Under Section 173 BNSS

FIRST INFORMATION REPORT
முதல் தகவல் அறிக்கை
(Under Section 173 BNSS)

TAMIL NADU POLICE
INTEGRATED INVESTIGATION FORM-I

C 8318791

1. District : Chennai PS: VSAC, CC-IV Year: 2025 FIR No.: 04 Date: 13.11.2025
மாவட்டம் காவல்நிலையம் ஆண்டு முத.அ. எண் நாள்

2. (i) Act சட்டம்: 1) Prevention of Corruption (Cas Amended) Act, 2018 Sections பிரிவுகள்: U/S 120(B), 420, 409, 167 & 406 IPC and
(ii) Act சட்டம்: 2) IPC Sections பிரிவுகள்: 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a)
(iii) Act சட்டம்: Sections பிரிவுகள்:
(iv) Other Acts & Sections பிற சட்டங்களும், பிரிவுகளும் :

3. (a) Occurrence of Offence Day : Date from : 2023 Date to : 2024
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 : 06.11.2025 Time :
காவல் நிலையத்திற்கு தகவல் கிடைத்த நாள் நேரம்
(c) General Diary Reference : Entry No(s) Time :
பொது நாட்குறிப்பில் பதிவு விவரம் எண் நேரம்

4. Type of Information : Written/ Oral / Electronic form : written
தகவலின் வகை : எழுத்து மூலம் / வாய் மொழியாக / மின்னணு வடிவம்

5. Place of Occurrence (a) Direction and Distance from PS: Chennai & Tamil Nadu
குற்ற நிகழ்விடம் (அ) காவல்நிலையத்திலிருந்து எவ்வளவு தூரமும், எத்திசையும்
Beat Number : (b) Address :
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 : F. Joy Dayal (b) Father's/ Husband's Name : Late G.J. Francis Asirvatham
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர்/ 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 : (g) Address : DSP, VSAC, CC-IV, Alandur, Chennai-16
தொழில் முகவரி

7. Details of Known/Suspected/Unknown accused with full particulars. (Attach separate sheet if necessary)
தெரிந்த / ஐயப்பாட்டிற்குரிய / தெரியாத குற்றஞ்சாட்டப்பட்டவரின் முழுமையான விவரங்கள்
(தேவையெனில் தனித்தாள் இணைக்கவும்)
As Per Enclosed Sheet in Annexure-A

8. Reasons for delay in reporting by the complainant / Informant:
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளரால் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரால் முறையிட்டதில் தகவல் கொடுப்பதில் தாமதம்
Does not Arise

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)

Given in the Separate sheet in Annexure-B enclosed here with.

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 ..... Rank ..... to take up the Investigation / Refused Investigation / transferred to PS.....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 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 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

Deputy Supt. of Police
Vigilance & Anti-Corruption
Chennai City IV
Chennai-16

15 Date & Time of despatch to the court: 13.11.2025 at 13.00 hrs
நீதிமன்றத்திற்கு அனுப்பப்பட்ட நாளும், நேரமும்

Name: பெயர் F. Joy Dayal
Rank: நிலை .....No. எண் .....
Deputy Superintendent of Police
VSAC, CC-IV, Alandur, Ch-16.

ANNEXURE – A

Details of Known/Suspected/Unknown accused with full particulars

Accused Officers:

A-1: Dr.A.Elayaperumal, Formerly Director of Affiliation Department, Anna University, Now working as Director of National Institute of Technology, Nagaland.

A-2: Dr.M.Chitra, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna University, Chennai.

A-3: Dr.D.Shiloah Elizabeth, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna Univesity, Chennai.

A-4: Dr. G.Ravikumar, Formerly Registrar, Anna University, Chennai, Now working as Professor, Civil Engineering Department, Anna University, Chennai.

A-5: Dr.J.Prakash, Registrar (in-charge), Anna University, Chennai.

A-6: Dr.V.R.Giridev, Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna University, Chennai-25.

A-7: Dr.S.Marshal Anthoni, Deputy Director, Anna University, Coimbatore.

A-8: Dr.V.Malathi, Deputy Director, Anna University, Madurai.

A-9: Dr.S.Brahadeeswaran, Deputy Director, Anna University, Trichy.

A-10: Dr.S.Silas Sargunam, Deputy Director, Anna University, Tirunelveli.

A-11: Dr. S.Marichamy,

A-12: Dr.S.Kannan,

A13: Dr.Y. Ravikumar

A14: Prathyusha Engineering College, Thiruvallur.

A15: Sri Venkateshwara College of Engineering and Technology, Thiruvallur,

A16: Madha Engineering College, Kancheepuram,

A17: Kathir College of Engineering, Coimbatore

And other Government Officials, Private Individuals and Private Engineering Colleges in Tamil Nadu.

