

Government of Jammu and Kashmir Industries & Commerce Department Civil Secretariat, Jammu/Srinagar

Subject: Dropping of charges leveled against S/Shri R.L. Tickoo, the then General Manager, SICOP, Devinder Paul Singh, then Deputy General Manager, Raw Material SICOP, Sushil Kumar Malhotra, then Manager Raw Material Depot. SICOP and Annop Anand, then General Manager (Finance) SICOP.

Government Order No:26 -IND of 2017 Dated: 60 - 09 - 2017

Whereas, the Vigilance Organization, J&K vide letter No. VO/Veri-SK-10/2011-11163-65 dated 11-08-2014 intimated that a verification was conducted into the allegations of awarding the contract for handling charges of cement at Railway Station, Jammu to the favourite firms at higher rates during the financial year, 2008-09, 2009-10;

Whereas, the General Administration Department vide O.M. No. GAD(Vig)46-RDA/2014 dated 10-10-2014 recommended to initiate departmental action against S/Shri R.L. Tickoo, the then General Manager, SICOP, Devinder Paul Singh, then Deputy General Manager, Raw Material SICOP, Sushil Kumar Malhotra, then Manager Depot. Raw Material Depot SICOP and Annop Anand, then General Manager (Finance) SICOP (now retired), for their alleged involvement in the said case;

Whereas, the above mentioned accused officers/Officials except Annop Anand (retired GM, SICOP), were charge sheeted vide this department's letter No. IND/SICOP/12/2014 dated 12-01-2015 for submitting their reply in their defence within 21 days;

Whereas, all the three charged officers submitted their reply in which they have categorically denied the allegations leveled against them by the Vigilance Organization, J&K;

Whereas, vide Govt. Order No. 176-IND of 2015 dated. 26-11-2015, Shri Sajad Ahmad Khan, the then Special Secretary to Govt. Industries and Commerce Department was appointed as Inquiry Officer in the matter;

Whereas, the Inquiry Officer conducted the enquiry and submitted his findings/report to the Government vide letter No. PS/Secy/SWD/246/17 dated. 14-06-2017;

Whereas, the Inquiry Officer has not detected any irregularities in the awarding of the contract for handling charges of cement at Railway Station, Jammu. The Inquiry Officer, however, observed that the accused Officers has not given wide publicity while inviting Dasti quotations and accordingly recommended to issue warning to the accused Officers to remain careful in future while dealing such type of contracts;



Whereas, the department has decided to accept the findings of the Inquiry Officer and drop the charges leveled against the above mentioned three officers; and

Whereas, the department vide letter No. IND/SICOP/12/2014 dated 28-07-2017 issued warning to the above three accused Officers to remain careful in future while dealing such type of contracts;

Now, therefore, Inquiry report is hereby accepted and charged Officers i.e. S/Shri R.L. Tickoo, the then General Manager, SICOP (now M.D, SICOP), Devinder Paul Singh, then Deputy General Manager Raw Material SICOP (now Divisional Manager, Raw Material Depot, Gangyal), and Sushil Kumar Malhotra, then Manager Raw Material Depot. SICOP (now Divisional Manager Raw Material Depot, SICOP) are exonerated of the charges served to them vide letter dated. 12-01-2015.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Shailendra Kumar) IAS Commissioner/Secretary to the Govt. Industries and Commerce Department

No: IND/SICOP/2014/12

Dated: 68 -09-2017

Copy to the:

- 1 Commissioner/Secretary to Govt. General Administration Department.
- 2 Director, Vigilance Organization, J&K, Srinagar.
- 3 Director, Director, Archives, Archeology and Museums, J&K.
- 4 M.D, J&K SICOP.
- OSD with Hon'ble Minister, Industries and Commerce.
- 6 Special Assistant to Hon'ble Minister of State, I&C.
- 7 Pvt. Secretary to Commissioner/Secretary to Govt. I&C.
- 8 Concerned.
- 9 I/C Website, I&C Deptt.
- 10 Govt. Order file (W2SCs)/Monday Return.

11 Stock file.

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