

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Vigilance Department - Final report of Vigilance Tribunal, Kozhikkode in Enquiry case No.3/2016- Disciplinary action against Sri. Jayaram.P, Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector and Sri. Santhosh kumar.A, Office Attendant, Motor Vehicle Check Post, Meenakshipuram, Palakkad - Finalised - Orders issued.

VIGILANCE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.8/2025/VIG Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 27-03-2025

- Read 1 Letter No.E9(SC.138/2014/PKD)29794/2014 dated 29/10/2015 from Director, Vigilance & Anti-Curruption Bureau, Thiruvananthapuram.
 - 2 GO (Ms) No. 23/16/Vig, TVM dated 24.06.2016.
 - 3 Letter No. EC 3/2016/VTK dated 26.03.2021 from the Vigilance Tribunal, Kozhikode.
 - 4 Show Cause Notice No. Vig-A3/78/2021-Vig dated 16/10/2021 issued to Sri. Jayaram.P & Sri. Santhosh kumar.A.
 - Written Statement of Defence dated 08.11.2021 from Sri. 5 Jayaram.P.
 - Written Statement of Defence dated 19.11.2021 from Sri. Santhosh kumar.A.
 - 7 Letter No.G1/271/2020/TC dated 29.11.2021 from Transport Commissioner, Motor Vehicle Department
 - Government Letter No. Vig-A3/78/2021-Vig dated 27/02/2024 addressed to the Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram.
 - Letter No. A1-2/15/2024-KPSC dated 11/11/2024 from the 9 Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

A Surprise Check was conducted on 25.12.2014 from 01.00 Hrs at

Motor Vehicle Check Post at Meenakshipuram. During the Surprise Check the Surprise Check team found the presence of an agent named Sri.Satheesan inside the check post for taking away the collected bribe amount and seized an unaccounted money of Rs.12,850/- from him which was entrusted by Shri.Jayaram.P, Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector and Shri.Santhosh kumar.A, Office Attendant, for which they could not satisfactorily account for. It is also noticed that no proper checking of vehicles is being carried out by the officials. The Director, Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau as per letter read 1st paper above has recommended for a detailed enquiry into the allegations against the accused officers by the Vigilance Tribunal.

- 2. The officers responsible for the irregularities noted in the surprise check are Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector Sri.P.Jayaram and Office attendant Sri.A.Santhoshkumar.
- 3. Government accepted the recommendation of the Director, Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau and accordingly specific charges were framed and memo of charges along with the statement of allegations were served to accused officers. The arguments put forth by the accused were not convincing. After obtaining the written statement of defence and all procedural formalities Government referred the charges against them to Vigilance Tribunal Kozhikode for a detailed enquiry under Kerala Civil Services (Vigilance Tribunal)Rules,1960 as per Government order read as 2nd paper above.
- 4. The Vigilance Tribunal, Kozhikode conducted a detailed enquiry into the allegation as Enquiry Case No.3/2016 and submitted its report as per the paper read 3rd above. The Tribunal observed that the accused officers are guilty of the charges framed against them. Hence the tribunal viewed that the ends of justice will be met by imposing a penalty of withholding increment of both the accused officers (Sri. Jayaram.P, AMVI and Sri. Santhosh Kumar.A, Office Attendant) with cumulative effect for two years as stipulated under Part V Rule II (vA) of Kerala Civil Services (Classification Control and

Appeal) Rules 1960 and recommended accordingly.

- 5. After examining the Enquiry report, Government took a provisional decision to accept the said recommendation and accordingly Show Cause Notice was issued to the accused officers intimating the provisional decision as per the paper read $4^{\rm th}$ above .
- 6. Government examined the whole matter in detail and the reply statement furnished by the accused officers to the Show Cause Notice as per the paper read 5th & 6th above. The contentions raised by the accused officers in the reply statements to the Show Cause Notice and in the hearing allowed to them on 20.10.2023, was neither satisfactory nor convincing. Government found that there is no valid reason to deviate from the provisional decision already taken in the matter. The advice of Kerala Public Service Commission was sought on the above tentative decision taken by Government in the matter as per the letter read as 8th paper above.
- 7. As per the letter read as 9th paper above, The Kerala Public Service Commission has informed that the commission examined the case in detail with connected records and offered comments and the commission advised the Government to finalize the disciplinary action against Sri.Jayaram.P, Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector and Sri.Santhosh Kumar.A ,Office Attendant

by withholding one increment of both the accused officers with cumulative effect for a period of two years.

8. Government after due consideration of all the facts, reports, recommendation and advise in the case as detailed above, hereby order that the disciplinary action initiated against Sri.Jayaram.P, Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector and Sri.Santhosh Kumar. A , Office Attendant is finalized by imposing the punishment of withholding one annual increment of both the

accused officers with cumulative effect for a period of two years, under Part V Rule II (1)(vA) of KCS (CC&A) Rules, 1960.

9. Transport Commissioner shall take further necessary action in this regard.

(By order of the Governor) SMITHA S JOINT SECRETARY

The Vigilance Tribunal, Kozhikode (with C/L)

3/2016/VTK) (Through Transport Commissioner)

Sri. Jayaram.P, Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector, Motor Vehicle Check Post,

Meenakshipuram, Palakkad (With a copy of Enquiry report, EC 3/2016/VTK) (Through Transport Commissioner)

Sri. Santhosh kumar.A, Office Attendant, Motor Vehicle Check Post, Meenakshipuram, Palakkad (With a copy of Enquiry report, EC

Transport Commissioner, Motor Vehicles Department, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director, Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram. (With C/L)

The Legal Adviser/ Additional Legal Adviser, V&ACB, Thiruvananthapuram

Transport Department

The Web & New Media, Information & Public Relations Department.

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