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

TAMIL NADU POLICE
INTEGRATED INVESTIGATION FORM-I

C 8318768

1. District : Tirupathur PS: Vigilance & Anti-Corruption, Tirupathur Year: 2026 FIR No.: 5/2026 Date: 09/07/2026
மாவட்டம் காவல்நிலையம் ஆண்டு முத.அ. எண் நாள்

2. (i) Act சட்டம்: The Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018) Sections பிரிவுகள்: 7(c), 12 and 7-A
(ii) Act சட்டம்: Sections பிரிவுகள்:
(iii) Act சட்டம்: Sections பிரிவுகள்:
(iv) Other Acts & Sections பிற சட்டங்களும், பிரிவுகளும் :

3. (a) Occurrence of Offence Day : Date from : Date to : During the period between 2021 and 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 : 09/07/2026 Time : 15.30 Hrs
காவல் நிலையத்திற்கு தகவல் கிடைத்த நாள் நேரம்

(c) General Diary Reference : Entry No(s) Volume-I 09/07/2026 Time : 15.30 Hrs
பொது நாட்குறிப்பில் பதிவு விவரம் எண் நேரம்

4. Type of Information : Written/ Oral / Electronic form : On the outcome of Preliminary Enquiry
தகவலின் வகை : எழுத்து மூலம் / வாய் மொழியாக / மின்னணு வடிவம்

5. Place of Occurrence (a) Direction and Distance from PS: At the office of the Regional Transport Officer, Tirupathur. 10.6 Km, South West
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 : Tmt. B. GOWRI (b) Father's/ Husband's Name : V. M. Balasundaram
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர்/ தகவல் தந்தவர் பெயர் தந்தை / கணவர் பெயர்

(c) Date / Year of Birth : 1977 (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 : Inspector of Police (g) Address : Vigilance and Anti-Corruption, Tirupathur Detachment
தொழில் முகவரி

7. Details of Known/Suspected/Unknown accused with full particulars. (Attach separate sheet if necessary)
தெரிந்த / ஐயப்பாட்டிற்குறிய / தெரியாத குற்றஞ்சாட்டப்பட்டவரின் முழுமையான விவரங்கள்
(தேவையெனில் தனித்தாள் இணைக்கவும்)

Separate Sheet Attached

8. Reasons for delay in reporting by the complainant / Informant:
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளரால் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரால் முறையிட்டதில் தகவல் கொடுப்பதில் தாமதம்

After conducting a Preliminary Enquiry the case has been registered.

9 Particulars of properties stolen / involved (Attach separate sheet if necessary)
களவாடப்பட்ட / களவிற்குள்ளான சொத்துக்களின் விவரம் (தேவையெனில் தனித் தாளில் இணைக்கவும்)

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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)

Separate Sheet Attached

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 Tr. S. Raju Rank DSP, V&AC, Tirupathur 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 09/07/2026
குற்றமுறையீட்டாளர் / தகவல் கொடுப்பவரின் ஒப்பம் / பெருவிரல் இரேகைப் பதிவு

Signature of the Officer in-charge, Police Station 09/07/2026
காவல் நிலைய பொறுப்பு அலுவலரின் ஒப்பம்

15 Date & Time of despatch to the court:
நீதிமன்றத்திற்கு அனுப்பப்பட்ட நாளும், நேரமும்

09/07/2026 @ 16.30 Hrs

Name: பெயர் B. GOWRI
Rank: நிலை Inspector of Police, எண் V & AC, Tirupathur.

Details of Known accused with full particulars in Column Number 7 of the Tirupathur Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Crime No. 5/2026 U/s 7 (c), 12 and 7-A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018).

A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan (59/2026), S/o Ponnusamy, Regional Transport Officer, Formerly Regional Transport Office, Tirupathur, Now Regional Transport Office, Tiruvarur (Residential Address - No. 135/157, Mullai Nagar, Old Bus Stand Backside, Perundurai, Erode District).

A-2 Tmt. R. Ruckmani (43/2026), W/o M.P. Kaliappan, No. 135/157, Mullai Nagar, Old Bus Stand Backside, Perundurai, Erode District (Private Individual).

A-3 Tr. S. Murugan (45/2026), S/o. Selvaraj, No.7, Vaidesswaran Nagar, R.S.Road, Gudiyattam, Vellore District (Private Individual).

A-4. Tr. T.S. Dhanasekar (63/2026), S/o Subramani, Chokkalingam Nagar, Konavattam, Vellore District (Private Individual).

F.I.R Contents in Column Number 12 of the Tirupathur Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Crime No. 5/2026 U/s 7 (c), 12 and 7-A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018).

