

FIRST INFORMATION REPORT

TAMIL NADU POLICE

INTEGRATED INVESTIGATION FORM-I

(முதல் தகவல் அறிக்கை)

(Under Section 154 Cr.P.C.)

(கு.ந.வி.தொ.பிரிவு 154 இன் கீழ்)

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1. District : *Salem* PS: *VJAC* Year: *2022* FIR No.: *120-B, 167, 409, 420*
மாவட்டம் காவல்நிலையம் ஆண்டு முதல் அ. எண் நாள்
2. (i) Act சட்டம்: *IPC* Sections பிரிவுகள்: *467, 468, 471, 474*
(ii) Act சட்டம்: *The Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 as amended by the* Sections பிரிவுகள்: *13(i) & 13(c) of P*
(iii) Act சட்டம்: *Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act 2018.* Sections பிரிவுகள்: *120 B, 167, 408, 420, 471 and 474 IPC.*
(iv) Other Acts & Sections பிற சட்டங்களும், பிரிவுகளும்: *12 of PC Amendment Act*
3. (a) Occurrence of Offence Day : Date from : *2019* Date to : *2020*
குற்ற நிகழ்வு நாள் நாள் முதல் நாள் வரை
Time Period : Time from : Time to :
நேர அளவு நேரம் முதல் நேரம் வரை
- (b) Information Received at PS. Date : *19-04-2022* Time : *16.00 hrs*
காவல் நிலையத்திற்கு தகவல் கிடைத்த நாள் நேரம்
- (c) General Diary Reference : Entry No(s). *09-06-2022* Time : *11-15 Lm*
பொது நாட்குறிப்பில் பதிவு விவரம் எண் நேரம்
4. Type of Information : Written/ Oral : *on information*
தகவலின் வகை : எழுத்து மூலம் / வாய் மொழியாக
5. Place of Occurrence (a) Direction and Distance from PS:
குற்ற நிகழ்விடம் (அ) காவல்நிலையத்திலிருந்து எவ்வளவு தூரமும், எத்திசையும் *About 35 kms North west*
Beat Number : (b) Address : *010 The Nangavallu Town Panchayat, Salem*
முறைக் காவல் எண் முகவரி
- (c) In case outside limit of this Police Station, then the Name of P.S : District :
இக்காவல் நிலைய எல்லைக்கப்பால் நடந்து இருக்குமாயின், அந்நிலையில் அந்த கா.நி.பெயர் மாவட்டம்
6. Complainant /Informant (a) Name : *N.L. Ravi Chandran* (b) Father's/ Husband's Name : *N.L. Kuland*
குற்றமுறையிட்டாளர்/ தகவல் தந்தவர் பெயர் தந்தை / கணவர் பெயர்
(c) Date / Year of Birth : (d) Nationality : *Indian* (e) Passport No. :
நாள் / பிறந்த ஆண்டு நாட்டினம் வெளிநாட்டு கடவுச்சீட்டு எண்
Date of Issue : Place of Issue :
வழங்கப்பட்ட நாள் வழங்கப்பட்ட இடம்
(f) Occupation : *Inspector of Police* (g) Address : *VJAC, Salem.*
தொழில் முகவரி
7. Details of Known/Suspected/Unknown accused with full particulars. (Attach separate sheet if necessary)
தெரிந்த / ஐயப்பட்டிருந்த / தெரியாத குற்றஞ்சாட்டப்பட்டவரின் முழுமையான விவரங்கள்
(தேவையெனில் தனித்தாள் இணைக்கவும்) *(1) Tr.M.Meghanathan, Executive Officer, Formerly N*
Town Panchayat, Salem Dt, now Marudurupettai, Town Panchayat, Kallakurichi.
(2) Tr.R.Mahalingam Formerly Assistant Engineer Nangavallu Town Panchayat Now A
Municipal Engineer Mettur Municipality, Salem Dt, (3) Tr.S.Selvaraj Assistant Ex
Engineer, Formerly Town Panchayat Salem Dt, Now AEE, Municipality scheme, Erode.
8. Reasons for delay in reporting by the complainant / Informant: *Tr.V.Narasimhan, S/o Venkatesh*
குற்றமுறையிட்டாளரால் தகவல் கொடுப்பவரால் முறையிட்டதில் தகவல் கொடுப்பதில் தாமதம் *Contractor, No.2/1-74A,*
Konar Puth, Mettur T.C. Sa

