, in certain cases and matters connected therewith or ancillary thereto.

#### 4. FUNCTIONS OF LOKAYUKTA & UPALOKAYUKTAS:

The (1)functions of Hon'ble Lokayukta and Upalokayukta under the Act mainly relates to the redressal of grievance as defined under sub-section 8 of Section 2 of the Act and mal-administration under sub-section 10 of Section 2 of the Act. A public servant has been defined under sub-section 12 of Section 2 of the Act. The Hon'ble Lokayukta and Upalokayuktas are conferred with the power of investigating the allegations of mal-administration made against public servants, who fall within their jurisdiction. The mal-administration within the meaning as set out under sub-section 10 of Section 2 of the Act includes not only corruption, but also any action of administrative lapses or negligence, etc. For the sole object of improving the state administration and to enforce transparency and probity in the state administration wide powers have been conferred on the Lokayukta and Upalokayukta to conduct investigations in respect of the public servants who fall under their jurisdiction. The power of investigation includes if on an investigation either the Lokayukta or Upalokayukta find that

certain public servant has committed offences of corruption as set out in the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (herein after referred to as 'PC Act' for short) or responsible for maladministration either the Lokayukta or Upalokayukta can direct initiation of criminal prosecution against such public servant under Section 14 of the Act notwithstanding the constitution of Anti Corruption Bureau by the State Government. In addition to criminal prosecution whenever a complaint is received against the public servant alleging mal-administration an investigation is being held if necessary with the assistance of the Police Wing of the Lokayukta or the Technical Wing of the Lokayukta or any other investigating agency and on such investigation if investigation report prima-facie discloses commission of offence under the PC Act or mal-administration of any other nature which falls under Section 2(10) of the Act, a report would be sent to the competent authority under Section 12(3) of the Act. Similarly, such investigation also can be conducted either by the Lokayukta or Upalokayukta if a reference is made to them by the State Government under Section 7(2A) of the Act. Apart from initiation of proceedings or prosecution on erring government servants, the Lokayukta or Upalokayuktas also can issue appropriate direction to the competent authority under Section 12(1) of the Act for redressal of the grievance. Further, in addition to the direction given under Section 12(1) of the Act, whenever there is deficiency in redressing the grievance of public and such grievances are brought to the notice of Lokayukta either directly or through some representatives/petitioners or through the Police Wing of Lokayukta, those grievances are brought to the notice of public servants who are required to redress the grievances and wherever it is possible such grievances are redressed without loss of time, without formally registering the complaints for the purpose of investigation.

(2)The Institution of Lokayukta, therefore, has proved to be an effective watch dog against injustice being caused to the citizens, and also last ray of hope available to the public to ventilate their grievances against corruption, maladministration and administrative lapses in the State Machinery. In certain suitable cases, this institution has also by way of recommendation to Government is suggesting remedial actions to establish good governance.

### 5. JURISDICTION OF LOKAYUKTA AND UPA-LOKAYUKTAS:

- According to Section 7 (1) of the Act, the Lokayukta (1)has jurisdiction over any action taken by or with the approval of the Chief Minister, any other Minister or Secretary or a Member of the State Legislature or any other public servant notified by the State Government. Further, the State Legislature has amended the Lokayukta Act by Act No.25 of 2010 and according to which, the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman (by whatever name called) or a member of an Authority, Board or Committee, a Statutory or Non-statutory Body or a Corporation, established by or under any Law of the State Legislature including a Society, Co-operative Society or a Government company within the meaning of Section 617 of the Companies Act, 1956, nominated by the State Government, comes within the jurisdiction of Lokayukta. Further, all public servants holding a post of pay carrying either a fixed pay, salary or remuneration of more than Rs.74,400/- per month or a pay scale, the minimum of which is more than Rs.74,400/- as revised from time to time, come within the jurisdiction of Lokayukta.
- (2) According to Section 7(2) of the Act, an Upalokayukta may investigate any action which is taken by or with the general or specific approval of any public servant, not being the Chief Minister, Minister, Member of the State

Legislature, Secretary or other public servant referred to subsection (1) of Section 7, in any case where a complaint involving a grievance or an allegation is made in respect of such action or such action can be or could have been, in the opinion of the Upalokayukta recorded in writing, the subject matter of a grievance or an allegation.

(3) Further, according to Section 7(2A) of the Act, the State Government may refer matters to the Lokayukta or an Upalokayukta for conducting investigation and report.

# 6. BRANCHES/WINGS IN THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA INSTITUTION:

- (1) The following Branches/Wings exist at present to assist the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas in their functioning under the Act.
  - 1) Administration Wing
  - 2) Inquiry Wing
  - 3) Police Wing
  - 4) Technical Wing
- (2) The Registrar is declared as Head of the Department under Schedule (1) to the Karnataka Civil Services Rules. Further the Registrar heads the Administration and Enquiry Wing in the Karnataka Lokayukta, while Police Wing is headed by Additional Director General of Police and the Technical Wing is headed by the Chief Engineer.
- (3) To assist the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas in their functioning, Officers from Judiciary and Departments of Police, Prosecution, Public Works, Statistics and State Accounts, work on deputation in the Lokayukta organization. Further, the ministerial staffs in the cadre of Group 'C' and Group 'D' are also recruited directly for the Karnataka Lokayukta Institution and other staff i.e., First Division Assistants and Second

Division Assistants are appointed by the Karnataka State Public Service Commission. In addition, for the purpose of effective and purposeful function, the Lokayukta or Upalokayuktas are entrusted with the power of utilizing the services of any officer or investigating agency of the State Government or any officers/investigating agency of the Central Government with the prior concurrence of the State Government or Central Government or any person or any other agency, for conducting investigation.

# 7. FUNCTIONS OF EACH BRANCH / WING OF THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA:

### (1) Administration Wing:-

the Administration wing, apart from the administration of the Lokayukta institution in respect of officers/staff, expenditure, accounts, stores, etc., receiving of complaints from the general public and processing the same in Act are accordance with the dealt with. Further, the officers/officials also assisting Lokayukta/ are the Upalokayuktas in the investigation of the complaints.

#### (2) Inquiry Wing:-

The Officers (Judicial Officers) of the Enquiry Wing are conducting Departmental Inquiries against the public servants which are initiated by the Government under Rule 14-A of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957. Besides this, the Officers are assisting the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas in scrutiny of the complaints, preparation of reports under Sections 12(1) and 12(3) of the Act.

#### (3) Police Wing:-

The Police Wing deals with cases already registered under the PC Act, besides it also assists the Lokayukta/ Upalokayuktas in conducting investigation into the complaints received under the provisions of the Act are referred to it by the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas which affects purity and probity in public administration and wherever redressal of grievance are called for. Further, for the purpose of investigation required to be conducted under Section 9 of the Act the matter is referred to Police Wing also to conduct an investigation and submit its report.

### (4) Technical Wing (Technical Audit Cell):-

The Technical Audit Cell mainly conducts investigations referred to them by the Lokayukta/ Upalokayuktas in the matters such as allegations of execution of sub-standard works by the public servants, misappropriation of money, loss caused to the Government due to negligence on the part of public servants, etc. The Technical Wing also assists the Police Wing in evaluating the cost of construction of buildings by the public servants, against whom the cases of possession of disproportionate assets have been registered.

### 8. STEPS TAKEN FOR TRANSPARENCY IN THE FUNCTIONING OF THE INSTITUTION

In order to have transparency in the functioning of the institution and to provide timely information to the complainants, respondents and public at large relating to all the cases, steps have been taken for publishing substantial information about the working of the institution in the website of the institution by upgrading the existing website. In the new website of the Karnataka Lokayukta institution, the following information have been added in addition to the existing information.

1) History and establishment of Karnataka Lokayukta institution, objects, reasons and bird's eye view of jurisdiction of Lokayukta institution.

- 2) Procedure for filing of complaint against Government/Public servants.
- 3) Online display board relating to departmental inquiries. It enables the DGOs, advocates/defence assistants and witnesses to appear before the Inquiry Officers at appropriate time.
- 4) Scrutiny notes and orders made in complaint cases will be uploaded w.e.f. 01-12-2021, which enables the parties to know the proceedings and progress of the cases.
- 5) Statistics of pending complaint cases and Departmental inquiries pertaining to the jurisdiction of the Lokayukta and Upalokayuktas and also section-wise pending cases.
- 6) Statistics of disposal of complaints, departmental inquiries and Miscellaneous petitions.
- 7) Statistics and reports sent under Section 12(1) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984 since the year 2017.
- 8) Statistics and reports sent under Section 12(3) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984 since the year 2017, in which the Competent authority has not taken action for more than 4 months, as required under Section 12(4) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984.
- 9) Statistics, recommendations and inquiry reports sent to the Competent Authority under Rule 14-A (2)(d) of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957 since the year 2017, in which the Disciplinary Authority has not taken action for more than 4 months.

