FIRST INFORMATION REPORT

TAMIL NADU POLICE INTEGRATED INVESTIGATION FORM-I

Under Section 173 BNSS)"

முதல் தகவல் அறிக்கை (Under Section 154-C கு ந.வி-கொடிரிவு-154-இன்

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Tirunelveli District

Vigilance and Anti Corruption 2024

06/2024 FIR No.:

08.07.2024

மாவட்டம்

PS: காவல்நிலையம் Year: ஆ்ண்டு

மு.த.அ. எண்

Date: நாள்

(i) Act சட்டிம்: Prevention of Corruption

(ii) Act #LLib: (Amendment) Act, 2018 Indian Penal Code

(iii) Act சட்டம்:

Sections பிரிவுத்திற்ற r/w 13(1)(a)

Sections பிரிவுகள் 120(B), 167, 409, 465, 468, 471(A)

Sections பிரிவுகள்:

(iv) Other Acts & Sections பிற சட்டங்களும், பிரிவுகளும் :

(a) Occurrence of Offence Day:

Date from:

25.08.2021

Date to:

03.10.2021

12.00 hrs

குற்ற நிகழ்வு நாள்

நாள் முதல்

நூள் வரை

Time Period : நேர அளவு

Time from :

Time to:

நேரம் முதல் 08.07.2024 நேரம் வரை

Time :

(b) Information Received at PS. Date:

காவல் நிலையத்திற்கு தகவல் கிடைத்த நாள்

நேரம்

(c) General Diary Reference : Entry No(s) பொது நாட்குறிப்பில் பதிவு விவரம் எண்

Time : நேரம்

4. Type of Information: Written/ Oral:

Based on Information Collected

தகவலின் வகை : எழுத்து மூலம் / வாய் மொழியாக

Place of Occurrence (a) Direction and Distance from PS: குற்ற நிகழ்விடம் (அ) காவல்நிலையத்திலிருந்து எவ்வளவு தூரமும், எத்திசையும்

Beat Number:

(b) Address:

Kasthurirengapuram, Village Panchayat, of Radhapuram Union. 65 Km South.

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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

Complainant /Informant (a) Name: D.Robin Gnanasingh

குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர்/ தகவல் தந்தவர் பெயர்

நாள் / பிறந்த ஆண்டு 04.04.1974

(b) Father's/ Husband's Name: T.D. Thiraviamani

தந்தை / கணவர் பெயர்

(c) Date / Year of Birth:

(d) Nationality:

INDIAN

(e) Passport No.: வெளிநாட்டு கடவுச்சீட்டு எண்

Date of Issue:

நாட்டினம் Place of Issue:

வழங்கப்பட்ட நாள்

வழங்கப்பட்ட இடம்

தொழில்

(f) Occupation: Inspector of Police (g) Address: முகவரி

Vigilance & Anti Corruption,

Tirunelveli.

Details of Known/Suspected/Unknown accused with full particulars. (Attach separate sheet if necessary) தெரிந்த / ஐயப்பாட்டிற்குறிய / தெரியாத குற்றஞ்சாட்டப்பட்டவரின் முழுமையான விவரங்கள்

1) Tr.I.Loyala Joseph Arockiayadoss, Formerly BDO (Village Panchayat), Radhapuram Panchayat Union, Tirunelveli Dist., now working in Thoothukudi District. 2) Tr.N.Sankaran, Formerly Zonal Deputy BDO (Zone-1), Radhapuram Panchayat Union, Tirunelveli Dist., now working as Assistant, Nanguneri Panchayat Union, Tirunelveli District. 3) Tr.M.Balasubramanian, Formerly Panchayat Secretary, Kasthurirengapuram Panchayat, Radhapuram Panchayat Union. (Now Under Suspension).

