

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA****Abstract**

Scheduled Castes Scheduled Tribes Development Department – Scheduled Tribe- Malai Arayan claims of Sri. V. Purushothaman (Clerk (Rtd), SBT), Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan (Former Lascar (temporary) in Cochin Port Trust) and Sri. K. V. Raveendranathan (Clerk (Rtd), High School), Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki-Rejected - Orders issued.

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**SCHEDULED CASTES/SCHEDULED TRIBES DEVELOPMENT (G)  
DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(Ms)No.14/2026/SCSTD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 07-05-2026

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Read:- 1 Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court dated 17.10.2006 in O.P. No.3005/2000.

2 Proceedings No.G3/31/2024/SCSTDD dated 31.03.2026 of the Chairperson, Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates.

**ORDER**

The Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates, constituted under the Kerala (Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act, 1996, as per Proceedings read as 2 above rejected the Scheduled Tribe (Malai Arayan) claim of Sri. V. Purushothaman, Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan and Sri. K.V. Raveendranathan, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki district and recommended Government to take further action to issue orders in this regard.

2. Government have decided to accept the above recommendation and the Scheduled Tribe (Malai Arayan) claim of Sri. V. Purushothaman, Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan and Sri. K. V. Raveendranathan, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki district is hereby rejected with clarification on the following:

1) Sri. V. Purushothaman, Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan and Sri. K. V. Raveendranathan, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki do not belong to Scheduled Tribe (Malai Arayan) community but to Valan community included in the OBC list of the State.

2) They will not be eligible for any of the benefits exclusively intended for members of the Scheduled Tribes. If they had availed any benefits meant for members of the

Scheduled Tribes, all such benefits should be stopped.

3) If the caste in respect of Sri. V. Purushothaman, Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan and Sri. K. V. Raveendranathan, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki is recorded in their academic records as Scheduled Tribe (Malai Arayan), it should be corrected as Valan Community.

4) Scheduled Tribe Certificates will not be issued to them hereinafter. All the Scheduled Tribe Certificates secured by them are treated as cancelled.

5) If they got appointment/admission on consideration as member of Scheduled Tribe community, they should be terminated from service/admission should be cancelled and another eligible member of the Scheduled Tribe community shall be appointed/admitted against the resultant vacancy.

6) The authorities concerned shall initiate actions stipulated in Section 15, 15A, 16, 16A, 17 and 29 of The Kerala (Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificate Act, 1996 against them.

7) Any amount paid to them by the Government or any other agency by way of scholarship, grant, allowance, stipend or any other financial benefits shall be recovered as if it is an arrear of public revenue due on land.

3. Compliance report on the above orders will be furnished to Government by all concerned, at the earliest.

4. The directions contained in the judgment in O.P. No.3005/2000 dated 17.10.2006 of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala is thus complied herewith.

(By order of the Governor)  
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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

- 1) Sri. V. Purushothaman, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki, 685 533.
- 2) Sri. K. V. Bahuleyan, Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki, 685 533.
- 3) Sri. K.V. Raveendranathan Kolangattu House, Vallakadavu, Vandiperiyar, Idukki, 685 533.
- 4) The Director, Scheduled Tribe Development Department, Thiruvananthapuram. (Member, Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates)
- 5) The Director, KIRTADS, Chevayoor, Kozhikkode-17 (Member, Scrutiny Committee for Verification of Community Certificates)
- 6) The Vigilance Officer, KIRTADS, Chevayoor, Kozhikkode-17.
- 7) The Advocate General, Ernakulam (with C/L)
- 8) The District Collector, Ernakulam.

- 9) The District Collector, Idukki.
- 10) Assistant General Manager (HR), State Bank of India, HR Department, Local Head Office, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram-695012 (As per letter No.LHO/HR/TVM/RES/262 dated 14.08.2025)
- 11) The Director, General Education Department, DPI, Thiruvananthapuram.
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