- 10) Statistics and reports sent to your Excellency under Section 12(5) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984.
- 11) Details of suo moto cases registered by Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas and also the orders passed in the public interest cases including removal of encroachments on public properties, rejuvenation of tanks, lakes, etc.
- 12) Details of pending trial cases before the Special Courts relating to the charge sheets filed by Lokayukta Police; Applications pending before the Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal and Writ petitions and Appeals pending before Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka.
- 13) Annual Administration Reports.
- 14) Acts and Rules relating to the Karnataka Lokayukta
  Institution
- 15) Important Judgments of Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka and Hon'ble Supreme Court of India relating to the institution of Lokayukta and related matters.
- 16) Profile of Lokayukta, Upalokayuktas, former Lokayuktas, former Upalokayuktas, names and designation of Officers working in the Administration Wing, Inquiry Wing, Technical Wing and Police Wing of Karnataka Lokayukta.
- 17) Sanctioned strength, working strength and vacancy position of officers/officials of Karnataka Lokayukta.

### 9. **GENERAL**:

(1) During the current financial year, the Lokayukta and Upalokayuktas, apart from receipt and disposal of complaints, have also visited many District places and received

the complaints from the public and heard them in public before the concerned public officers. Many of such grievances have been redressed at the spot itself. The Superintendents of Police and other Officers of the Police Wing of the Karnataka Lokayukta, posted in district Head Quarters are also instructed to visit every Taluk coming under their jurisdiction after giving wide publicity and afford an opportunity to the aggrieved citizens to make their complaints and if possible to redress their grievances with the assistance of the concerned officers of the Government. In such cases where grievances could not be redressed at the spot, the complaints are sent to the head office at Bengaluru and the matters are investigated by the Lokayukta or Upalokayuktas, as the case may be.

- (2) 24x7 HELPLINE in Karnataka Lokayukta to take care of cases of emergency is functioning round the clock and in many cases, the same has proved to be very helpful to the aggrieved citizens in getting immediate and timely relief in Government offices particularly in hospitals and police stations throughout the State in emergency situations. The said facility can be availed by dialing 155320 and 18004255320 which are toll free numbers. 24 x 7 HELPLINE can also be availed by dialing 22375014.
- (3) The Lokayukta and Upalokayuktas have also taken Suo-Motu notice of the incidents, which in their opinion is the subject of grievance or an allegation.

# 10. STATISTICS / DETAILS OF THE FUNCTIONING DURING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (2020-21):

The details of the complaints investigated into under the Act, inquiries conducted under Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957, cases

investigated by the Lokayukta Police for the offences under the PC Act and investigations handled by the Technical Wing of the institution are indicated, in detail, in different chapters annexed to this Report.

Place: Bengaluru, (Justice P. Vishwanatha Shetty),

Date: Lokayukta, State of Karnataka.

### Chapter-2

### INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS UNDER THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA ACT, 1984

### 1) Petitions without Form No. I & II:

Every complaint under the provisions of the Act should be made in the form of a Statement (Form No. I) supported by an Affidavit (Form No. II), as provided under Section 9(2) of the Act. Apart from the complaints in the prescribed form, there are number of petitions, including anonymous, pseudonymous and others received in the Karnataka Lokayukta office. petitions are also examined and wherever the address of the available and where such allegations/ complainant is grievances made in the complaint could be investigated under the provisions of the Act, Form No. I and Form No. II would be sent to them for compliance. Anonymous or pseudonymous complaints will also be considered for taking suo-motu investigation in appropriate cases.

### 3) Complaints in Form No.I with Affidavit in Form No.II:

(1) The complaints which are filed in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Rules have been registered and such complaints are initially scrutinized by the Scrutiny Officers. After if making such preliminary scrutiny, the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas propose to proceed to conduct any investigation under the Act, the copy of the complaint will be sent to the public servant/s concerned and the competent authority and such public servant/s will be given an opportunity to offer his/their comments on such complaint/s. If the complaint is frivolous or vexatious or is not made in good

faith or there are no sufficient grounds for investigation or, for continuing the investigation; or other appropriate remedies are available to the complainant, the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas may refuse to investigate or cease to investigate such complaint after recording reasons and communicates the same to the complainant/s.

- (2) In conducting the investigations into the complaints as per the provisions of the Act, the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas will be assisted by the Additional Registrars/Deputy Registrars/Assistant Registrars (Legal Opinion)/ Public Prosecutor. The Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas will also get the complaints investigated through the Technical Wing or the Police Wing of the Lokayukta organization. Further, the Hon'ble Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas may also utilize the services of Officers of the State Government or Officers of the Central Government with the concurrence of that Government or the services of any other person or agency for investigation of the complaints, under Section 15(3) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act.
- (3) Further, as per Section 8 of the Act, the Lokayukta/ Upalokayuktas shall not conduct any investigation under the Act in case of complaints involving grievance in respect of any action specified in Schedule–II, namely,
  - a) Action taken for the purpose of investigating crimes relating to the security of the State;
  - b) Action taken in the exercise of powers in relation to determining whether a matter shall go to a court or not;

- c) Action taken in matters which arise out of the terms of a contract governing purely commercial relations of the administration with customers or suppliers except where the complainant alleges harassment or gross delay in meeting contractual obligations;
- d) Action taken in respect of appointments, removals, pay, discipline, superannuation or other matters relating to conditions of service of public servants but not including action relating to claims for pension, gratuity, provident fund or to any claims which arise on retirement, removal or termination of service;
- e) Grant of honours and awards.

Further, the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas cannot investigate any complaint involving grievance if the complainant has or had, any remedy by way of appeal, revision, review or other proceedings before any Tribunal, Court, or other authority and has not availed of the same.

- (4) The Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas for the purpose of any investigation (including preliminary enquiry before such investigation) under the Act, is empowered to summon relevant documents/witnesses and record evidence.
- (5) If the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas is/are satisfied that the action of the public servant has resulted in unjust or undue hardship to the complainant or to any other person, a report will be sent to the Competent Authority under Section 12(1) of the Act, recommending that such injustice or hardship shall be remedied or redressed in such a manner and within

such time, as may be specified in the report and the Competent Authority shall within one month of the expiry of the period specified in the report, intimate the Lokayukta or the Upalokayuktas the action taken on the report under Section 12(2) of the Act.

- (6) If the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas is/are satisfied that an allegation is substantiated either wholly or partly, a report will be sent to the Competent Authority under Section 12(3) of the Act, recommending suitable action and such Competent Authority shall within three months of the date of receipt of the report, intimate the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas the action taken or proposed to be taken on the basis of the report under Section 12(4) of the Act.
- (7) If the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas is/are satisfied with the action taken or proposed to be taken on the recommendation or findings under Section 12(1) or 12(3) of the Act, the case will be closed under intimation to the complainant, the public servant and the competent authority concerned; but where Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas is/are not so satisfied and if he/they considers that the case so deserves, he may make a special report to His Excellency the Governor of Karnataka under Section 12(5) of the Lokayukta Act and also inform the Competent Authority concerned and the Complainant.
- (8) The statements and details regarding the complaints received, disposed off and pending for the year 2020-21 are furnished, as follows:

# STATEMENT SHOWING COMPLAINTS (WITH AFFIDAVIT) PENDING AT THE BEGINNING, RECEIVED AND DISPOSED OFF DURING THE YEAR AND PENDING AT THE END OF THE YEAR

Jurisdiction	Pending as on 31/3/2020	Received From 01/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	No.of cases disposed of from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total No. of cases pending as on 31/3/2021
Hon'ble Lokayukta	2533	1072	3605	1467	2138
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-1	1589	1040	2629	738	1891
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-2	2587	1285	3872	1088	2784
Total	6709	3397	10106	3293	6813

