

Lokpal of India
Plot No.6, Vasant Kunj Institutional Area – Phase-II
New Delhi – 110070

Complaint No. : 319/2025 (arising out of Dy. No.4552025)

Date : 17.10.2025

Coram : **Shri Justice L. Narayana Swamy**
Member

Shri Justice Sanjay Yadav
Member

Shri Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi
Member

Shri Pankaj Kumar
Member

ORDER

1. The complaint dated 04.10.2025 is made against Vice Chancellor, Sathyabama University Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu. The complainant has alleged that the public servant misused his authority by enforcing gender segregation in classrooms, preventing male and female students from sitting together resulting in gender discrimination and has caused mental distress to students who raised concerns. The complainant further alleges that the institute has intimidated students and their parents to withdraw complaint,



threatening them with academic repercussions such as not being allowed to write exams. The complainant requested urgent interim relief to ensure that the complainant is allowed to write upcoming exams without obstruction or intimidation, and protection from further threats or coercions by the college authorities.

2. The Registry has pointed out the following defect in its Scrutiny Report dated 07.10.2025

- a. *"The complaint has not enclosed duly signed and notarized affidavit on a non-judicial stamp paper with the complaint.*
- b. *The complainant has mentioned the organization's name instead of the name of public servant against whom complaint is being made (S.No.1 of Part-C of the complaint form).*
- c. *The complainant has provided particulars/ list of documents; however, he has not enclosed supporting documents with the complaint form. However, only 1 document is attached which is provided at S.No.3 in this column (S.No.12 of Part-C of the complaint form).*
- d. *The complainant has not enclosed a signed statement of allegations with the complaint form.*
- e. *The complaint has been received through Online Portal; however, the physical copy of the same has not been received. Since the parts of the complaint form*



are generated by the Lokpal Online portal the same are unsinged".

3. As a procedural practice, usually we grant two weeks' time to cure the defects. But in the instant case, the allegation is against the public servants of the State of Tamil Nadu. Even if time is granted to cure the defects, it will be an exercise in futility.
4. As the Public servants are working under the control of State or for the State, they do not come within the ambit of Section 14 of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013.
5. Accordingly, the complaint is closed and disposed of, being beyond the jurisdiction of the Lokpal. Complainant is free to pursue his grievance before the appropriate forum, if so advised.

Sd/-
(Justice L Narayana Swamy)
Member

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(Justice Sanjay Yadav)
Member

Sd/-
(Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi)
Member

Sd/-
(Pankaj Kumar)
Member


(Court Master)

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