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ANNEXURE – B

FIR CONTENT IN VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION CHENNAI CITY –IV DETACHMENT CR.NO.04/AC/2025/CC-IV U/S 120(B), 420, 409, 167 & 406 IPC AND 13(2) R/W 13(1) (a) OF THE PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION (AS AMENDED) ACT, 2018.

Accused Officers: **A-1:** Dr.A.Elayaperumal, Formerly Director of Affiliation Department, Anna University, Now working as Director of National Institute of Technology, Nagaland. **A-2:** Dr.M.Chitra, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna University, Chennai. **A-3:** Dr.D.Shiloah Elizabeth, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna Univesity, Chennai. **A-4:** Dr.G.Ravikumar, Formerly Registrar, Anna University, Chennai, Now working as Professor, Civil Engineering Department, Anna University, Chennai. **A-5:** Dr.J.Prakash, Registrar (in-charge), Anna University, Chennai. **A-6:** Dr.V.R.Giridev, Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna University, Chennai-25. **A-7:** Dr.S.Marshal Anthoni, Deputy Director, Anna University, Coimbatore. **A-8:** Dr.V.Malathi, Deputy Director, Anna University, Madurai.	Based on the Factual Verification done by an Officer of the Vigilance and Anti-Corruption vide petition No. 9031/2024/MISC/CC-HQ, Dated: 29.07.2024 and in accordance with prior permission u/s. 17(A) of the Prevention of Corruption Act as amended in the PC Act of 2018 issued vide Letter NO.351/PR10/2025, dated: 26.05.2025, of the Registrar, Anna University, Sardar Patel Road, Chennai-25 to register a criminal case against A1: Dr.A.Elayaperumal, Formerly Director of Affiliation Department, Anna University, Now working as Director of National Institute of Technology, Nagaland, A-2: Dr.M.Chitra, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna University, Chennai, A-3: Dr.D.Shiloah Elizabeth, Deputy Director, Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, Anna Univesity, Chennai, A-4: Dr. G.Ravikumar, Formerly Registrar, Anna University, Chennai, Now working as Professor, Civil Engineering Department, Anna University, Chennai, A-5: Dr.J.Prakash, Registrar (in-charge),

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Anna University was established in Tamil Nadu on 4th September, 1978 as a unitary type of University. In 2001, Anna University was converted to an affiliating type of University and in 2012, Anna University was again converted to an affiliating type of University by bringing together all the Engineering Colleges in the State of Tamil Nadu under one umbrella to ensure uniform quality in engineering education. The Centre for Affiliation of Institutions (CAI) in Anna University was established with the objective of enabling the engineering colleges under its jurisdiction to achieve academic excellence by guiding them to equip themselves with qualified faculty members and state-of-the-art infrastructural facilities. The main activities of Centre for Affiliation of Institutions (CAI), Anna University (AU) is to verify the fulfillment of norms for the grant of affiliation to the Technical Institutions throughout Tamil Nadu under the jurisdiction of Anna University, Chennai, to approve/ratify/plan the actions and financial matters of Centre for Affiliation of Institutions, to scrutinize the inspection reports, suggest criteria and to make decisions on the grant of affiliation for the affiliated engineering colleges.

It is revealed that, the Accused 1 to Accused 10 being officials of Anna University in conspiracy with each other colluded with various private Engineering Colleges within Tamil Nadu and committed malpractice in the process of affiliation to Anna University during the year 2023-2024 and thereby facilitated each other.

It is revealed that, in order to affiliate/accredit to Anna University and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), the private Engineering Colleges must satisfy certain criteria such as state of art Infrastructure, well equipped lab facilities and adequate number of qualified faculties.

Based on the declaration made by the Engineering Colleges, The Centre of Affiliation of Institutions (CAI), Anna University verify them through inspections and grant approval to the colleges for affiliation. In order to maintain the quality of education rendered to the students in the private Engineering Colleges, the approval process is designed in such a manner that only if qualified and sufficient fulltime faculties, the state of art infrastructure and well equipped lab facilities are maintained, the approval would be granted. As the approval for the college as well as for the number of students that each stream can intake is directly dependent on the above factors.

It is revealed that, the guidelines for affiliation of the Engineering Colleges to Anna University are as follows. 1) The pre-requisite criteria for applying for affiliation to Anna University are - Any new college seeking affiliation for its academic programme(s) or every college applying for affiliation for academic programme(s) or for variation in intake in an already affiliated programme(s) should produce the letter(s) of approval from the AICTE 2) The college shall have an adequate number of teaching and non-teaching staff appointed on a full-time basis, with qualifications and experience as prescribed in the Regulations.