### MANNER OF DISPOSAL OF COMPLAINTS

Jurisdiction	No. of cases disposed off by way 12(3) Report sent	No. of cases disposed off by way of 2(1) Report sent	No. of cases disposed off by way of 2(1) & 12(3) Report sent	No. of cases disposed off as the grievance of the complainants redressed	No. of cases disposed off as the allegations/ grievance of the complainants not maintainable u/Sec.8	No. of cases disposed off as the allegations/ grievance of the complainants not established u/Sec.9	No. of cases in which the complainants have withdrawn their complaints	Others	Total
Hon'ble Lokayukta	19	7	2	194	644	588	13		1467
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-1	104	0	11	96	261	266	0		738
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-2	44	14	7	141	497	382	03		1088
Total	167	21	20	431	1402	1236	16		3293

### **Government Referred Cases**

Apart from the complaints filed, the Government may also refer the complaints to the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas under Sec.7(2A) of the Act. These cases are also dealt with, as in the case of complaint cases. The same will be allotted to scrutiny officers and after investigation of the same; a report will be sent to the Government. The details of such Government referred cases during the year are, as follows:

Jurisdiction	Pending as on 31/03/2020	Received from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	No. of references disposed off as Closed	No. of cases in which action was recommended Lokayukta Act	Total No. of cases pending as on 31/3/2021
Hon'ble Lokayukta	22	0	22	6		16
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Hon'ble Upalokayukta-2	8	0	8	3	0	5
Total	31	1	32	10	0	22

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE REPORTS UNDER SEC. 12(1), 12(3) AND 12(5) OF THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA ACT SENT DURING THE YEAR

SI. No.	Particulars	Hon'ble Lokayukta Jurisdiction	Hon'ble Upalokayukta-1 Jurisdiction	Hon'ble Upalokayukta-2 Jurisdiction	Total
1	Number of reports sent under Section 12(1) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act.	9	11	21	41
2	Number of reports sent under Section 12(3) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act.	21	115	51	187
3	Number of Reports sent under Section 12(5) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act.	0	5	0	5
	Total	30	131	72	233

The list showing the details of Reports sent under Section 12(1) of the Act sent to the Competent Authority is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'A'.** 

The List showing the details of Reports sent under Section 12(3) of the Act sent to the Competent Authority is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'B'**.

The List showing the details of Reports sent under Section 12(5) of the Act submitted to His Excellency Governor of Karnataka is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'C'**.

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF REPORTS SENT UNDER SECTION12(1) OF THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA ACT TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY & ACTION TAKEN BY COMPETENT AUTHORITY ON IT DURING THE YEAR AND PENDING AT THE END OF 31/03/2021

Jurisdiction	Report u/Sec. 12 (1) pending with Competent Authority as on 31/3/2020	Report u/Sec.12 (1) sent to the Competent Authority from 01/4/2020 To 31/3/2021	Total	Compliance received on Section 12(1) Report u/Sec. 12(2) from 01/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Reports u/Sec. 12 (1) pending with the Competent Authority as on 31/3/2020
Hon'ble Lokayukta	18	9	27	5	22
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-1	44	11	55	6	49
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-2	262	21	283	35	248
Total	324	41	365	46	319

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF REPORTS UNDER SECTION 12(3) SENT TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY, ACTION TAKEN BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY ON IT AND PENDING AT THE END OF 31/03/2021

Jurisdiction	Report u/Sec. 12 (3) pending with Competent Authority as on 31/03/2020	Report u/Sec. 12 (3) sent to the Competent Authority from 01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021	Total	Compliance received on Section 12 (3) Report u/Sec.12(4) from 01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021	Reports u/Sec. 12 (3) pending with the Competent Authority as on 31/03/2021
Hon'ble Lokayukta	47	21	68	43	25
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-1	241	115	356	151	205
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-2	333	51	384	185	199
Total	621	187	808	379	429

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF REPORTS UNDER SECTION 12(5) SENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR OF KARNATAKA, ACTION TAKEN ON IT AND PENDING AT THE END OF 31/03/2020

Jurisdiction	Report u/Sec.12(5) pending with Competent Authority as on 31/03/2020	Report u/Sec. 12(5) sent to the Competent Authority from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	Action taken on 12(5) report during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Reports u/Sec. 12(5) pending with the Competent Authority as on 31/3/2021
Hon'ble Lokayukta	14	0	14	0	14
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-1	45	5	50	1	49
Hon'ble Upa-Lokayukta-2	6	0	6	0	6
Total	65	5	70	1	69

As stated above, during the financial year under Report, totally 3398 complaints were instituted and 3293 complaints came to be disposed.

Apart from this, 187 reports under Section 12(3) and 41 reports under Section 12(1) of Act, 1984 were sent to the Government for suitable action in terms of the recommendation made therein.

In the meantime, we would like to bring to the notice of Your Excellency that in 429 recommendations made under Sec. 12(3) of the Act, Government Orders/action taken reports are awaited for more than three months from the date of the recommendations.

Further, action taken reports are awaited in 319 recommendations made under Sec. 12(1) of the Act.

It is important to note that among the above recommendations under Section 12(3), in 297 cases recommendations were made more than two years back and in 132 cases recommendations were made more than a year ago. The details of the cases in which Government Orders/action taken reports are awaited more than three months from the date of recommendations is submitted hereunder in a tabular form:-

Year in	Rep	ort un	der S	Section	Repo	ort un	der	Section
which	12(	1) of the	Act in	which	12(3	) of the	Act in	n which
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	LOK	UF	UF	Total	LOK	J. O.	UF	Total
2011			2	2				
2012								
2013	2			2				
2014	3		1	4	3	1	1	5
2015	6		2	8	2		1	3
2016		17	28	45		45	28	73
2017	2	9	99	110	4	30	37	71
2018	2	8	65	75	3	24	40	67
2019	3	8	21	32	3	22	53	78
2020	3	6	28	37	8	77	31	116
2021	1	1	2	4	2	6	8	16
Total	22	49	248	319	25	205	199	429

### Chapter-3

### **DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRIES**

The Government the on taking action on recommendations made in the Reports sent by the Hon'ble Lokayukta or the Hon'ble Upalokayuktas under Sec. 12(3) of the Act, will entrust enquiries against the Respondents to the Hon'ble Lokayukta or the Hon'ble Upalokayuktas, under Rule 14-A of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957. In pursuance to the said entrustment of inquiry by the Government, Hon'ble Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas will nominate the Inquiry Officer, who are the District Judges deputed to this Institution by the Hon'ble High Court or the Retired District Judges taken on contract basis by this institution, to frame charges, conduct Inquiry and submit the report.

During the year 2020-21, nominations in 199 cases have been done. In respect of the enquiries entrusted to the Hon'ble Lokayukta/ Upalokayuktas by the Government under Rule 14-A of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1957, after conducting the enquiry, the Enquiry Officers will submit their reports to the Lokayukta/Upalokayuktas, as the case may be, recording their findings on the charges along with supporting evidence and connected records. In turn, these Reports will be sent to the concerned Competent Authority by the Hon'ble Lokayukta/ Upalokayuktas, along with their recommendations. On receipt of the same, the Competent Authority will take action in accordance with Rule 11-A of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1957.

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE DEPARTMENTAL ENQUIRIES PENDING AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, RECEIVED, DISPOSED OFF DURING THE YEAR AND PENDING AT THE END OF THE YEAR

### (Under Rule 14-A of the Karnataka Civil Services (CC&A) Rules 1957)

Sl. No	Jurisdiction	Inquires pending as on 31/3/2020	Inquiries initiated during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Tot	Inquiries disposed of during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	iiri n 3
1	Hon'ble Lokayukta	82	12	94	11	81
2	Hon'ble Upalokayukta-1	1500	91	1591	193	1398
3	Hon'ble Upalokayukta-2	1137	96	1233	164	1069
	Total	2719	199	2918	368	2548

### MANNER OF DISPOSAL OF ENQUIRY CASES

Jurisdiction	Hon'ble Lokayukta	Hon'ble Upalokayukta- 1	Hon'ble Upalokayukta- 2	Total
No. of cases in which charges held proved and penalty recommended to Government	8	`122	101	231
No. of cases in which charges held not proved	2	56	53	111
Other Modes	1	15	10	26
Total	11	193	164	368

The statement showing details of inquiries in which the Inquiry Reports along with the Recommendations of Hon'ble Lokayukta and Hon'ble Upalokayuktas have been sent to the Competent Authority during the year is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'D'**.

The statement showing the details of Inquiry Reports on which the Competent Authority has taken action during the year under Report is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'E'**.

As stated above, in the previous financial year, 368 disciplinary enquiries were completed and the recommendation in terms of Rule 14-A(2)(d) of Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957 were submitted to the competent authority.

