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**PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT
(VIG.III)**

Memo.No. 12728/Vig.III/A1/2015.

dt:29-10-2024

CERTAIN ALLEGATIONS OF UNAPPROVED AND IRREGULAR LAYOUT IN THOTAPALEM GRAM PANCHAYAT AND ETCHERLA GRAM PANCHAYAT OF ETCHERLA MANDAL OF SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT- DISCIPLINARY ACTION INITIATED AGAINST Sri M. SURYANARAYANA, PANCHAYAT SECY., (Retd.) THOTAPALEM G.P., SRIKAKULAM, AMONG OTHERS - COMMON DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS INITIATED UNDER RULE 24 OF APCS(CC&A) RULES, 1991 - REGULAR INQUIRY CONDUCTED - INQUIRY REPORT RECEIVED AND PUBLISHED IN GAZETTE - SHOW CAUSE NOTICE - ISSUED - EXPLANATION.

- Ref:-
1. From the GA (V&E) Department Vigilance Report No.20 (C.No.182/V&E/D1/2015), dt.25.02.2015.
 2. G.O.Ms.No.24, PR&RD(Vig.III) Deptt., dt.28.03.2016.
 3. G.O.Rt.No.297, PR&RD(Vig.III) Deptt., dt.28.03.2016
 4. G.O.Rt.No.300, PR&RD(Vig.III) Deptt., dt.28.03.2016.
 5. WSD of Sri M. Suryanarayana, panchayat Secy., (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam, Dt.31.05.2016.
 6. G.O.Rt. No. 212, PR&RD(Vig.III) Dept., Dated 21.02.2019.
 7. From the IO& DPO, Srikakulam., Rc.No.1686/2019,P2, Dt.09.09.2022.
 8. Memo. No.12728/Vig.III/A1/2015, Dated. 24/07/2023
 9. Gazette No.10, A.P. Gazette, Dt.12.02.2024

In the reference 1st cited, the GA(V&E) Department, have recommended to initiate action against concerned Panchayat Secretaries of Thotapalem and Etcherla Gram Panchayats for getting the approval of Layout Plan violating the Government Orders and without jurisdiction and failure to guide the Local Body, and they have failed to pursue action to get the 10% of Open Place registered in favour of Panchayat and failure to safe guard the properties.

2. In the reference 2nd cited, sanction was accorded to initiate departmental proceedings against Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Seceretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem Grama Panchayat, Srikakulam on the allegations of irregular approval of the layouts.

3. In the reference 3rd cited, common disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem Grama Panchayat, Srikakulam, among others under Rule 24 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 on the allegations of Unapproved and irregular Layout in Thotapalem and Etcherla Gram Panchayats of Etcherla Mandal in Srikakulam District and evasion of Security Deposit & layout fees and non-registration of 10% of Layout area as open space caused loss of revenue of Rs.6,67,54,828/- to Gram Panchayats.

4. In the reference 4th cited, Article of Charges were framed against Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam on the said allegations and directed them to submit their Written Statement of Defence.

5. In the reference 5th cited, Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam has submitted his Written Statement of Defense and after examination of WSDs of all charged officers involved in the matter, the Government have issued orders appointing District Panchayat Officer, Srikakulam and MPDO, MPP, Etcherla as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against the Charged officers in the reference 6th cited.

6. In the reference 7th cited, the Inquiry officer and the District Panchayat Officer, Srikakulam has submitted the Inquiry Report against the Charged Officers among others, duly stating that the charges framed against Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam were held proved.

7. In the reference 8th cited, the Government have communicated the Inquiry report to Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam among others through District Panchayat Officer, Srikakulam District, under rule 21(2) of A.P.C.S (CCA) Rules, 1991. However, as his address was not traced out, the Inquiry Report was published in the Gazette on 12.02.2024, to submit his explanation, if any.
8. After examining the Inquiry report of the District Panchayat Officer, Srikakulam and material available on record, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding of 5% pension permanently on the charged officer Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam District, under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 since the charges are held proved.
9. Sri M. Suryanarayana, Panchayat Secretary, (Retd.) Thotapalem G.P., Srikakulam District is hereby, directed to show cause as to why the penalty of withholding of 5% pension permanently should not be imposed on him, under Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules 1980 within (10) days from the date of receipt this Memo. If no reply is received within the stipulated time, it will be construed that he has no explanation to offer and further action will be taken based on the material available on record as per rules in force.
10. The Director, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District is requested to serve this Memo. on the individual and return the dated acknowledgment to the Government, otherwise to furnish the copy of the Gazette published after done-with the same.

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR,
Principal Secretary to Government.

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