Reasons for delay in reporting by the complainant / Informant:

குற்றமுறையீட்டாளரால் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரால் முறையிட்டதில் தகவல் கொடுப்பதில் தாமதம்

No delay

9. Particulars of properties stolen / involved (Attach separate sheet if necessary) களவாடப்பட்ட / களவிற்குள்ளான சொத்துக்களின் விவரம் (தேவையெனில் தனித் தாளில் இணைக்கவும்)

Not Arise

 Total value of properties stolen / involved : களவாடப்பட்ட / களவிற்குள்ளான சொத்துக்களின் மொத்த மதிப்பு

Not Arise

11. Inquest Report / Un-natural death Case No. if any: பிண விசாரணை அறிக்கை / இயற்கைக்கு மாறான இறப்பு எண் ஏதேனும் இருந்தால்

Not Arise

12. FIR Contents (Attach separate sheet, if required) : முதல் தகவல் அறிக்கையின் சுருக்கம். (தேவையெனில் தனித்தாளில் இணைக்கவும்)

Submitted:- Today on 08.07.2024, when I (D.Robin Gnanasingh, Inspector of Police) was in office of the Vigilance and Anti-Corruption, Tirunelveli Detachment, I received the confidential official Memorandum in VR.No.206/2021/RDP/TI, dated 26.06.2024 along with the copy of approval u/s 17 (A) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018, with Proceedings No.N5/2030388/2024 dated 14.05.2024 issued by the Competent Authority viz. The Collector, Tirunelveli District against the accused 1 to 3 for the below mentioned offences and registered the case in Tirunelveli V&AC Detachment, Crime No.6/2024 u/s 120(B), 167, 409, 465, 468, 471(A) of Indian Penal Code and section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 following the Vigilance Report.

AO-1 Tr.I.Loyola Joseph Arockiyadoss was working as Block Development Officer (Village Panchayat) of Radhapuram Panchayat Union in Tirunelveli District from 21.06.2021 to 02.10.2021. AO-2 Tr.N.Sankaran was working as Zonal Deputy Block

3.	Action taken: Since the above report reveals commission dioffence(s) u/s as mentioned at hem No.2 registered the case and took up the investigation / directed Mark Ma
	Investigation / transferred to PS
	பதிவு செய்து புலனாய்வுக்கு எடுத்துக்கொள்ளப்பட்டது / பணிக்கப்படுதல் பதவி நிலை
	பணியாளரின் புலனாய்வுக்கு எடுத்துகொள்ள 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 இலவுசமாக கொடுக்கப்பட்டது.

.4. Signature / Thurby impression of the Complainant / Informant குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரின் ஓப்பும் () பெருவிரஸ் இரேகைப் பதிவு

Signature of the Officer in-charge, Police State காவல் நிலைய பொறுப்பு அலுள்ளின் ஒப்பம்

5. Date & Time of despatch to the court:

நீதிமன்றத்திற்கு அனுப்பப்பட்ட நரளும், நேரமும்

Name: பெயர் . Rank: நிலை

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Development Officer of Radhapuram Panchayat Union (Zone-I) in Tirunelveli District from 09.04.2020 to 03.10.2021. AO-3 Tr.M.Balasubramanian was working as Panchayat Secretary of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat in Radhapuram Panchayat Union from 01.12.1996 to 17.09.2016 and from 25.08.2021 to 01.10.2021.

In Tirunelveli District due to some administrative reasons the Rural local body elections had not been conducted from the year 2016 to October-2021. During that period, the Block Development Officer (Village Panchayat) had acted as the Special Officer for all the Village Panchayats of a Panchayat Union and the concerned Zonal Deputy Block Development Officers are the second signing authority in the operation of funds. That the Panchayatraj Department of Government of India has launched e-GramSwaraj, which is a user friendly webbased portal to strengthen e-Governance in Panchayatraj institutions. Based on that the village Panchayat accounts are operated through Public Financial Management System shortly known as PFMS.