In the meantime, we would like to bring to the notice of Your Excellency that action taken reports are awaited for more than three months in 752 recommendations made under Rule 14(A)(2)(d) of the Karnataka Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1957. The details of the departmental inquiries in which Government Orders/action taken reports are awaited more than three months from the date of recommendations is submitted hereunder in a tabular form:-

Year in which report							
was sent	LOK	UPLOK-1	UPLOK-2				
2014	1	3 5					
2015	1	11	10	22			
2016		10	20	30			
2017	6	54	25	85			
2018	2	91	45	138			
2019	8	82	215				
2020	7	165					
2021	2	53	33	88			
Total	27	428	297	752			

### Chapter-4

## CASES REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION ACT, 1988

Apart from investigation under the Lokayukta Act, the Police Officers deputed to the Karnataka Lokayukta institution were vested with powers to register and investigate the cases under the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 prior to the establishment of Anti Corruption Bureau by the Karnataka State. The Government by its Order No. DPAR 14 SLU 2016 dated 14/3/2016 established a separate body known as "Anti Corruption Bureau" for registration of offences and conducting investigation under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

On 7/4/2016, the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, in Writ Petition No. 19386/2016 has passed an interim order directing that during the pendency of writ petition, the cases under investigation and pending sanction at the Police Wing of the Karnataka Lokayukta, shall not be transferred to the newly formed Anti-Corruption Bureau. Any other action shall, however, abide by the result of the writ petition. Further, on 26/4/2017, the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka has passed the following order:

".....The interim order, already, granted on April 7, 2016, that the cases under investigation and pending sanction at the Police Wing of the Karnataka Lokayukta should not be transferred to the newly formed Anti Corruption Bureau shall continue. However, this will not prevent the police

officers attached to the Karnataka Lokayukta to continue with the investigation in those cases......"

The Lokayukta police wing, as per the directions of the Hon'ble Lokayukta and also proactively have been visiting various public institutions like Anganawadis, Government Schools and Hostels, Public Hospitals, throughout the State of Karnataka. The Police Inspectors and Deputy Superintendent of Police of Karnataka Lokayukta District units have identified numerous problems and lacunae/deficiencies in these institutions.

The Lokayukta Police have also been visiting Public Offices like Grama Panchayaths, Taluk/Tahsil offices, Offices of the Assistant Director of Agriculture, Deputy Directors of Land Records, Sub Registrars, District Registrar, Regional Transport Offices, Mines & Geology, Planning & Development Authorities, such as, Bangalore Development Authority, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and other District Development Authorities, Municipal Offices, Corporations, etc. During these visits, the Police officers have randomly verified the pendency/rejection of applications with regard to various applications filed under "Sakala" scheme under different heads. In this way, legitimate beneficiaries have been benefitted in getting the benefits under various Government Schemes, such as Widow Pension, Old Age Pension, disability pension, Caste and Income Certificates, etc. and the administrative machinery has been speeded up. Wherever there is delay due to mal-administration, reports for taking appropriate action against the errant officials have been sent to Hon'ble Lokayukta.

The Lokayukta police are also conducting regular District/ Taluk public grievance meetings throughout the State and addressed many complaints/grievances of pubic against

concerned Government/public officials. Many complaints and grievances are redressed at the spot and through regular follow up with the concerned authorities.

During recent floods in the months of September and October 2020, the Lokayukta police have visited the flood affected areas in Kodagu, Bidar, Chamarajanagar, Chikkamagaluru, Udupi, Dakshina Kannada, Koppal, Haveri, Ballari, Hosaptete, Kalaburagi and Yadgir District and assisted the District administration in providing aid and reliefs to the flood affected victims in the relief centres.

The statistics showing the number of cases investigated, its disposal and pending trial cases, etc., are shown in the following tables.

Statement showing the cases under investigation under the Prevention of Corruption Act pending at the beginning of the year, cases registered during the year and the cases disposed off, during the year and pending at the end of the year 31/03/2021

Nature of cases	Cases pending as on 31/3/2020	Cases registered from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	Cases disposed from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	No. o f cases pending as on 31/3/2021
Raid Cases	45	0	45	8	37
Trap Cases	19	0	19	0	19
Other Cases	95	0	95	7	88
Total	159	0	159	15	144

# Manner of disposal of the cases registered under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988

Nature of cases	No.of cases recommended for both D.E and Prosecution	No.of cases in which DE recommended but no Prosecution	No.of cases in which Prosecu- tion launched	which 'B' report submitted/ closed	Total No. of cases disposed off by the police wing
Raid cases	0	0	6	2	8
Trap cases	0	0	0	0	0
Other cases	0	0	4	3	7
Total	0	0	10	5	15

# Statement showing the Prosecution Sanction Orders sought, received and pending with the Competent Authority, during the year 2020-21

No. of cases pending for prosecution sanction as on 31/03/2020	No. of cases in which sanction for prosecution sought during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	No. of cases in which sanction for prosecution issued / rejected by Disciplinary Authorities during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	No. of cases in which sanction for prosecution pending with the Competent Authorities
14	5	19	7	12

# Statement showing the details of Trial cases pending at the beginning of the year, cases filed during the year and disposed off during the year 2020-21

Nature of cases	No. of trial cases pending as on 31/3/2020	Prosecution launched from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	cases disposed off by the Trial Courts from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	cases pending as on 31/3/2021
Raid cases	350	6	356	36	320
Trap cases	499	0	499	92	407
Other cases	160	4	164	11	153
Total	1009	10	1019	139	880

### **Manner of Disposal of Court Cases**

Sl.No.	Nature of cases	No.of cases acquitted	No.of cases convicted	No.of cases discharged, abated, etc.	Total
1	Raid	19	3	14	36
2	Trap	50	26	16	92
3	Others	8	1	2	11
	Total	77	30	32	139

The details of petitions and complaints enquired and investigated by Lokayukta Police are as follows:-

S1.	Particulars	No. of
No.		complaints/
		cases
1	Petitions received from Complaint wing and	136
	Police Wing by Lokayukta Police	
2	Petitions enquired and disposed of by	169
	Lokayukta Police during the period from	
	1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	
3	Local petitions received by Lokayukta Police	169
	in different district units from 1/4/2020 to	
	31/3/2021	

4	Petitions enquired and disposed of by Lokayukta Police during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	163
5	Complaints registered under the provisions of Karnataka Lokayukta Act referred to Police Wing for investigation during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	297
6	Complaints enquired/disposed of by Lokayukta Police during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	206
7	Inspections conducted by Lokayukta Police in 21 districts during the period from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021 of Works executed under MGNREGA scheme during the year 2011-12 in 21 districts	1272

The list showing the details of cases in which the Special Courts have ordered for Conviction of the Accused Government Officers/Officials, during the year 2020-21 is appended to this Report at **Annexure-'F'**.

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### CASES REFERRED TO THE TECHNICAL WING

The following statement shows the complaints/cases referred to Technical Wing of the Karnataka Lokayukta for the period from 01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021.

Wing/ Sections	Cases pending as on 31/3/2020	Cases received from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Total	Cases disposed off from 1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021	Cases pending as on 31/3/2021
Technical Section	39	126	165	98	67
Accounts Section	76	19	95	87	8
Valuation Cases	1	0	1	0	1
Total	116	145	261	185	76

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### **ADMINISTRATION SECTION**

The following is the Statement showing the Budget Grant and Expenditure incurred for the year 2020-21 under the Head of Account 2062-00-103-0-02 Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru.