9. Particulars of properties stolen / involved (Attach separate sheet if necessary)
களவாடப்பட்ட / களவிற்குள்ளான சொத்துக்களின் விவரம் (தேவையெனில் தனித் தாளில் இணைக்கவும்)
10. Total value of properties stolen / involved :
களவாடப்பட்ட / களவிற்குள்ளான சொத்துக்களின் மொத்த மதிப்பு
11. Inquest Report / Un-natural death Case No. if any:
பிண விசாரணை அறிக்கை / இயற்கைக்கு மாறான இறப்பு எண் ஏதேனும் இருந்தால்
12. FIR Contents (Attach separate sheet, if required) :
முதல் தகவல் அறிக்கையின் சுருக்கம். (தேவையெனில் தனித்தாளில் இணைக்கவும்)

Separate sheet herewith enclosed.

13. Action taken : Since the above report reveals commission of offence(s) u/s as mentioned at item No.2 registered the case and took up the investigation / directed Mr. S. Mungurank Inspector of Police to take up the Investigation / Refused Investigation / transferred to PS W. Ac. Salem on point of jurisdiction.

எடுக்கப்பட்ட நடவடிக்கை : மேலே குற்ற முறையீட்டில் உள்ளவை பிரிவு 2ல் கூறப்பட்ட சட்ட பிரிவுப்படியான குற்றமாக வழக்கு பதிவு செய்து புலனாய்வுக்கு எடுத்துக்கொள்ளப்பட்டது / பணிக்கப்படுதல் பதவி நிலை பணியாளரின் புலனாய்வுக்கு எடுத்துக்கொள்ள பணிக்கப்பட்டது / மறுக்கப்பட்டு எல்லையைக் கருதி புலனாய்வுக்கு காவல் நிலையத்திற்கு மாற்றப்படுகிறது.

FIR read over to the Complainant / Informant, admitted to be correctly recorded and a copy given to the Complainant / Informant free of cost.

மு.த.அ. குற்றமுறையீட்டாளருக்கு / தகவல் தந்தவருக்கு படித்துக்காட்டி, அது சரியாக எழுதப்பட்டு இருப்பதாக ஏற்றுக் கொள்ளப்பட்டு, அதன் படி நகல் ஒன்று இலவசமாக கொடுக்கப்பட்டது.

14. Signature / Thumb Impression of the Complainant / Informant
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரின் ஒப்பம் / பெருவிரல் இரேகைப் பதிவு

Signature of the Officer in-charge, Police Station
காவல் நிலைய பொறுப்பு அலுவலரின் ஒப்பம்

15. Date & Time of despatch to the court:
நீதிமன்றத்திற்கு அனுப்பப்பட்ட நாள், நேரமும்

Name: பெயர் N-K RAVICHANDRAN
Rank: நிலை INSPECTOR OF POLICE
V A C, Salem

09/06/2022
12.30 hr

**ATTACHMENT TO COLUMN NO. 12 OF THE FIRST INFORMATION REPORT IN
VIGILANCE AND ANTICORRUPTION, SALEM DETACHMENT CRIME
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The accused A-1 Tr. M. Meganathan noted in the margin was working as Executive Officer, Nangavalli Town Panchayat, Nangavalli, Salem District during the relevant period from 23.09.2016 to 22.11.2019; A-2 Tr. R. Manimaran, was formerly working as Assistant Engineer, Nangavalli Town Panchayat, Nangavalli in Salem District from 12.08.2011 to 14.05.2020 and A-3 Tr. S. Selvaraj was formerly working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Town Panchayat, Salem District from 10.10.2017 to 07.07.2019. The accused A-1 to A3 are public servants as defined u/s 2 (c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, during the relevant period.

