



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Vigilance Department- Final report of Vigilance Tribunal, Thiruvananthapuram in Enquiry Case No. 2/2015- Disciplinary action against Sri. Raj Kumar G., former Sub Inspector of Police of Venjarammodu Police Station- Finalised- Orders issued.

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### VIGILANCE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.17/2026/VIG Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28-06-2026

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- Read 1) Letter No.E11(VC2/2015/TVM)8370/2015 dated 25.01.2017 from the Director, Vigilance & Anti-Corruption Bureau.
- 2) G.O.(Rt) 197/2018/VIG Dated 15.11.2018.
- 3) Letter No. EC 02/2018/VT dated 30.03.2026 from Vigilance Tribunal, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 4) Representation dated 05/2026 submitted by Sri. Raj Kumar G.

### ORDER

A Vigilance Case VC 2/2015/TVM has been registered u/s 7 PC Act 1988 on 25.02.2015 by Vigilance & Anti-Corruption Bureau, Thiruvananthapuram Unit against Sri. Raj Kumar G., Sub Inspector of Police, Venjaramood Police Station, Thiruvananthapuram Rural (dist). on the basis of a petition submitted by Sri.Renjith, alleging that Sri.Raj Kumar G., Sub Inspector of Police, Venjaramood Police Station demanded bribe of Rs. 1,00,000/- (after negotiation the bribe amount was reduced to Rs.50,000/-) for exempting him from to be booked under KAAPA (Kerala Anti Social Activities Prevention Act).

2. The investigation revealed that the accused demanded bribe from W1 viz. Sri.Renjith for relaxing the bail conditions and exempting him from the proceedings under KAAPA. But the trap attempted twice to be

laid on the accused ended in failure as the accused had not accepted the the bribe money. To establish demand of illegal gratification, the version of the complainant and the CD conversation between the accused and the complainant are the only materials. The voice of the accused was not identified as he was reluctant to subject to the test. As there is no material showing acceptance of any amount as bribe by the accused, offence u/s 13(1)(d) r/w 13(2) will not have any application in this case. Since the investigation of the case prima facie revealed certain allegations on the part of the accused officer that warranted initiation of disciplinary proceedings against the accused, Director, Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau as per letter read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above recommended for a Vigilance Tribunal enquiry for examining into the allegations against the accused officer .

3. Government after examining the matter in detail and referred charges framed against Sri. G. Rajkumar, SI of Police, Venjaramood Police station to Vigilance Tribunal , Thiruvananthapuram for conducting a detailed enquiry under the provisions of Kerala Civil Services (Vigilance Tribunal) Rules, 1960 vide Government order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above.

4.The Vigilance Tribunal after conducting detailed enquiry, submitted its final report as per letter read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above. The report states that on a comprehensive evaluation of the witness depositions and the documentary as well as oral evidence on record, the Tribunal entertains a reasonable doubt as to whether the Accused officer has maintained absolute integrity and complete devotion to duty towards his office and the department he serves. Further the report states that though the trap attempt conducted by the Vigilance was not successful, the defence has failed to effectively discredit the prosecution's case that the accused

officer had communicated with the complainant and had demanded bribe. In this circumstances the Vigilance Tribunal found that the allegations against the accused officer stood proved and held the accused guilty. Hence taking into consideration that the past service of Sri G. Rajkumar, former Sub-Inspector of Venjaramoodu Police Station, has not been adverse, Tribunal recommended to temporarily withhold one annual increment of Sri G. Rajkumar, former Sub-Inspector of Venjaramoodu Police Station, for a period of one year u/r 11(1)3 of the Kerala Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1960.

5. The accused officer, vide representation cited 3<sup>rd</sup> above, has submitted that during his tenure as Sub-Inspector at Venjaramoodu Police Station, he had arrested Shri Ranjith, an accused in Crime No. 1904/2014, and out of that animosity, the latter filed a complaint against him before the Vigilance. He further stated that VACB (Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau), after completing the investigation in VC 2/2015/TVM registered on this matter, submitted a Final Report (FAD) due to lack of evidence, and the court accepted the said report, ordering the closure of all connected proceedings on 20.01.2017 . He contends that while this order was in force, the inquiry conducted against him by the Vigilance Tribunal was unjust and amounted to a denial of justice. Therefore, pointing out that he is undergoing treatment for various health issues, he has requested to exempt him from further disciplinary action.

6. Government have examined the Vigilance Enquiry Report and the representation submitted by Sri. Rajkumar, in detail. A thorough examination of the verdict of the Vigilance Tribunal reveals that its findings are based predominantly on witness testimony rather than on material evidence. There is no conclusive or independent evidence establishing that the accused officer accepted a bribe, and both trap attempts ended unsuccessfully. It is also pertinent to note that

proceedings before the Tribunal are governed by the standard of "preponderance of probabilities" rather than the stricter criminal standard of "proof beyond a reasonable doubt." In such circumstances, reliance solely on probabilistic inferences may not be sufficient to cast a stigma on an officer whose long and unblemished service record has been acknowledged by the Tribunal itself.

7. In the above circumstances, Government hereby order that all charges against Sri. Raj Kumar G., Former Sub Inspector of Police, Venjarammoodu Police Station, Thiruvananthapuram, be dropped and he is fully exonerated in view of the absence of sufficient evidence to establish the alleged demand or acceptance of bribe. The disciplinary action is finalized accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)

BISHWANATH SINHA  
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

1. The Vigilance Tribunal, Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L)
2. Sri. Raj Kumar G., Former Sub inspector of Police, Venjarammoodu Police Station, Thiruvananthapuram (Through the State Police Chief, Thiruvananthapuram)
3. The State Police Chief, Thiruvananthapuram
4. The Director Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau, Thiruvananthapuram
5. Home Department
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