Sl No	Item under Head of Account 2062- 00-103-0-02	Total Grant Allotted ₹	Addl. Grant ₹	Reappro- priation ₹	Grand Total ₹	Expenditure ₹
1	2	3	4		6	7
1	Salaries – Officers 002	3,64,00,000	(+)14,00,000 (+)14,00,000	(+)10,00,000 (+)20,00,000 (+)36,00,000 (+)50,00,000	5,08,00,000	473,66,492
2	Salaries – Staff 003	5,61,00,000	(+)2,50,000 (+)1,00,000	(-)2,20,000 (+)3,00,000	5,65,30,000	551,73,497
3	Interim Relief – 004	31,00,000	(+)20,000 (+)1,25,000	(+)1,60,000 (+)1,80,000	35,85,000	34,97,103
4	Dearness Allowance 011	3,90,00,000	(+)4,00,000	(-)10,00,000 (-)20,00,000 (-)48,70,000	3,15,30,000	312,01,207
5	Other Allowances 014	2,33,00,000	(+)10,00,000 (+)5,00,000	(+)2,20,000 (+)11,00,000 (+)6,00,000	2,67,20,000	258,23,611
6	Medical Allowance 020	6,00,000	(+)2,000	(+) 10,000	6,12,000	6,09,940
TOTAI	L SALARY (A)	15,85,00,000			16,97,77,000	16,36,71,850
	Sub-Heads					
7	Subsidiary Expenses-015	30,00,000			30,00,000	29,91,881
8	Medical Reimbursement 021	16,00,000			16,00,000	15,98,754
9	Outsource/ Contract – 034	3,46,00,000		(-)20,00,000 (-)13,00,000 (-)11,000	3,12,89,000	312,88,973
10	Travel Expenses – 041	10,00,000		(-)6,00,000	4,00,000	3,99,307
11	General Expenses – 051	45,00,000			45,00,000	44,99,363
12	Building Expenses – 071	15,00,000		(-)5,00,000 (-)4,00,000 (-)34,000	5,66,000	5,65,531
13	Machinery & Equipments-180	10,00,000		(+)5,00,000 (+)4,00,000 (+)59,000	19,59,000	18,92,510

14	Transport	40,00,000	(+)5,00,000	51,00,000	50,99,075
	Expenses-195		(+)6,00,000		
TOTAL	L (B)	5,12,00,000	(-)27,86,000	4,84,14,000	4,83,35,394
TOTAL	L SALARY (A)	15,85,00,000		16,97,77,000	16,36,71,850
Grand	Total	20,97,00,000		21,81,91,000	21,20,07,244
Amou	nt Surrendered				61,83,756

### **BUDGET ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 2020-21**

The following is the Statement showing the Budget Grant and Expenditure incurred for the year 2020-21 under the Head of Account 2062-00-103-0-03 Vigilance 03-Director General, Bureau of Investigation, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru.

SI No	Item under Head of Account 2062-00- 103-0-03	Total Grant Allotted	Addl. Grant	Reappro- priation	Grand Total	Expenditure
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Salaries – Officers 002	7,45,00,000	(+)20,00,000 (+)11,00,000	(+)80,00,000 (+)80,00,000	9,36,00,000	9,35,80,065
2	Salaries – Staff 003	24,24,00,000	(+)5,00,000 (+)3,60,000		24,32,60,000	22,71,01,288
3	Dearness Allowance 011	7,57,00,000	(+)3,00,000	(-)80,00,000 (-)1,80,80,000 (-)30,00,000 (-)15,00,000	4,54,20,000	3,62,86,866
4	Other Allowances 014	6,58,00,000	(+)15,00,000 (+)12,00,000	(+)40,00,000	7,25,00,000	6,78,97,988
5	Medical Allowance 020	14,00,000	(+)3,000		14,03,000	13,41,575
TOTAL	L SALARY (A)	40,72,00,000			45,61,83,000	42,62,07,782
	Sub-Heads					
6	Subsidiary Expenses- 015	98,00,000	(+)20,00,000 (+)15,00,000	(+)28,47,000	1,61,47,000	1,61,42,950
7	Medical Reimbursement-021	51,00,000			51,00,000	48,69,364
8	Outsource/Contract – 034	8,00,000		(-)4,47,000	3,53,000	3,51,170
9	Salary of Board/Corp. Staff – 035	1,24,00,000		(-)34,00,000 (-)66,000	89,34,000	89,33,370
10	Travel Expenses – 041	40,00,000			40,00,000	39,99,716
11	General Expenses – 051	50,00,000		(+)13,00,000 (+)4,00,000 (+)5,00,000	72,00,000	71,99,217
12	Building Expenses – 071	40,00,000		(+)4,00,000	44,00,000	43,95,904
13	Scholarship & Incentives-117	50,00,000			50,00,000	50,00,000
14	Transport Expenses- 195	1,50,00,000		(+)12,00,000 (+)5,00,000 (+)52,000 (+)25,00,000	1,92,52,000	1,92,48,900
TOTAL	` '	4,53,00,000			7,03,86,000	7,01,40,591
	L SALARY (A)	40,72,00,000			45,61,83,000	42,62,07,782
Grand		52,09,00,000			52,65,69,000	49,63,48,373
Amou	nt Surrendered					3,02,20,627

# The Statement showing the Revenue received during the year 2020-21

S1. No.	Particulars	Amount received
1	Deposition Copy fees and others	55,859.00
2	Information fee under the Right to Information Act	84,615.00
3	Sale of old disposed off files after tearing the same.	18,483.00
4	Sale of Old Tyres, Tubes	8,366.00
	Total	167,323.00

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### Classification of Officers and Employees as on 31/3/2021

		ರ	No. of Employees			zo.				
S1. No.	Designation	Sanctioned	Men	women	Working	Vacancies	Remarks			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			
	CLASS I (GROUP 'A') OFFICERS									
1	Hon'ble Lokayukta	1	1	0	1	0	_			
2	Hon'ble Upalokayukta	2	1	1	1	0	-			
3	Registrar	1	0	1	1	0	-			
4	Chief Engineer	1	1	0	1	0	-			
5	Addl. Registrar Enquiries*(11+9)	20	18	2	20	0	-			
6	Deputy Registrar Enquiries	5	3	0	3	2	-			
7	Secretary to Lokayukta	1	1	0	1	0	-			
8	Deputy Registrar (Admn1)	1	1	0	1	0	-			
9	Deputy Registrar (Admn2)	1	1	0	1	0	-			
10	Superintending Engineer	1	0	0	0	1	-			
11	Executive Engineer	3	2	0	2	1	-			
12	Deputy Controller of Accounts	1	0	0	0	1	-			
13	Private Secretary to Hon'ble Lokayukta	1	0	0	0	1	-			
14	Private Secretary to Hon'ble Upalokayukta	2	0	0	0	2	-			
15	Public Prosecutor	1	0	1	1	0	-			
16	Senior Asst. Public Prosecutor* (9+7)	20	7	0	7	13	-			
17	Asst. Registrar (Legal Opinion)	5	3	0	3	2	-			
18	Asst. Executive Engineer	5	3	1	4	1	-			
19	Assistant Registrar (Admn.)	3	2	1	3	0	_			
20	Assistant Controller of Accounts	2	1	0	1	1	-			
21	Addl. Director General of Police	1	1	0	1	0	-			
22	IGP/DIGP	1	0	0	0	1	-			

23	Superintendent of	23	8	3	11	12	_	
	Police		J			1		
24	Joint Commissioner (PRO)	1	0	0	0	1	-	
25	Dy. Superintendent of Police	43	30	4	34	9	_	
26	Gazetted Assistants	5	0	4	4	1	-	
27	Deputy Director of Statistics	1	0	1	1	0	-	
	Total	152	85	17	102	50	_	
	CLASS II (GROUP 'B') OFFICERS							
1	Assistant Engineer	8	2	0	2	6	-	
2	Senior Judgment Writer	9	2	7	9	0	-	
3	Translator	1	0	1	1	0	-	
4	Legal Assistant (Court Officer)	1	0	1	1	0	-	
5	Audit Officer	2	2	0	2	0	=	
6	Accounts Superintendent		1	0	1	4	-	
7	Manager	4	2	2	4	0	_	
8	Police Inspector	90	58		71	19	_	
	Total	120	67		91	29	-	
		III (GRO	UP 'C') (	<b>OFFICERS</b>		1		
1	Office Supdt., /Audit Supdt.,	30	20	9	29	1	_	
2	Judgment Writers* (20+5	) 29	10	14	24	5	-	
3	Assistant Statistical Officer	2	1	0	1	1	_	
4	Assistant Librarian	1	0	0	0	1	-	
5	First Division Assistant* (65+5)	74	24	26	50	24	_	
6	Second Division Assistan	t 58	22	13	35	23	-	
7	Stenographers	41	7	20	27	14	-	
8	Senior Typist	3	0	2	2	1	-	
9	Typist	16	1	3	4	12	_	
10	Clerk-cum-Typist	117	20		86	31	-	
11	Senior Driver	5	5	0	5	0	-	
12	Driver	21	11		12	9	-	
13	Police Sub-Inspector	13	8	0	3	10	-	
14	Assistant Sub-Inspector	4	3	0	3	1	-	
15	Head Constable	145	110		132	13	-	
16	H.C.Driver	15	12		12	3		
17	Civil Police Constables	234	79		119	116	-	
18	APC Orderly	30	8	0	7	22	-	
19	A.P.C.Drivers	148	61		61	87	-	
1	Total	986	39'	7   216	613	373	-	

