



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

**Abstract**

Local Self Government Department - Panchayat Establishment - Disciplinary action initiated against Sri. P.T. Karuppan, Executive Officer, Karamannoor Grama Panchayat - Finalized - Orders issued.

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**LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (EPB) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(Rt) No.2034/2017/LSGD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 19.06.2017

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- Read: 1. G.O(Rt) No. 4419/2003/LSGD dated 10/12/2003
- 2 Judgment 19.12.2009 from the Hon'ble Enquiry Commissioner & Special Judge, Kottayam in CC 114/2008.
  - 3 Show Cause Notice No.30961/EPB2/2010/LSGD Dated 05.05.2012
  - 4 Letter No.30961/EPB2/2010/LSGD dated 16.02.2013
  - 5 Letter No.A1(1) 5174/13/GW dated 28.10.2013 of the Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram
  - 6 Show Cause Notice No.30961/EPB2/2010/LSGD Dated 05.02.2014
  - 7 Letter No.30961/EPB2/2010/LSGD dated 15.07.2014

**ORDER**

The investigation report of Vigilance & Anti-Corruption Bureau, Idukki in Crime No.2/95 has revealed that Sri. P. T. Karuppan, while working as Executive Officer, Karimannoor Panchayat during 1992-93 by abusing his official position as a public servant has entered into a criminal conspiracy along with Sri. K.S. Krishnan Marar, M.G. Gopala Pillai. (Expired), Retired Assistant Engineers, Sri. Prasanna Kumar, Private Civil Engineer and Smt. Elizabeth, Former Taluk Panchayat Officer, Peerumedu dishonestly and fraudulently misappropriated United Fund and Panchayat Fund and thereby committed criminal misconduct in the following works of Karumannoor Panchayat.

- (i) Mannarathara-Kottakkavala Road
- (ii) Unichikkavala-Mulapuram Road
- (iii) Manakkappadam Harijan Colony Road
- (iv) Vallakkadavu-Marampara Road and Manakuzhy-Chilavu Road

Subsequently as per Government Order read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above sanction was accorded to prosecute Sri. P.T. Karuppan, former Executive Officer, Karimanoor Grama Panchayat and Smt. M. Elizabeth, former Panchayat Taluk Officer Peerumedu and the Vigilance registered four independent cases viz. CC.111/2008, CC.112/08, CC.113/08 and CC.114/08. The Hon'ble Court of Enquiry Commissioner & Special Judge, Kottayam had disposed the CC.114/08 vide judgment 2<sup>nd</sup> cited by convicting Sri. P.T.Karuppan and by acquitting the 2<sup>nd</sup> accused, Smt. Elizabeth.

In view of the conviction, a tentative decision was taken to withhold Rs.200/- from the pension of Sri.P.T. Karuppan for a period of two years as per Rule 2(a) Part III KSRs and Show Cause Notice was served upon him accordingly.

Later the Hon'ble Court has convicted Sri. P.T. Karuppan in the remaining three cases also. Hence a revised Show Cause Notice read as paper 3<sup>rd</sup> was issued to him informing the tentative decision to deduct Rs.400/- from his monthly pension for a period of two years, as per Rule 2 Part III KSRs.

Sri. P.T. Karuppan has not furnished any reply to the Show Cause Notice. But he submitted an appeal petition requesting not to take any disciplinary action against him or to deduct Rs.50/- only from his monthly pension. As the appeal petition is not worthy to be considered and in it no sound justifications are seen adduced for reviewing the tentative decision to deduct Rs.400/- for a period of two years and sought the advice of the Kerala Public Service Commission as per 4<sup>th</sup> paper read above.

As per the paper read as 5<sup>th</sup> above the Public Service Commission has disagreed to the Government decision. Hence the tentative decision was modified to deduct Rs. 400/- from his monthly pension for a period of 5 years and as per paper read as 6<sup>th</sup> above a revised Show Cause Notice was served accordingly. Since he has not furnished any reply statement before the Government, the revised tentative decision was confirmed and placed before the Public Service Commission as per paper read as 7<sup>th</sup> above on the presumption that he has nothing to offer as defense. The Commission again disagreed with the revised

tentative decision of the Government and advised to deduct a sum of Rs.400/- permanently from his monthly pension.

The Government is decided to finalize the tentative decision to deduct an amount of Rs.400/- from the monthly pension of Sri. P.T. Karuppan for a period of 5 years by overruling the advise of the Kerala Public Service Commission and orders accordingly. The Director of Panchayats will take necessary action in this matter.

(By Order of the Governor)  
**S. MOHANDAS**  
Joint Secretary to Government

To.

1. Sri. P.T. Karuppan, former Executive Officer, Karimannoor Grama Panchayat.  
(Through the Director of Panchayats, Thiruvananthapuram)
2. The Director of Panchayats, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L)
4. The Director, Vigilance & Anti-Corruption Bureau, Thiruvananthapuram.
5. The Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram/Thrissur.
6. The Deputy Director of Panchayats, Idukki
7. The Director, IKM, Thiruvananthapuram
8. The Vigilance Department (U.O. remarks No.13582/D3/12/Vig dated 28.01.2013)
9. Web & New Media, South Block, Govt. Secretariat, Tvpm.
10. The Stock File/ Office Copy. (File No.30961/EPB2/2010/LSGD)

Forwarded/By Order



Section Officer