

No.21/2/2014-CS.I(PR/CMS)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
Department of Personnel and Training
CS.I Division

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Dated the 16th July, 2015

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: The Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013- Submission of declaration of assets and liabilities by CSS officers - regarding.

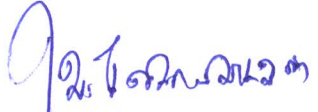
The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. of even number dated 9th and 23rd April, 2015 regarding declaration of assets and liabilities by CSS officers under the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 and to state that vide Notifications dated 27.4.2015 the last date for filing of returns by public servants under the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 as on 1.8.2014 and as on 31.3.2015 has been extended to 15th October, 2015.

2. All CSS Officers are requested to file the returns for the year 2014 (as on 1.8.2014) and for the year 2015 (as on 31.3.2015) on line at cscms.nic.in at the earliest. **All officers of US and above levels of CSS should also take a print out of the return filed on line and submit to this Department duly signed.**

3. Filing of returns at the last moment by thousands of officers makes the system sluggish and lead to delay in filing of the returns. In view of this, all CSS Officers are requested to file the returns at the earliest without waiting for the last date to approach to avoid rush and slowing down of the system at the last moment.

4. Ministries/Departments are requested that the contents of this O.M. may be widely circulated to the notice of all CSS officers working under their control. They should also monitor and ensure that the returns are submitted by all officers within the stipulated period without fail through Web Based Cadre Management System.

5. A copy of FAQs on Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act,s 2013 circulated by this Department is also attached for information.


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All Ministries/Departments(through DoP&T's website)

**FAQs WITH REPLIES/INFORMATION, IN RESPECT OF LOKPAL AND
LOKAYUKTAS ACT, 2013**

<p>1. Whether the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 has come into force?</p>	<p>Yes, vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 119(E) dated 16-01-2014, the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 (1 of 2014 has come into force from the said date.</p> <p>However, the institution of Lokpal is yet to become functional, since the Act needs some amendments, <i>inter alia</i>, so as to resolve certain issues relating to appointment of Chairperson and Members of Lokpal, etc. in the absence of a Leader of Opposition recognized as such in the Lok Sabha. For this purpose, a Bill has been introduced in Parliament and is currently under consideration of the Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances and Law and Justice.</p>
<p>2. What are the Rules and Orders notified under the provisions of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013?</p>	<p>The Rules and Orders notified under the Act so far, are as follows:-</p> <p>(a) The Public Servants (Furnishing of Information and Annual Return of Assets and Liabilities and the Limits for Exemption of Assets in Filing Returns) Rules, 2014 [notified vide Gazette. Notification No. G.S.R. 501(E) dated 14-07-2014 amended vide Notification No. GSR No. 638(E) dated 08-09-2014]</p> <p>(b) The Public Servants (Furnishing of Information and Annual Return of Assets and Liabilities and the Limits for Exemption of Assets in Filing Returns) Second Amendment Rules, 2014. [notified vide Gazette Notification No. G.S.R. 918(E) dated 26-12-2014]</p> <p>(c) Search Committee (Constitution, Terms and Conditions of appointment of members and the manner of selection of Panel of Names for appointment of Chairperson and Members of Lokpal) Rules, 2014. [notified vide Gazette Notification No. G.S.R. 31(E) dated 17-01-2014].</p> <p>(d) Search Committee (Constitution, Terms and Conditions of appointment of members and the manner of selection of Panel of Names for appointment of Chairperson and Members of Lokpal) Amendment Rules, 2014. [notified vide Gazette Notification No. G.S.R. 620(E) dated 27-08-2014]</p> <p>(e) The Lokpal and Lokayuktas (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2014 [notified vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 409(E) dated 15-02-2014 with subsequent amendments having been made vide Notifications No. S.O. 1840(E) dated 14-07-2014, No. S.O. 2256(E) dated 08-09-2014 and No. S.O. 3272(E) dated 26-12-2014]</p> <p><i>The rules and orders as referred to above can be accessed by clicking on the links above.</i></p>
<p>3. What is the jurisdiction of Lokpal in respect of Inquiry?</p>	<p>Please see Section 14 of the <u>Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013</u> (1 of 2014).</p>