CLASS IV (GROUP 'D') OFFICIALS							
1	Jamedars / Attenders	14	7	6	13	1	I
2	Cycle Orderlies / Home* Orderlies/Dalayaths/Dal ayaths-cum-Sweepers/ Sweepers/ Night- watchman (139+5)	148	62	35	97	51	-
3	Motor Cycle Orderly	5	3	0	3	2	-
	Total	167	72	41	113	54	-

#### ABSTRACT

S1. No	Group	Sanctioned Strength	No. of Employees		Working	Vacancies	Remarks
			Men	Women			
1	Group 'A'	152	85	1`7	102	50	-
2	Group B'	120	67	24	91	29	-
3	Group 'C'	986	397	216	613	373	-
4	Group 'D'	167	72	41	113	54	-
	Total	1425	621	298	919	506	-

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## PARTICULARS OF THE TENURE OF THE OFFICE HELD BY THE HON'BLE LOKAYUKTAS

Name	From	То
1) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	15/01/1986	14/01/1991
A.D.Koshal		
2) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	25/01/1991	24/01/1996
Rabindranath Pyne		
3) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	02/06/1996	01/06/2001
S.A. Hakeem		
4) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	03/07/2001	02/07/2006
N.Venkatachala		
5) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	03/08/2006	02/08/2011
N.Santosh Hegde		
6) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	03/08/2011	20/09/2011
Shivaraj V. Patil		(Resigned)
7) Hon'ble Justice	14/02/2013	07/12/2015
Dr.Y.Bhaskar Rao		(Resigned)
8) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	28/01/2017	Till the end of the
P. Vishwanatha Shetty		Financial Year and
		Continued

## PARTICULARS OF TENURE OF THE OFFICE HELD BY THE HON'BLE UPALOKAYUKTAS

Name	From	То
1) Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.C.Mittal	22/01/1986	21/01/1991
2) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	13/02/1992	12/02/1997
Kamaleshwar Nath,		
3) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	02/04/1997	01/04/2002
G.P. Shivaprakash		
4) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	29/12/2004	28/12/2009
G. Patri Basavana Goud		
5) Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.B.	19/07/2010	17/07/2015
Majage		
6) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	03/08/2011	20/10/2011
R. Gururajan		
7) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	22/01/2012	03/04/2012
Chandrashekaraiah		
8) Hon'ble Mr. Justice	02/03/2013	02/03/2018
Subash B. Adi		
9) Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.	17/12/2015	16/12/2020
Ananda		
10) Hon'ble Mr.Justice B.S.Patil	21/11/2019	Till the end of
		current
		financial year
		and continued

## INCUMBENCY OF REGISTRARS IN THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA

S1. No.	Name of the officer	From	То
1	Sri. M.S. Nataraja Murthy	15/01/1986	31/12/1987
2	Sri. Adhip Choudhary	01/02/1988	27/09/1988
3	Sri. V.Govindaraj	28/09/1988	11/10/1988
4	Sri. J.N. Srinivasa Murthy	12/10/1988	24/01/1997
5	Sri. M.J. Indrakumar	24/01/1997	31/05/1999
6	Sri. R.H. Raddi	01/06/1999	02/06/2000
7	Sri. B.A. Muchandi	03/06/2000	18/05/2002
8	Sri. D. Krishnappa	27/05/2002	13/09/2004
9	Sri. B.S. Reddy	13/09/2004	18/11/2004
10	Sri. D. Krishnappa	18/11/2004	26/05/2005
11	Sri. Sudhakar A Pandit	26/05/2005	29/05/2006
12	Sri. L. Subramanya	29/05/2006	16/02/2009
13	Sri. A.C.Vidhyadhara (incharge)	16/02/2009	30/03/2009
14	Sri. Moosa Kunhi Nayar Moole	30/03/2009	03/10/2011
15	Sri. B. Yoginath (incharge)	04/10/2011	26/05/2013
16	Sri. H.R. Deshpande	27/6/2013	17/07/2015
17	Sri. M.S. Balakrishna (incharge)	17/07/2015	29/12/2015
18	Sri R.S. Patil (incharge)	29/12/2015	30/05/2016
19	Sri. H.M. Nanjundaswamy	30/05/2016	30/11/2019
20	Sri.C.Chandramallegowda (incharge)	30/11/2019	23/12/2019
21	Sri. B.V.Patil	23/12/2019	13/04/2020
22	Sri.C.Chandramallegowda	13/04/2020	13/05/2020
23	Smt.Usharani	13/05/2020	Till the end of financial year and continued

## INCUMBENCY OF ADGPS/IGPS IN THE KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA INSTITUTION

S1. No.	Name and Designation of the Officer	From	То
1.	Sri. A.R. Sridharan, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	15/01/1986	02/06/1986
2.	Sri. S.N.S. Murthy, IPS Inspector General of Police	02/06/1986	01/12/1988
3.	Sri. A.J. Anandan, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	15/12/1988	11/02/1991
4.	Sri. S.C. Burman, IPS Inspector General of Police	11/02/1991	13/04/1992
5.	Sri. Jai Parkash. I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	13/04/1992	11/12/1995
6.	Sri. R. Jagannathan, I.P.S., Director General of Police	23/12/1992	26/04/1995
7.	Sri. S.N. Borker, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	17/09/1992	12/12/1995
8.	Dr. S. Krishnamurthy, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	11/12/1995	15/03/1996
9.	Sri. K.U. Shetty, I.P.S., Director General of Police	14/12/1995	31/10/1997
10.	Sri. M.D. Singh, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	29/03/1996	23/05/1997
11.	Sri. B.N.P Albuquerque, I.P.S., Inspector General of Police	07/06/1997	08/07/1999
12.	Sri. B.N.P Albuquerque, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police	09/07/1999	13/07/2004
13.	Sri. B.N.P. Albuquerque, I.P.S., Director General of Police.	14/07/2004	30/11/2004

S1. No.	Name and Designation of the Officer	From	То
14.	Sri. Lal Rokhuma Pachuau, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police	22/06/2005	03/10/2007
15.	Sri. Rupak Kumar Dutta, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police	03/10/2007	04/05/2011
16.	Sri. Pranob Mohanty, I.P.S., Dy. Inspector General of Police (in-charge ADGP)	05/05/2011	09/08/2011
17.	Sri .G.V. Gaonkar, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police.	10/08/2011	11/11/2011
18.	Sri. H.N.Sathyanarayana Rao, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police.	11/11/2011	24/11/2014
19.	Sri. Prem Shankar Meena, I.P.S., Addl. Director General of Police.	24/11/2014	01/01/2016
20.	Dr. S. Parashiva Murthy, I.P.S., Addl.Director General of Police.	02/01/2016	02/11/2017
21	Sri. Sanjay Sahay, I.P.S., Addl.Director General of Police.	02/11/2017	19/09/2018
22	Dr. A.S.N.Murthy, I.P.S., Addl.Director General of Police.	19/09/2018	17/2/2021
23	Sri Prashant Kumar Thakur, IPS Addl. Director General of Police,	18/2/2021	Continued till date

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### Chapter-8

# DETAILS OF PRO-ACTIVE MEASURES TAKEN BY HON'BLE LOKAYUKTA DURING THE YEAR 2020-21 (01.04.2020 to 31.03.2021)

# I. The following are some of the suo-moto cases/complaints taken-up by Hon'ble Lokayukta, which are of general and public interest - (01.04.2020 to 31.3.2021) -

#### 1) No.Compt/LOK/BD/214/2021/ARLO-2

On 22.01.2021 one Sri Revanna, Extension Officer, Sericulture Department, Koratagere, Tumakuru District, who was a physically handicapped came over to this office with certain issues and was little disturbed. Though, he did not co-operate in putting forward his real grievance on the ground of his displeasure, however, having regard to the circumstances to which he is placed, Hon'ble Lokayukta took a sympathetic view without being carried away by the way he acted and felt it is desirable to examine his grievance and try to redress his grievance if he is entitled to in accordance with law. Later, as per the instructions of Hon'ble Lokayukta, when the Secretary to Hon'ble Lokayukta verified from one Sri Balakrishna, Deputy Director, Sericulture Department, Tumakuru, he had orally informed that Sri Revanna was undergoing dialysis treatment and for reimbursement of his bills of around Rs.2.00 lakhs, which was pending for consideration with the authorities, would be reimbursed only on the release of the funds by the Zilla Panchayath, Tumakuru. Considering on the said information as source material, a suo-motu proceeding was initiated by Hon'ble Lokayukta and notice was issued to (1) The Commissioner for Sericulture Development and Director of Sericulture, M.S.Building, Bengaluru (2) The Deputy Commissioner, Tumakuru District, Tumakuru (3) The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayath, Tumakuru (4) The Deputy Director, Sericulture

Department, Tumakuru & (5) The Assistant Director, Sericulture Department, Koratagere, Tumakuru District, for their comments/reply. Further, the Deputy Director, Sericulture Department, Tumakuru was also directed to ascertain the correct facts/grievance of Sri Revanna and submit report.

