

Home Department - Police Department - Construction of Police Technology Centre at SAP Campus, Thiruvananthapuram - completion of the remaining work through KPHCC - Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

HOME (E) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1520/2024/HOME Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 31-05-2024

Read:-1) G.O.(Rt) No.2459/2020/Home dated 20.10.2020.

2) G.O.(Rt)No.1733/2021/Home dated 22.06.2021.

Letter No.H11(b)-17607/2020/PHQ dated 3) 29.07.2022, 01.08.2022, 23.11.2022, 09.05.2023, 19.01.2024, 11.03.2024 &11.04.2024 from the State Police Chief, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

<u>ORDER</u>

Government have accorded administrative sanction for the construction of building for the Police Technology Centre at SAP Campus under State Plan Scheme 2020-2021 for an amount of Rs.580Lakh as per Government Order read as 1st paper above and for continuation of the project under State Plan Scheme 2021-22 for an amount of Rs.498.06Lakh, as per order read as 2nd paper above.

2) The State Police Chief, as per letters read above, has informed that work order was issued to the Habitat Technology Group for an amount of Rs.7,98,81,000/- on 03.02.2021 for the completion of construction. Technical sanction was also accorded and an amount of Rs.1,59,26,700/- was paid to the firm as mobilisation advance. Later an amount of

Rs.1,41,49,058/- was paid as settlement of 1st part bill. The State Police Chief has also informed that after verifying the work done by the agency, it was found that the work was not done as per the agreement, and therefore the contract with the Habitat Technology Group signed on 23.10.2021 was terminated.

3) The consolidated bills for works done so far submitted by the Group were verified by the Chief Engineer, KPHCC and it was found that the value of actual work done including GST (@12% is for Rs.2,07,55,071/- only. In view of the above, the agency were directed to remit the balance amount of Rs.93,20,687/- retained by them, to the Treasury. Accordingly, the agency remitted back an amount of Rs.82,27,339/- in the treasury and requested time till 30/07/2022 to remit the balance amount of Rs.10,93,348/-. As per the version of the Habitat, Rs.9,58,725.75/- is the centage charge for the agency and Rs.1,72,570.64/- is the GST, which is already remitted to the authorities. The State Police Chief has informed that the Department has penalised the agency the centage charges applicable to the work.

4) In the meanwhile, the firm M/s. Habitat Technology Group has requested to absolve them from the remaining work after paying them the amount which was imposed as penalty. Hence the State Police Chief has requested to issue permission to execute the remaining construction of Police Technology Centre, through Kerala Police Housing & Construction Corporation (KPHCC), the in-house agency for undertaking Police works. The State Police Chief has informed that KPHCC submitted plan and estimate of Rs.580 Lakh to execute the balance works.

5) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord sanction to complete the remaining work in connection with the construction of Police Technology Centre at SAP Campus, Thiruvananthapuram through Kerala Police Housing & Construction Corporation, at the risk and cost of M/s.Habitat since M/s.Habitat Technology Group has requested to absolve them from the above work. M/s Habitat Group is eligible for centage charges @4.50%.

6) The State Police Chief shall take necessary action for convening the Technical Sanction Committee meeting chaired by the Additional Chief Secretary(Home&Vig).

(By order of the Governor) BISHWANATH SINHA ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

To:

The State Police Chief, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Finance Department. (vide Exp-A3/9/2023/Fin (2309069) dated 06.09.2023)
The Director, I&PRD (Web & New media)
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