BEFORE THE HON'BLE LOKAYUKTA Justice Manmohan Sarin

Complaint No. C-1356/Lok/2012

Sh. Rajesh Garg,

Complainant

Vs.

Sh. Vijender Gupta

Respondent

Present :-

1. Sh. Rajesh Garg, Complainant.

The Complainant submits that the Respondent has put signboards and hoardings at various public places, contrary to EPCA guidelines and even on the central verge. The Complainant claims that this has been done without permission from the MCD. He has attached several photographs in support. He claims these to be in contravention of the provisions of "The Prevention of damage to the Public Property Act, 1984" and "The Delhi Prevention of Defacement of Property Act, 2007". Apart from this, he submits that the said signboards and hoardings have been put without permission from the MCD and other local authorities. Some of the signboards are even an obstruction to the pedestrians. He says that the Respondent has himself or has caused various signboards and hoardings etc. to be erected. Since these have been put up unauthorizedly, they are also a loss to the exchequer.

The Complainant is directed to file within a week a list giving the exact location and description of the various signboards and hoardings etc. which are claimed to have been put or caused to have been put up by the Respondent. Additionally, when the Complainant file a list of such signboards and hoardings etc. which are not on Municipal Land or Road and come under other authorities such as PWD, DDA or CPWD, the specific details of the signboards and hoardings etc. and exact location and authority concerned be furnished.

Notice would then be issued to the concerned authorities for verification and report on permissions if any obtained for the said signboards/hoardings.

Issue notice to the Respondent to show cause as to why inquiry under Section 7 read with section 2 (b) (i) of the Delhi Lokayukta and Upalokayukta Act, 1995, be not held in respect of allegations in the complaint.

Notice be also issued to the Commissioner, MCD to have the factum of these signboards and hoardings etc. verified and submit its report. The MCD in its report apart from the confirmation of the signboards and hoardings etc. of the Respondent, shall also give particulars of signboards and hoardings etc. of other Public Functionaries i.e MLAs and Municipal Councillors in the Zones falling in North Delhi.

Renotify the matter on 24th of May, at 2.30 P.M.

Lokayukta

Dated: 11.04.2012

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