Radhapuram Panchayat Union in Tirunelveli District has 27 village Panchayats under its control and Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat is an important one. Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat is responsible for providing basic amenities like drinking water and street light etc. to the people living in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat area. There are 10 different types of accounts are being operated in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat for providing pasic amenities and all the accounts are maintained at Tamil Nadu Grama Bank Samugarengapuram Branch. Of which, Panchayat Account No-1 is being operated for general fund accounts and for that Account No.10065430309 is maintained in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch. Panchayat Account No-3 is being operated for scheme fund accounts and for that Account No.10065430321 is maintained in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch.

That generally for the amount of works done up to Rs.2 lakhs in Village Panchayat, on the recommendation of the Panchayat Union Overseer and the BDO (Village Panchayat) and the Zonal Dy. BDO, the amount would be credited to the account of the contractor or the vendor who done the work

through PFMS Payment Advice. Likewise if the amount of work done is above Rs.2 lakhs, on the recommendation of the union Assistant/Junior Engineer and also of the recommendation of the BDO (Village Panchayat) and the Zonal Dy. BDO the amount would be released through PFMS Payment Advice. Also the amount of the work done is more than Rs.5,000/- tender has to be conducted as per the Tamilnadu Transparency in Tender Act, 1998 and the Tamilnadu Transparency in Tender Rules, 2000.

There is credible information that the above mentioned Accused Officers while working in Radhapuram Panchayat Union, has misappropriated the Government money allotted for various works and had voluntarily caused loss to the Government money in many aspects. The following malpractices committed by the Accused Officers 1 to 3 during the year 2021.

That one Tr.K.Esakkimuthu S/o Tr.Kothandaraman, Pillayarkoil North Street, Kasthurirengapuram is the registered contractor in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat and Radhapuram Panchayat Union for about 3 years and he is having SB account in Indian Overseas Bank, Thisayanvilai Branch vide Account No.194810000011853. He has participated in the tenders conducted for the water supply works under Jal Jeevan Mission scheme (JJM) in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat and has been given the work order for the works mentioned in the following tabular column and for the said scheme the amount has been allotted to Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat under 15th Central Finance Commission grant.

S. No	Name of Work	Amount in Rs.	Date of Work order
1	Extension work of formation of PVC pipe line in 117 new FHTC's for Kuttynainarkulam, Aamaiady and Kailasaperi villages.	9.34 Lakhs	05.12.2020
2	Extension work of formation of PVC pipe line in 148 new FHTC's for Mudavankulam village.	10.90 Lakhs	18.01.2021
3	Extension work of formation of PVC pipe line in 160 new FHTC's for Ponnathi, Puthukurichi and Vadaseri villages.	10.80 Lakhs	18.01.2021

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Due to various personal reasons, the said Tr.K.Esakkimuthu did not start the said works in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat and no Measurement Book recordings were made by the Overseer or Assistant Engineer attached with Radhapuram Panchayat Union for the said works. But on 29,09,2021, AO-1 Tr.I.Loyola Joseph Arokiyadoss and AO-2 Tr.N.Sankaran had deposited each Rs.7,32,688/- and Rs.4,42,000/- with a total amount of Rs. 10,74,689/- to the account of Tr.K.Esakkimuthu (held at IOB, Thisayanvilai) through Public Financial Management System (PFMS) generated Print Payment Advice No.C092150661117 and C092150662020 respectively from the Account No.3, scheme account of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat maintained in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch in account No.1006543321.

Though the said Tr.K.Esakkimuthu had not done any work in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat and no bills are pending in the said Panchayat, AO-1 and AO-2 with malafide intention had deposited Rs.11,74,688/- to the account of Tr.K.Esakkimuthu.

