

**PRESS NOTE**

**SUB-INSPECTOR OF POLICE WAS ARRESTED FOR DEMAND AND  
OBTAINMENT OF BRIBE RS.7,000/- FOR RELEASING COMPLAINANT TWO  
WHEELER**

The complainant Tr.R.Prakash, is residing at Alampalayam, Kumarapalayam taluk, Namakkal District. An accident case was registered against the complainant by Erode GH PS in Cr.No.43/2023 u/s 279, 337 IPC. Tr.M.Selvakumar, Sub-Inspector of Police, GH PS, Erode is the investigation officer of the case. Tr.M.Selvakumar, Sub-Inspector of Police, demanded Rs.10,000/- as bribe for releasing the vehicle and it was subsequently reduced to Rs.7,000/- and instructed him to give at the time of MVI inspection. Tr.M.Selvakumar, Sub-Inspector of Police reiterated and received the bribe amount of Rs.2,000/- which was only available with the complainant. He had instructed the complainant to give another Rs.5,000/- for releasing his two wheeler. Not willing to give bribe, the complainant approached the Vigilance & Anti – Corruption, Erode Detachment and gave complaint. In this connection a case was registered and a trap was organized today (15.09.2023). Tr.M.Selvakumar, Sub-Inspector of Police, reiterated and received the remaining bribe amount of Rs.5,000/- from the complainant. When the trap team introduced themselves to the accused he got perturbed and he was made to sit in a chair. At that time the accused took out the phenolphthalein coated notes from his pant pocket and put it into his mouth for swallowing. It was taken out by the trap team. Phenolphthalein test conducted on the right and left hand fingers of the accused proved positive. Also mouth wash of the accused was taken. Phenolphthalein test conducted on the right side pant pocket of the accused also proved positive. The accused was arrested.