It is revealed that, An Inspection Committee (i) Shall inspect and submit the report to the University in the specified format, (ii) Shall verify the summary sheet of the faculty members working in the college, generated from the web portal duly attested by the Principal of the College and (iii) The Inspection team needs to verify the Aadhar, PAN, Qualification, Work Experience, and Relevant Certificate and genuineness of the Ph.D degree certificate of the faculty members.

It is revealed that, the Standing Committee shall scrutinize the application for affiliation and review the reports of the Inspection Committees and make appropriate recommendations on affiliation of academic programme(s). The decision on grant of affiliation to an academic programme shall be made by the Vice-Chancellor taking into consideration the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Affiliation.

It is revealed that, during the year 2023-2024, various private Engineering Colleges in collusion with the officials of Centre for Affiliation of Institutions (CAI) of Anna University were involved in the major malpractice of projecting false and insufficient number of qualified faculties for affiliation which has a direct impact on the quality of Education to students. This is a complete breach of trust, fraud and cheating by the Engineering Colleges, which was facilitated by the public servants of Centre for Affiliation of Institutions (CAI) of Anna University.

It is revealed that, about 353 individuals are working as full-time faculty members in more than one engineering college at the same point of time in the year 2023-2024. It is only possible for one person to work as a full time faculty member at one place at one point of time. Therefore, for instance, 11 colleges have declared that one Dr.S.Marichamy is working in their College during the year 2023-24, whereas it is only possible for one faculty to work in one college as a full time faculty at a given point of time. Therefore, Dr.S.Marichamy can possibly work only in one college at a time and in the remaining 10 other colleges his presence has been reported falsely, as if he is working as their faculty, in order to show them (Private Engineering) as eligible for the affiliation/accreditation process of CAI. Thus the private Engineering Colleges in connivance with Private Individuals and

Government Officials have colluded with each other and with an intention to fraudulently obtain affiliation/accreditation from Anna University have fabricated documents and thus cheated the students and parents of Tamil Nadu. The officials of Anna University who willfully granted affiliation to ineligible colleges knowingly also had played a major role in this act of cheating.

It is revealed that, the inspection team sent by Anna University, Centre for Affiliation have inspected some of the Colleges on the same day and had found same Professor/Lecturer working in 2 Colleges on a given day. For instance 2 different inspection teams have inspected Prathyusha Engineering College, Thiruvallur and Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering and Technology, Thiruvallur on 26.05.2023. Both the teams have given report that Tr.Y.Ravikumar, whose date of birth is 02.06.1984 was found to be working/present as per records in both the Colleges on 26.05.2023. Similarly, 2 different inspection teams have inspected Madha Engineering College, Kancheepuram and Kathir College of Engineering, Coimbatore on 18.05.2023. Both the teams have given a report that Dr.S.Kannan, whose date of birth is 25.07.1977 was found to be working/present in both the Colleges on 18.05.2023 as per records, while the condition for affiliation insists that a college should appoint only fulltime faculties.

It is revealed that, the private Engineering Colleges, have fraudulently shown increased number of faculties, to satisfy the affiliation criteria. The private Engineering Colleges, instead of recruiting qualified full time faculties, have involved in a massive fraudulent activity by portraying these non-existing faculties, who appear in paper only and not in reality in order

to avoid salary expenses. The inspection team of Anna University knowing fully well that no such number of faculties existed in reality have willfully facilitated the private Engineering Colleges by giving false report as if they have fulfilled the required norms. This shows the act of conspiracy between the officials of Anna University and the Private Engineering Colleges who have fraudulently created false documents with an intention of cheating the Government and general public.

It is revealed that, it is the duty of the inspection team to verify the original records of Educational Qualification of the teaching staff members, Attendance Register, Log book of the subjects handled by the respective teaching staff, Salary drawn particulars of the teaching faculty and their physical presence. If the teaching staff is a Ph.D., holder, then it is the duty of the inspection team to verify the journal publications and supporting documents. Whereas the inspection team officials in pursuance of the conspiracy with the said college authorities and the other officials of Anna University have willfully failed to follow the said procedures.

It is revealed that, a mere verification of records of faculty members across different colleges by the Standing Committee on affiliation could have easily revealed the extent of duplication. Prime facie, inspection members and other senior officials of Anna University's CAI are responsible for commission and omission of their official duties before providing with the affiliation approval for the colleges during the year 2023-2024.

