

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

Local Self Government Department - Rural Development - Establishment - Allegation of misappropriation of funds and corruption on the construction of Kuppayakode - Indiraji Coir Unit - Disciplinary action initiated against Shri.K.Madhavan, formerly Village Extension Officer, Koduvally Block (General Extension Officer, Koduvally Block)-Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, formerly Village Extension Officer, Koduvally Block (General Extension Officer, Kunnamangalam Blcok) and Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer, Womens Welfare (Rtd) - Finalised- Orders issued

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (ERB) DEPARTMENT G.O.(Rt).No.998/2013/LSGD. Thiruvananthapuram,Dated, 15.04.2013

- Read:- (1) Letter No.E.12(SC3/2000/NRK) 19223/2001, dated 07.11.2001 from the Director, Vigilance and Anti Corruption Bureau.
 - (2) Memo of Charges No.9172/EB4/2001/LSGD, dated 30.05.2002 issued to Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, Village Extension Officer, Shri.K.Madhavan, Village Extension Officer and Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer, Womens Welfare.
 - (3) Written Statement of Defence submitted by Shri.T.T.Sulaiman dated 21.12.2002 and Shri.K.Madhavan.
 - (4) Letter No.Estt.A4-27658/2006/CRD, dated 27.09.2008 and letter No.26014/Estt.A4/12/CRD, dated 31.03.2013 from the Commissioner for Rural Development.

ORDER

On the basis of a mass petition a surprise check was got conducted by Shri.K.Raghavan, BDO, Koduvally on 14.06.2000 in the presence of an officer of Vigilance and Anti Corruption Bureau, Northern Range, Kozhikode on the allegation of misappropriation of funds and corruption on the construction of 'Indiraji Coir Nirmana Unit' Kuppayakode (Kaippuram) and the enquiry revealed that an amount of Rs.30,000/- was shared by the members of the 'Indiraji Coir Nirmana Unit', Kuppayakode at Rs.3000/- each without any justification whatsoever. The decision for this was taken at the meeting of the members presided over by the Village Extension Officer, Engappuzha (in charge), Sri.T.T.Sulaiman on 18.02.1998. The initiative

for such a decision was taken by the then Village Extension Officer, Engappuzha, Sri.K.Madhavan and Smt.P.Santha, EO(WW) (Rtd), Koduvally Block on the official side and Smt.Thressia Saju, Convenor and Smt.Mary Devassia, Treasurer on the non official side.

As per the letter read as first paper above, the Director, Vigilance and Anti Corruption Bureau has recommended to recover an amount of Rs.30,000/-each from the members of 'Indiraji Coir Unit', Kuppayakode and also to take departmental action against the delinquent officers namely, Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, Formerly Village Extension Officer, Engappuzha (in charge), Shri.K.Madhavan, formely Village Extension Officer, Engappuzha and Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer (Womens' Welfare), Koduvally.

Accordingly, as noted in 2nd paper read above, Memo of Charges have been issued to Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, Village Extension Officer, Shri.K.Madhavan, Village Extension Officer and Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer (WW) through Commissioner for Rural Development.

In their written statement of defence, read as 3rd paper above, Sri.T.T.Sulaiman (Former Village Extension Officer in charge, Engapuzha) and Shri.K.Madhavan, Village Extension Officer, Engapuzha have denied the charges levelled against them.

The Commissioner for Rural Development in his letters read as 4th paper above, have reported that the three officials were not directly involved in the misappropriation of funds sanctioned to the 'Indiraji Coir making' DWCRA (Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas) Unit and no malafide or ulterior motives were seen operating from their part while discharging their official functions associated with the unit activities. Lack of regular supervision, monitoring and timely intervention to settle the disputes using extension methods is noticed though it was not deliberate.

Based on the report of the Commissioner for Rural Development, Government have examined the case in detail and are pleased to order that the disciplinary action initiated against Shri.K.Madhavan, now

Extension Officer, Koduvally Blcok is finalized General working as Disciplinary action initiated against awarding 'Censure'. Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, the then Village Extension Officer (in charge) Officer, Koduvally Block, (General Extension Engappuzha, Kunnamangalam (Rtd)) and Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer, Womens Welfare (Rtd) are also finalized and are exonerated from the charges levelled against them as both the officers had retired from service on superannuation.

By Order of the Governor S.U.RAJEEV DEPUTY SECRETARY

Shri.T.T.Sulaiman, General Extension Officer (Rtd), To

Kunnamangalam Block

Shri.K.Madhavan, General Extension Officer, Koduvally Block Smt.P.Santha, Extension Officer, Womens Welfare (Rtd)

> (Through Commissioner for Rural Development, Thiruvananthapuram)

The Commissioner for Rural Development, Thiruvananthapuram The Principal Accountant General, (Audit) Kerala,

Thiruvananthapuram

The Accountant Genral (A&E), Thrissur

The Vigilance (E) Department (Vide Lr.No.11412/E3/2001/Vig. dated 01.07.2001).

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