It is found that the accused A-1 was having responsibilities for providing uninterrupted water supply to the people of Town Panchayat, Nangavalli, by drilling of Bore wells, installation of Motor pumps, pipes and periodical repairing of the same within the jurisdiction of Nangavalli Town Panchayat. He is the authority for payments to the persons/firms who execute works within Nangavalli Town Panchayat limits. If the cost of the work exceeds Rs.2 Lakhs, A-2 is responsible for recording of M. Books by physical verification of the supplied accessories with purchase bills and A-3 is responsible for check measuring the details entered in the M. Books by comparing the purchase bills.

It is found that, the accused A-1 to A-3 being Public Servants with private individual A-4, entered in to a criminal conspiracy, prepared incorrect documents such as Measurement Books and fabricated vouchers and other connected records in order to misappropriate the Government fund. While executing the works such as drilling of bore wells, fitting of electrical motors, panel boards, cables and pipes etc., if the cost of the work exceeds Rs. 2 Lakhs, Assistant Engineer has to record the measurement of depth of the bore wells, quality of the motor pumps, panel boards, cables, pipe accessories, name of the manufacturing companies, model, serial numbers, RPM (Rotation Per Minute), Year of manufacture and warranty period of the motor pumps in the Measurement Book by physical verification of the supplied accessories and also with the purchase bills. The Assistant Executive Engineer of the town Panchayat check measure the work done and record the same in the

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Measurement Book by comparing with the purchase bills. After completion of work, the Assistant Engineer has to prepare first / part and final bill and make relevant abstract entries in the Measurement Book. The Assistant Executive Engineer of the town Panchayat has to counter sign the same and recommend for payment. Based on the recommendation of the Assistant Executive Engineer, the Executive Officer of the Town Panchayat concerned will calculate the tax to be deducted for the Government and prepares the cheque to the contractor. The Executive Officer of Town Panchayat has to sign the cheque and present it to the contractor. Only Account Payee cheques should be issued.

It is further gathered that, during the financial year 2019 - 2020, installation of electric motor and pumps to the bore wells were taken up at certain places within the jurisdiction of Nangavalli Town Panchayat, Salem District. Though entries in M. Books were made as if the works were fully carried out and payments delivered, work of fixing up of electric motors and pumps was not carried out as recorded by the accused. The following are some of such instances.

Sl. No (1)	Technical Sanction No and date, M. Book No, Place of work (2)	Name of work & Amount (3)	Name of the contractor (4)	Officers in charge (5)
1	TS.No.316, Dt.28.5.19 M. Book number not mentioned in the M Book but mentioned the M. Book number in the Completion Report as 1/2019-2020,	Providing bore well with Mini Power pump @ Ward No.1 Kakkuvan Mariyamman Koil and Ward No.12 in Nangavalli Town Panchayat. Estimated amount Rs.4,00,000/-	Tr. V. Navaneetha krishnan Kunjandiyur,	A-1 to A-3
2	TS.No.317, Dt.28.5.19 M. Book number not mentioned in the M Book but mentioned the M. Book number in the Completion Report as 1/2019-2020,	Providing 5 HP motor with cable and extension of pipe line @ in Nangavalli Town Panchayat Estimated amount Rs.4,00,000/-	Tr. V. Navaneetha krishnan Kunjandiyur,	A-1 to A-3

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The works mentioned in Sl. Nos.1 and 2 were shown as executed by Tr. V. Navaneethakrishnan, Contractor, Kunjandiyur. Perusal of the voucher files concerned disclosed that no bills were found for the purchase of new electric motors and other accessories.