In the same manner, though no bills are pending for another contractor Tr.V.Subbaiah in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat, A.O-1 and A.O-2 had deposited Rs.5,40,600/- to the account of the said Tr.V.Subbiah through Public Financial Management System (PFMS) generated Print Payment Advice No.C092150662410 from Account No.3, Scheme Fund Account maintained in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch on the same day on 29.09.2021

It is reliably learnt that A.O-3 Tr.M.Balasubramanian had contacted the said Tr.K.Esakkimuthu on 29.09.2021 and told him that due to unavoidable circumstances Rs.11,74,688/- had been deposited to his account and instructed him to hand over the said amount on withdrawal. This shows the close nexus of A.O-3 with A.Os 1 and 2 with the criminal conspiracy of misappropriation.

Doubted about the version of A.O-3, the said contractor Tr.K.Esakkimuthu had complained about the matter of amount deposited in his account to the then District Collector, Tirunelveli District. On the direction of the District Collector, Tirunelveli District, an enquiry was conducted by the Assistant Director of Panchayat (Audit), Tirunelveli District and on his request, the

Manager of Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch had recouped Rs.11,74,688/- to the account of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat from the account of Tr.K.Esakkimuthu on 04.10.2021. Also the amount transferred to the account of Tr.V.Subbaiah was resubmitted to Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat account through treasury account.

In this scenario, neither the Overseer nor the Assistant Engineer working for Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat in Radhapuram Panchayat Union had not recorded any Measurement book for any work done by the said contractors Tr.K.Esakkimuthu and Tr.V.Subbaiah.

The A.Os 1 to 3 while they were working in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat of Radhapuram Panchayat Union in collusion with each other, had misappropriated government money to a tune of Rs.17,15,288/- from the scheme fund account of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat during the year 2021.

Also it is reliably learnt that, from Account No-1 (General Fund Account) of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat, amounts have been deposited to the account held in the name of Neelakandan Agency through PFMS Payment Advice on 20.09.2021 and the following Tabular Column shows the actual amounts debited from the account No.10065430309 of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat maintained in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch on 20.09.2021.

S. No	Amount in Rs	Contractor/ Beneficiary Name	PFMS Payment Advice No.
1	96,686/-	Neelakandan Agency	C092126701745
2	1,93,976/-	Neelakandan Agency	C092126701497
3	2,16,636/-	Neelakandan Agency	C092126702252

The Overseer and Assistant Engineer working for Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat in Radhapuram Panchayat Union had not recorded any Measurement Book for any work during September-2021 or prior to that in Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat, the amounts mentioned in the Tabular column i.e 1). Rs.96,686/-, 2). Rs. 1,93,976/- and 3). Rs.2,16,636/- with a total of Rs.5,07,298/- were deposited by A.O-1 Tr.I.Loyola Joseph Arokiyadoss and

A.O.-2 Tr.N.Sankaran on 20.10.2021 to the account in the name of Neelakandan Agency, who is having close nexus with A.O-3 Tr.M.Balasubramanian through PFMS Payment Advice from the account held in Tamil Nadu Grama Bank, Samugarengapuram Branch. The said Neelakandan Agency having SB Account in Tamilnadu Grama Bank, Radhapuram Branch vide Account No.10077548589.

Thus A.O's 1 to 3 in collusion with each other, without maintaining any measurement book records, misappropriated Rs.5,07,298/- from the General Fund Account of Kasthurirengapuram Village Panchayat during the year 2021 and thereby caused loss to the government exchequer.

The act of Accused officers discloses prima facie case, that they had committed criminal misconduct and caused heavy loss to Government exchequer. The act of the Accused officers being the public servants by abusing their official position had framed incorrect records with vested interest, amounts to criminal offences punishable under section 120(B), 167, 409, 465, 468, 471(A) of IPC and section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

Therefore, today 08.07.2024 at 13.30 hrs, I registered a case in Tirunelveli V&AC, Cr. No.6/2024 against the 3 Accused officers for the commission of offences u/s 120(B), 167, 409, 465, 468, 471(A) of IPC and section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

The original FIR is submitted to the Hon'ble Court of the Special Judge, Special Court for Frial Court under PC Act, Tiruneveli and the copies of FIR are sent to the higher officers.

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