It is revealed that, the Affiliation Department / Standing Committee for Affiliation / Affiliation Director and the Inspection team failed to check or verify the faculty data base which is readily available in Anna University and thereby committed malpractices by colluding with the Private Engineering Colleges. It is noted that, there are many colleges where a number of faculty members are claimed to the working with other colleges, for instance 34 of the full time faculty members of Dhanalakshmi Srinivasan College of Engineering and Technology and 33 full time faculty members of TJ Institute of Technology, Chengalpattu are found to be working with other colleges as full time faculty member at the same point of time during the year 2023-2024. It is ascertained that, out of 480 total Engineering Colleges in Tamil Nadu, duplication of faculty members and repeat full time faculty have been identified in 224 colleges. This shows that, nearly 47% of the colleges affiliated to Anna University are involved in fraudulent activities of malpractice, conspiracy, cheating and criminal breach of trust.

It is revealed that, the Inspection Committee with malafide intention, failed to check the Name, Original Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Education Qualification Certificate and other relevant records of the faculty members at the time of inspection and thereby facilitated the engineering colleges to continue their malpractices by recommending for the renewal of affiliation.

It is revealed that, the senior officials of Anna University's Centre for Affiliation Institution (CAI) have colluded with the Inspection team / Engineering Colleges and have approved the affiliation of the ineligible college for the year 2023-2024.

From the above mentioned circumstances, it is revealed that, A1 to A10 being officials of Anna University, in connivance with the private Engineering Colleges and other unknown officials of Anna University and unknown private individuals have dishonestly and fraudulently facilitated the private Engineering Colleges to obtain affiliation to Anna University, knowing fully well, that the said colleges have not fulfilled the eligible criteria for getting affiliated.

Further, A1 to A10 being the members of Inspection Committee and Standing Committee of CAI, Anna University, in pursuance of their conspiracy with A11 to A13 being the fake faculty along with A14 to A17 being the Private Engineering Colleges, have failed to do their scrutiny in the prescribed manner and has thus facilitated the affiliation of the ineligible colleges.

Further, A1 to A10 have failed to perform periodic monitoring of compliance to AICTE norms by the Technical Institution and willfully ignored the violation and facilitated for providing approval to the private Engineering Colleges.

Further, A1 to A10 have failed to identify the private Engineering Colleges who have enlisted faculty members, who are not full time faculty of their respective college but appear in person in all such colleges during the inspection process while granting approval to affiliation.

Further, A11 to A13 being faculties have provided information that, they are working as fulltime faculty members in 10 different colleges at the same point of time in connivance with A14 to A17 being private Engineering colleges who in turn have provided false information regarding

the availability of the non-existing fake fulltime faculty members for the purpose of getting affiliation.

Further, A1 to A10 have failed to identify A11 to A13 and other faculty members and A14 to A17 and other private Engineering colleges, who are parties to the conspiracy in the commission of falsification of documents, cheating and criminal breach of trust.

The following facts were revealed, which prima facie disclose a cognizable offence warranting registration of Criminal Case against the marginally noted Accused Officers, Private Individuals and Private Engineering Colleges in Tamil Nadu and other unknown officials of Anna University and unknown other private individuals.

There is prima facie material that, A1 to A10, being the members of Inspection Committee and Standing Committee of CAI, Anna University, A11 to A13 being faculties along with A14 to A17 being the private Engineering Colleges and unknown officials of Anna University, unknown private individuals and other private Engineering Colleges with dishonest intention, entered into criminal conspiracy, during the year 2023-2024, injudiciously granting affiliation to the ineligible private Engineering Colleges by violating the rules procedures and norms prescribed by AICTE for Technical Institutions established by law and thereby committed falsification of documents, cheating, criminal misconduct and criminal breach of trust and thereby committed offences u/s 120(B), 420, 409, 167 & 406 IPC and 13(2) r/w 13(1) (a) of the Prevention of Corruption (as Amended) Act, 2018.

Hence, a regular case in Chennai City –IV, V&AC Cr. No.04/AC/2025/CC-IV U/s 120(B), 420, 409, 167 & 406 IPC and 13(2) r/w 13(1) (a) of the Prevention of Corruption (as Amended) Act, 2018 was registered against the accused A-1 to A-17 and unknown public servants of Anna University and private individuals of Engineering Colleges in Tamil Nadu today on 13.11.2025 at 12.00 hrs on the order of DVAC vide memorandum no. RC /2025/EDN/ Pet.9031/2024/EDN/CC&HQ, dated.29.10.2025.

Further, I am Transferring this case for further investigation to Tr.K.Nivasan, Inspector of Police, CSU-III, V&AC, Chennai as per the orders of Director, DVAC.

The copy of the prior permission of the Registrar, Anna University, Sardar Pater Road, Chennai – 25, vide Letter No. 351/PR10/2025 along with original FIR are being submitted to the Hon'ble Principal District Judge Chennai and copies to the officers concerned.

(F.Joy Dayal)
Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Chennai City – IV,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Chennai-16.

Deputy Supt. of Police
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