Pursuant to the notice, respondents have submitted their comments indicating that the grievance of Sri Revanna has been redressed. When the comments and other documents submitted by the respondents were forwarded to Sri Revanna seeking his rejoinder, he has submitted his rejoinder dated 23.3.2021 admitting the fact that he has received a sum of Rs.1,64,440/-, (Rupees One lakh sixty four thousand four hundred and forty only) Rs.43,330/- (Rupees Forty three thousand three hundred and thirty only) and Rs.54,350/- (Rupees Fifty four thousand three hundred and fifty only) towards the medical reimbursements and Rs.3,43,500/- (Rupees Three lakhs forty three thousand five hundred only) towards the arrears of salary. Further, he has regretted for not disclosing his grievance and the way he acted on dated.22.01.2021 and subsequently it was closed.

#### 2) No.Compt/LOK/BCD/1710/2020/ARE-1 -

In Kannada daily newspaper "Vijaya Karnataka" dated 04.09.2020, a news item was published indicating that one Master Mahesha who was a student of Government School at Jeevanbhima Nagar in Bengaluru had scored highest marks in SSLC examination and since he hails from a poor migrant family, the Care Works Foundation has taken the responsibility of providing education to the said Mahesha who had joined Amrutha Bharathi Pre-University College, Hebri Taluk, Udupi District. Though Hon'ble Minister for Primary and Secondary Education, Karnataka who had visited

hutment in Malleshpalya where Master Mahesha was residing with his mother Smt.Mallamma, had assured to provide her a Labour Card and directed the concerned officers/officials to make arrangement for providing the Labour Card immediately, the concerned officers/officials have failed to provide the Labour Card to Smt.Mallamma and to add the name of Sri Vishwaraj, who is the elder brother of Master Mahesha in the ration card. The Hon'ble Lokayukta considering the said news item as source material and inaction on the part of the concerned officers/officials in providing labour card to Smt.Mallamma amounts to mal-administration within the meaning of Section 2(10) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Sec. 7(1)(b) and 9(3)(a) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, initiated a suo-moto impleading - (1) Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru (2) The Director, Pre-University Education, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru (3) The Commissioner of Labour and Chief Executive Officer, Koushalya Bhavan, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru & (4) The Commissioner, Food & Civil Supplies Department, Cunnigham Road, Bengaluru, as respondents and directed them to submit the Action Taken Report.

Pursuant to the notice issued, Respondent No.3, the Commissioner of Labour and Chief Executive Officer, has submitted a Status Report dated 6.11.2020 stating that on 16.10.2020 labour card was issued to the mother of Master Mahesh and considering the case of Master Mahesh as a special case, the Karnataka Building and other Construction Employees Welfare Board on 30.09.2020 has made a resolution to pay a sum of Rs.1,65,000/- (Rupees One lakh sixty five thousand only) to the mother of Master Mahesh to meet the educational expenses of her son.

Respondent No.2, Director, Pre-University Education, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru has submitted a Status Report dated 3.3.2021, stating that Master Mahesh had joined Amrutha Bharati P.U. College, Hebri Taluk, Udupi District and presently he is staying in hostel located within the college campus.

In the light of the reports submitted by the Respondents No.1 to 3, it is clear that the concerned authorities have redressed the grievance of Master Mahesh and his mother highlighted in the news item published in Kannada daily news paper "Vijaya Karnataka" dated 4.9.2020.

#### 3) No.Compt/LOK/BGM-1124/2020/ARE-20 -

Superintendent of Police-5, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru has submitted an investigation report dated 16.06.2020 which had revealed that though under National Health Scheme sufficient grants were being allotted to the District Hospital, Haveri District, Dr. Nagaraj Naik, District Surgeon, Haveri District has failed to take steps to provide basic facilities such as drinking water, sitting facility etc., to the patients. The investigation report had also further revealed that the District Surgeon has failed to pay salary to his subordinate doctors working in the said hospital, and he was in the habit of discriminating the colleague Doctors and was not punctual in attending the hospital and not maintaining the bio-metric and attendance register which in turn had caused inconvenience to the patients who visits the hospital for treatment. Further, it was also mentioned in the report that the District Surgeon was accepting bribe through some agents for issuing disability certificate, age certificate, physical fitness certificates etc., Based on the investigation report, and with view to redress the grievances/hardship being faced by the poor patients who visits the

Government Hospital, a suo-motu case was taken up by the Hon'ble Lokayukta and comments were called from the respondent Dr. Nagaraj Naik, District Surgeon, Haveri District. The respondent has submitted his comments dated 05.08.2020 denying the allegations made against him and the matter is now pending for final scrutiny before the Scrutiny Officer.

#### 4) No.Compt/LOK/BCD/2160/2020/ARE-1 -

In "Prajavani" daily dated 28.10.2020, a news item was published highlighting that 532 out source based Principals, Teachers and other staff who were working in Morarji Desai, Kitturu Rani Chennamma Residential Schools which comes under the control of Social Welfare Department have not paid salary for the past few months and though they have made representation to the then Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare Department and to the Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka, Social Welfare Department, to release of their salaries, no positive steps were being taken by the concerned authorities in redressing the grievances of the Principals and Teachers. Based on the news item published in the aforesaid news paper, Hon'ble Lokayukta had initiated a suomotu proceeding and notices were issued calling for comments from -(1) The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Department, Bengaluru (2) The Commissioner, Social Welfare Department, Bengaluru & (3) The Managing Director, Karnataka Residential Educational Institutions, Cunnigham Road, Bengaluru.

Respondent No.3 has submitted a Status Report dated 20.11.2020 stating that steps have been taken to make the payment towards salaries of Principals, guest lecturers, teachers etc., The

comments of other respondents are yet to receive and the same is pending for consideration before the Scrutiny Officer.

#### 5) No.Compt/LOK/BGM-2573/2020/ARLO-3 -

On the complaint dated 19.07.2014 given by one Sri Suraj Kudatarakar, R/o.Shastrinagar, Hulabatti Colony, Belagavi, Hon'ble Lokayukta had directed the Superintendent of Police, Karnataka Lokayukta, Belagavi to conduct an investigation and report. The Investigation Report dated 26.09.2018 which prima-facie revealed that there has been manipulation of revenue records and creation of false documents relating to the title of the party. Hence, a suo-motu proceeding was initiated by the Hon'ble Lokayukta in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 7(1)(b) & 9(3)(a) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act and notice were issued to the respondents referred to in the report and their comments are awaited.

#### 6) No.Compt/LOK/BCD/146/2021/ARE-1 -

A note dated 22.12.2020 was received by the Registrar, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru, from the Addl. Director General of Police, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru, with regard to the problem faced by a candidate namely Sri Prashanth C. Hiremath CET No.1082 regarding Bank draft for required amount in Medical Mop Up Round by the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA).

It was submitted that on 20.12.2020 the said Sri Prashanth C. Hiremath had participated in the Medical Mop Up Round and though he was required to produce the Bank Draft for Rs.9 lakhs for selection of a Government MBBS seat, he took Bank Draft for only Rs.2.04 lakhs and he was ready to pay the balance amount through online or by cash to KEA, Bengaluru. However, he was not allowed to pay the balance amount through online or by cash and was insisted to produce Bank Draft for Rs.9 lakhs within 5.00 p.m. on

the same day. Since, he did not produce the Bank Draft for a sum of Rs.9 lakh, the seat which was allotted to him was allotted in favour of someone else. On the next day i.e., on 21.12.2020, the aforesaid candidate was asked to bring the Bank Draft for Rs.18 lakhs for Mop Up Round towards the allotment of MBBS Seat at SDM College, Dharwad.