It is gathered that, while recording the measurements in the M. Book, A-2 Tr. R. Manimaran, then Assistant Engineer, Nangavalli Town Panchayat did not record the Serial number, model, name of the manufacturing company, RPM (Rotation per Minute), Year of manufacture and warranty period of the motor pumps and panel boards. Tr. R. Manimaran, then Assistant Engineer deliberately failed to do so. A-3 Tr. S. Selvaraj, then Assistant Executive Engineer, Town Panchayat, Salem District who had check measured the above work had also wantonly failed to compare the purchase bills with details already entered in the M. Book by Assistant Engineer. A-1 Tr. M. Meganathan, then Executive Officer, Nangavalli Town Panchayat, Nangavalli, Salem District signed and issued cheque to the contractor even without obtaining the purchase bill for submersible motor and its accessories and hand vouchers for wages from the contractor. A-4 to facilitate the misappropriation of the public fund not produced the bills for the purchase of motors and accessories and also not enclosed the hand receipt for payment of wages to the labours.

It is found that, the accused A-1 to A-3 and contractor A-4 have colluded with each other in the said malpractices by making false entries in the M. Book, vouchers and other connected records, as if the materials involved in these instances were purchased and installed, while in fact no such materials were purchased and thereby, A-1 to A-3 and the contractor A-4 had misappropriated the Government Funds to the tune of Rs. 7,60,000/- after deducting the tax.

Further it is found that, in both these places bore wells were done but no new motors, pumpset and accessories were purchased and only old motors and pump sets were installed and the accused A-1 to A-4 in execution of the conspiracy forged an incorrect document and used the same as genuine and misappropriated the above said amount of Rs.7,60,000/-.

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It is also gathered that on 06.09.2019 as per Chelan No.262/BPV a sum of Rs.49,500/- was paid for operating the motors. Again one Logic InfoTech, Salem was paid Rs.8,800/- on 07.09.2019 as per Chelan No.263/BPV. Rs.8,900/- on 23.09.2019 as per Chelan 304/BPV. On 26.09.2019 for the same company Rs.8,850/- was paid as per Chelan No.312/BPV. Likewise, in the month of October 2019, as per Chelan No.343/BPV a sum of Rs. 8,732/- was paid to the same company for the supply of computer spares. Again on 11.10.2019, as per Chelan No. 348/BPV a sum of Rs.8,897/- was spent for the same purpose. These facts throws lot of suspicion about their spending of money on repairing and maintenance in multiple times for the computers with in a period of two months which has to be further probed.

Apart from the installation of old electric motor, pumpset and accessories in which huge sums were misappropriated, it is reliably learnt that, the depth of bore wells dug during the tenure of accused are less than what actually been mentioned in the records.

Thus by doing the above said acts, the accused A-1 to A-3 being Public Servants, appears to have committed the offences punishable u/s 120-B, 167, 409, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 474 IPC and u/s 13(2) r/w 13 (1) (a) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by the Prevention of Corruption (Amended) Act, 2018 and A-4 being private individual by abetting A-1 to A-3 appears to have committed the offences punishable u/s 120-B, 167, 408, 420, 465, 468, 471 and 474 IPC and u/s 12 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by the Prevention of Corruption (Amended) Act, 2018.

The prior permission for the registration of the case against A-1 to A-4 was accorded by the competent authority.

Hence, I am registering a case in Salem V&AC Cr. No.10/AC/2022 u/s 120-B, 167, 409, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 474 IPC and u/s 13(2) r/w 13 (1) (a) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by the Prevention of Corruption (Amended) Act, 2018 against A-1 to A-3 and u/s 120-B, 167, 408, 420, 465, 468, 471 and 474 IPC and u/s 12 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by the Prevention of Corruption (Amended) Act, 2018 against A-4 on today 09.06.2022 at 11.15 hrs.

D. R. Sathyan
09/06/2022

Original FIR is submitted to the Hon'ble Special Judge, Special Court for Trial of Cases under Prevention of Corruption Act, Salem and a copy of the FIR is submitted to the Director, Vigilance and Anti-Corruption, Chennai.

N.K. Ravichandran
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(N.K. Ravichandran)
Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-corruption,
Salem.

