



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government Department - Establishment - order dtd 22.08.2025 in OA(EKM)1307/2025 filed by Sri.Prajeesh Kumar M, Public Health Inspector Grade II, Payyoli Municipality, Kozhikodu-complied with - Orders issued.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (EPA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1183/2026/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 25-06-2026

Read 1 GO(P) No. 1/91/P&ARD, 07/01/1991.

2 GO(Ms)No.128/2014/LSGD, dtd 17.07.2014.

3 Proceedings No. LSGD/PD/13653/2025-DEB5 dtd 17.08.2025 of Principal Director.

4 Appeal dtd 19.08.2025 submitted by ri.Prajeesh Kumar M.

Order dtd 22.08.2025 in OA(EKM)1307/2025 filed by 5 Sri.Prajeesh Kumar M before Kerala Administrative Tribunal.

6 Letter No. LSGD/PD/35198/2025-LL2 dtd 13.11.2025 of Principal Director, Local Self Government Department.

ORDER

Sri.Prajeesh Kumar M, Public Health Inspector Grade II, Payyoli Municipality, Kozhikodu filed OA(EKM)1307/2025 before Kerala Administrative Tribunal challenging his transfer upon grade promotion.

2. Sri.Prajeesh Kumar M was intially appointed as Sanitary Inspector by the Deputy Director of Panchayat. The qualification for appointment to the post of Sanitary Inspector in Panchayath Department and Health Inspector Grade II in the Municipal Common Service is identical and the duties attached to both the posts are also same. Vide order read as 2nd paper above , Govt have re-designated the post of Sanitary Inspectors and Sanitary Inspectors Higher Grade as Health Inspector

Grade II and Health Inspector Grade I, respectively.

3. The applicant was granted ratio based higher grade by keeping the ratio of 2:1 in the category of Public Health Inspector Grade II and Public Health Inspector Grade I, the senior among the Public Health Inspector Grade II has been granted up-gradation with retrospective effect from 01.08.2020 and appointed in Balussery Gramapanchayat vide proceedings read as 3 rd paper above. The applicant preferred as appeal read as 4 th paper above to Government as contending that ratio upgradation involves no change in the nature of work or duties and should not necessitate a promotional transfer. He subsequently approached the Hon'ble Tribunal by filing OA(EKM)1307/2025 . The Hon'ble tribunal vide order read as 5 th paper above directed the first respondent, Secretary, LSGD to consider and pass orders on Annexure A4 appeal, as early as possible, at any rate within a period of one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The Principal Director, Local Self Government Department vide letter read as 6th paper above, reported that a grade 1 vacancy arose due to the retirement of Sri.Vasudevan Kariyad from the post of Public Health Inspector Grade I on 31.07.2020 was not filled. Since Sri.Suresh retired from the post of Public Health Inspector Grade I in Balussery Grama Panchayat on 31.01.2025, the vacancy for promotion to the said vacancy was existing in that panchayat. Sri. Prajeesh Kumar was transferred and promoted to that vacancy in Balussery Grama Panchayat. It is also reported that since the Deputy Director of Kozhikode Panchayat has granted higher grade promotion on a time-bound basis for eight years to Sri.Prajeesh Kumar, he can't possible to give up ratio higher grade promotion and not to continue in Payyoli Municipality.

5. Government have examined the matter in detail. As per Government order read as 1st above, stipulates the employees holding the posts with multiple grades can be transferred and posted against vacancies without taking into account the grade to which they belong provided the nature of work in different grades is identical, and the prescribed ratio for different grades is strictly maintained as per the sanctioned strength taking into account the concerned department as a single unit where promotion from lower grade to higher grades are made on a state wise basis. Accordingly Sri.Prajeesh Kumar M, Public Health Inspector Grade II, Payyoli Municipality, Kozhikodu(now in Balusseri Grama Panchayat) may be permitted to continue at the same

station, Payyoli Municipality despite his grade promotion, subject to the maintenance of sanctioned cadre strength.

6. In circumstances, sanction is hereby accorded to the Principal Director, Local Self Government Department to consider annexure A4 appeal, read as 4 th above and issue necessary orders by giving transfer to Payyoli Municipality, Kozhikodu ensuring sanctioned strength is maintained..

7. The order of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal dtd 22.08.2025 in OA(EKM)1307/2025 read as 5 th paper above is thus complied with accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)
Dr K ANIL JOY
DEPUTY SECRETARY

To:

Advocate General, Kerala, Eranakulam(with CL)

Principal Director, Local Self Government Department,
Thiruvananthapuram

Joint Director, Kozhikodu(Through the Principal Director,
Thiruvananthapuram)

Secretary, Payyoli Municipality, Kozhikodu(Through the Principal
Director, Thiruvananthapuram)

Sri.Prajeesh Kumar, Public Health Inspector Grade II, Payyoli
Municipality, Kozhikodu (Through the Principal Director,
Thiruvananthapuram)

Executive Director, IKM (for publishing in the website of LSGD)

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