Further, Dr. Channa Basavaraj Hiremath, father of the said candidate had also informed the Addl. Director General of Police, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru that a counter of Indian Bank, Malleshwaram was opened inside KEA, Bengaluru premises and it could issue Bank Drafts. However, this fact was neither known to him nor brought to his knowledge by KEA, Bengaluru, and if this fact was known to him, he could have got the MBBS seat for his son for Rs.9 lakhs instead of Rs.18 lakhs. Further, on perusal of the KEA rules it indicated that the prescribed fees has to be compulsorily paid in the form of demand draft and not by any other mode i.e., online, by cash or by cheque. Hence, with a view to redress the grievance of the hardship being faced by the students, a suo-moto proceeding was initiated by Hon'ble Lokayukta and comments were called for from the respondents i.e., Secretary, Karnataka Examination Authority and the Secretary, Medical Education Department, Bengaluru and their comments/reply was awaited and subsequently the comments from the respondents were received and subsequently the matter was closed.

#### 7) No.Compt/LOK/BCD/613/2021/ARE-1 -

In "The New Indian Express" dated 24.02.2021, a news item with the heading "Hop, skip and jump takes a new meaning at this school" was published highlighting the difficulty being faced by the students to reach the school, as there was no proper access road

to reach the Government Primary School at Vignana Nagara, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru. Further, the news item also indicated that since there is no access road to the school in question, the mid-day meal van also cannot reach the school premises and the parents feared to send their children to the school in question. It is also reported that during the survey conducted by the Tahsildar, it was revealed that a private builder has encroached upon 6 meters of land and the parents of the school children and localities have demanded for removal of the encroachment to create access road to the school. The Hon'ble Lokayukta considering the said news item as source material and with a view to redress the grievance of the students of the said school initiated a suo-motu proceeding under Sec. 7(1)(b) and 9(3)(a) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, by impleading (1) The Principal Secretary to Government, Education Department (Primary & Secondary Education), Bengaluru (2) The Commissioner of Public Instructions, Bengaluru (3) The Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Urban District (4) The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayath, Bengaluru (5) The Tahsildar, Bengaluru East Taluk (6) The Deputy Director of Public Instructions, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru and (7) The Block Education Officer, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru, as respondents and directed them to submit their comments/ Status Report.

However, before the order could be signed, the 'New Indian Express' has published a news item on 26.02.2021 with a heading that "Students happy, school to get a road soon". Further, the news items had indicated that the Hon'ble Minister for Primary & Secondary Education had visited the school in question and assured that the road would come up within a month.

Subsequently, the Addl. Director General of Police, Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru, had submitted a note dated 04.03.2021 along with the enclosures, photographs etc., indicating that the said School is surrounded by private properties and therefore there is no direct access to the road and it has come to the light that notice has been issued to the owner of the property bearing survey No.15/2 with instructions to allow the entry of students and teachers to the school.

Pursuant to the notice, Respondent No.7 Block Education Officer, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru has submitted a Status Report dated 19.3.2021 stating that the wall constructed by the private parties/neighbouring owner of the land obstructing the access to the school has been demolished with the assistance of the Tahsildar and jurisdictional police and steps have also been taken to provide a permanent road to the school in question. Along with the report, the photographs indicating that the wall has been demolished and steps have been taken for providing a permanent road to the school in question are produced. Further investigation was pending awaiting the comments of other respondents and it is pending before the Scrutiny Officer.

#### 8) No.Compt/LOK/BCD/780/2021/ARE-1 -

In "The New Indian Express' daily dated 20.03.2021, a news item with the caption "Approval for conversion of land up to 10 cents must be decentralized: MLAs" highlighted the anguish and concern of the four Hon'ble Members of the Legislative Assembly of Karnataka i.e., (1) Sri Raghupathi Bhat, representing Udupi Assembly Constituency (2) Sri K.G.Bopaiah, representing Virajpet Assembly Constituency (3) Sri Abhay Patil, representing Belagavi Assembly Constituency and (4) Sri K.Ramesh Kumar, representing

Srinivasapura Assembly Constituency in the matter of maladministration on the part of the Town Planning Authority of Urban Development Department, Bengaluru.

Further, the news item also indicated the anguish and concern of the aforesaid four Hon'ble Members of the Legislative Assembly of Karnataka with regard to the negligence, dereliction of duty including corruption which amounts to mal-administration within the meaning of Sec.2(10) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984. The news item also indicated that atleast 2000 applications which were filed seeking grant of approval for conversion of agricultural land are pending and most of the applications are from poor people seeking conversion of small plots to construct houses. It also indicated that Udupi Urban Development Authority had approved the conversion of land for residential purposes and forwarded the same to the Town Planning Authority of Urban Development Department in Bengaluru which is being pending for about 2 years. Hence, the Hon'ble Lokayukta has considered the news item referred to above regarding the deep concern expressed by the Hon'ble Members of the Legislative Assembly of Karnataka is sufficient to treat as a source material to institute a suo-motu proceedings in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec.7(1)(b) and 9(3)(a) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984 and to get the investigation conducted with regard to the maladministration if any against the concerned public servants and also to redress the grievances of the members of the public.

The comments/reports were called for from the officers of the State, Town Planning Department etc., regarding the number of requests/applications pending before them, with specific observations regarding the applications pending beyond the period prescribed for disposal; The duration/time taken by them for

disposal of such applications; Whether such applications have been disposed of within 90 days as required under Rule 36(2) of the Karnataka Planning Authority Rules, 1965; if not the reasons for not disposing of the same.

Further, directions was issued to the Member Secretary, BIAPPA, Bengaluru Rural District regarding the number of requests/applications for sanction of plan pending before the BDA beyond the period prescribed for disposal; duration/time taken by them for disposal of such applications and the reasons for not disposing of the applications within six months etc.,

The comments/reports of the respondents are awaited as on 31.03.2021. However, subsequently comments from the respondents were received and now it is pending before the Scrutiny Officer for taking final decision.

## II. Webinar and Book release function attended by Hon'ble Lokayukta –

- (1) On 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021, Hon'ble Lokayukta had participated in the webinar held by Parul Institute of Law, Parul University, Gujarat and delivered a lecture on the subject "Lokpal and Lokayukta Act".
- (2) On 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021, Hon'ble Lokayukta was the Chief Guest for release of Coffee Table Book titled "Leader of the Bar", published on the occasion of the Office of the Advocate General having completed 75 years. The other dignitaries invited to the function were the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka, the Hon'ble Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs and the Chairman, Karnataka State Law Commission.

#### DETAILS OF PRO-ACTIVE MEASURES TAKEN BY HON'BLE UPA-LOKAYUKTA DURING THE YEAR 2020-21 (01.04.2020 to 31.03.2021)

- 1. Even though a single complaint was filed alleging negligence, several suo-motu complaints were registered against Tahsildars of different Taluks, seeking information about the pendency of cases before them, monthly institution of cases, monthly disposals, disposal of old cases on priority, reasons for long pendency, when they were received, the time required for their speedy disposal, etc., and reports have been sought from Tahsildars in this regard. Periodical progress reports are also being called from them, so that no applications/petitions submitted before them shall be kept pending for a long period.
- 2. In respect of pendency of cases wherein reports under Section 12(1) and 12(3) are sent, inspite of periodical reminders, since no compliance reports were received, concerned authorities are being summoned to appear to give explanation, so that action taken reports are received from competent authorities concerned without undue delay.
- 3. In addition, where public interest is involved, such as encroachment of lakes, allegation of open defecation, misuse of funds and irregularities in selecting beneficiaries under various schemes of the Government and such other matters by registering suo-motu cases, they are being personally monitored by entrusting many of them to Sri Jayaprakash, Assistant Registrar of Legal Opinion, so that periodical progress reports are obtained and expeditious solutions are ensured.
- 4. Even during pandemic, inspections have been conducted in different districts coming under both Upalokayukta-1 & 2

jurisdiction. The districts covered in this regard are Udupi, Dakshina Kannada, Vijayapura, Bagalkot, Mandya and Mysuru. Special emphasis is given to Covid Control measures by involving the District Health & Family Welfare Officers and other officials of Health & Family Welfare Services Department apart from the District Administration. Instructions are issued to provide expeditious, efficient and effective health care to the people residing in villages who are infected by Covid 19 virus by extending service through the health workers and task force constituted at Grama Panchayath level.

5. Keeping in mind the impending threat of third wave of Covid 19, which is like to affect mostly children, instructions are given to the District Administration during inspection of hospitals and meetings of officials to motivate and sensitize the task force at Grama Panchayath level to create awareness in the villagers and the general public regarding the safety measures to be adopted to protect the children. Reports are called for regarding the progress made in this connection.

(USHARANI) REGISTRAR KARNATAKA LOKAYUKTA BENGALURU