GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract


GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (AIS-C) DEPARTMENT


5. Written Statement of Defence dated 22.01.2019 from Dr.Jacob Thomas IPS.

ORDER

As per the orders read as 1st paper above, a detailed Vigilance enquiry was ordered against Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS (KL:1985), Director General of Police under Section 17(A) of the amended Prevention of Corruption Act, 2018 on the basis of the findings of the Inspection Wing of the Finance Department that the officer while working as the Director of Ports committed grave irregularities and acts of corruption in the purchase of a Cutter Suction Dredger for the Department of Ports and caused huge pecuniary loss to Government to the tune of 14.96 crores. Pursuant to this, the Director, Vigilance & Anti-Corruption Bureau as per letter read as 2nd paper above recommended to Government to place Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS under suspension for the impartial conduct of the Vigilance enquiry. Accordingly, as per the orders read as 3rd paper above, Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS was placed under suspension under Rule 3(1)(a) of the All India Service (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1969 against contemplated disciplinary proceedings and the ongoing Vigilance Enquiry.

2) The Articles of Charges and Statement of Imputations were served on the officer as per the 4th paper read above. The officer has furnished statement of defence to the Articles of Charges served on him, as per the 5th paper read above, wherein he denied all the charges levelled against him.

3) Government examined the matter in detail and found that the officer failed to furnish a satisfactory explanation and to defend all the charges levelled against him properly, which necessitates a detailed inquiry in the matter.
4) In the above circumstances, in exercise of powers conferred under Rule 8 (2) of AIS (D&A) Rules, 1969, Government hereby appoint Shri. Satyajeet Rajan IAS (KL:1987), Additional Chief Secretary, Labour & Skills Department as Inquiring Authority and Smt. Ishita Roy IAS (KL:1991), Principal Secretary, Fisheries Department as Presenting Officer under Rule 8(6) (c) of the AIS (D&A) Rules 1969 to inquire into the charges against Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS, DGP.

5) The Inquiry Report shall be submitted to Government within one month.

(By Order of the Governor),

Tom Jose
Chief Secretary to Government.

To

Shri. Satyajeet Rajan IAS (KL:1987), Additional Chief Secretary, Labour & Skills Department.
Smt. Ishita Roy IAS (KL:1991), Principal Secretary, Fisheries Department.
Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS, Chairman cum Managing Director, The Metal Industries Ltd., Shornur. (Through the Director General of Police & State Police Chief).
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi – 110 001.
The Director General of Police & State Police Chief, Kerala, Police Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram.
The General Administration (SC) Department.
The Home Department.
The Web & New Media Division in I&PRD.
Copy to:-
The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister
The Private Secretary to Chief Minister.
The Special Secretary to Chief Secretary
The P.A to Additional Chief Secretary (Home & Vigilance)
The P.A to Joint Secretary, General Administration (AIS-A&C) Department
Stock File/Office Copy.

Forwarded/By Order

Section Officer

Documents forwarded to the Inquiring Authority/Presenting Officer :-
1. Copy of the File No. IW-D1/70/2016-FIN that contains confidential note regarding the inspection conducted by the Finance Department.
6. Written Statement of Defence dated 24.01.2019 from Dr. Jacob Thomas IPS.