Submitted:

The accused A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, Regional Transport Officer, worked in the office of Regional Transport officer, Tirupathur during the period from 03.03.2021 to 27.01.2025 and was holding additional charge of the Krishnagiri Regional Transport Office from 31.05.2022 to 27.01.2025, now working in the office of the Regional Transport Officer, Tiruvarur is a Public Servant within the meaning of section 2(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. Based on a credible information, a preliminary enquiry vide PE No. 144/2024/TPT/TRP, was conducted against the A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, for the allegation that during his tenure as Regional Transport Officer, at the O/o the Regional Transport Officer, Tirupathur and Krishnagiri (incharge) he was in the habit of indulging in corrupt activities by collecting bribe from driving school owners of Tirupathur for doing routine official work and from vehicle owners who are operating vehicles around Tirupathur and Krishnagiri areas for the smooth functioning of their business. During the period from 2021 to 2024, he has received the bribe amount

through A3 Tr. S. Murugan and A-4 Tr.T.S.Dhanasekar, transport brokers regularly through UPI payments and cash deposits in State Bank of India, Account number 30707567644 held in the name of his wife, A-2 Tmt.R.Ruckmani, approximately to a tune of Rs.14,50,600/-.

2. The enquiry revealed the following facts: A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, joined the Transport Department on 06.12.2000 as Motor Vehicle Inspector (Grade II) and posted to the Unit Office, Avinasi. Then he was promoted as Regional Transport Officer and from the period between 17.04.2017 and 10.01.2019 he served at the office of the RTO, Srirangam. From 11.01.2019 to 03.03.2021 he served as Regional Transport Officer at the office of the RTO, Vaniyambadi. From 03.03.2021 to 27.01.2025 he served as Regional Transport Officer at the office of the RTO, Tirupathur and held additional in-charge at Krishnagiri Regional Transport Office from 31.05.2022 to 27.01.2025. From 05.06.2025 to till now he is working at the office of the RTO, Tiruvarur. He is a public servant with authority over vehicle registration, permits and enforcement.

3. A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, while serving as an Inspector at the Motor Vehicle Office, Gudiyatham, Vellore District, maintained an improper relationship with A-3 Tr.S.Murugan and A-4 Tr.T.S.Dhanasekar, private individuals, who are engaged in unlicensed travel and transport activities. During this period, A-1 Tr.Kaliappan, RTO facilitated or indirectly supported A-3 Tr.S.Murugan and A-4 Tr.T.S.Dhanasekar's operations by allowing lorry owners connected with A-3 and A-4 to make deposits intended to avoid transport department scrutiny and enforcement. A-3 and A-4 were brokers who acted as collection agents, receiving money from lorry owners in exchange for undue favours, specifically the assurance that their vehicles would not be checked or penalized on the National Highway that passes through A-1's jurisdiction.

4. During the period, between 2021 and 2024 multiple deposits of substantial amounts were made via Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and Cash Deposit Machines (CDM) into the State Bank of India savings bank account No. 30707567644 maintained in the name of A-2 Tmt.Ruckmani, who is the spouse of A-1 Tr.Kaliappan.

5. During the period between 2022 and 2024, A-3 Tr. S. Murugan, made regular monthly deposits ranging from Rs. 9,000/- to Rs. 26,000/- through UPI from his SBI Bank A/c No.33478387705, ICICI Bank A/c No. 191301000269, and Bank of India A/c No. 837110310000275, all linked to mobile number 9894161076 into SBI Bank A/c No. 30707567644, linked to mobile number 9488876052 belonging to A-2 Tmt.Ruckmani, wife of Tr.Kaliappan (A-1), RTO, using funds collected from lorry owners. These payments, made to influence the actions of the A-1 Tr.M.P.Kaliappan, RTO.

6. Further, during the same period (2022-2024), various amounts ranging from Rs. 5,000/- (minimum) to Rs. 1,10,000/- (maximum) has been credited into A-3 Tr.S.Murugan's SBI, ICICI and Bank of India accounts from various lorry owners and lorry booking service agents.

7. During the same period (2022-2024), A-3 Tr. S. Murugan has also been regularly depositing amounts via UPI ranging between Rs.5,000/- and Rs.50,000/- (in total Rs.12,22,200/-) to Tr.Nandhagopal, lorry booking service broker, Rs.5,000/- and Rs.63,000/- (in total Rs.3,74,000/-) to Tr.Wasim Sheriff, who is having a net center opposite to the office of the Regional Transport Officer, Vellore, Rs.5,000/- to Rs.75,000/- (in total Rs.7,85,000/-) was deposited via UPI to Tr.Gowthaman, transport broker and Rs.10,000/- to Rs.45,000/- was deposited via UPI to Tr.Balaji Venkatesan, broker.

8. A-3 Tr.S.Murugan, who was engaged in transport related business activities, routinely transferred money at regular intervals into the bank accounts of Tr.Kaliappan's wife Tmt.Ruckmani (A-2). The transactions were regular and systematic. Since, the recipient is the spouse of A-1 Tr.Kaliappan, RTO, the transactions raise concerns regarding possible indirect benefits or undue advantage to the said official. It is observed that A-3 Tr.S.Murugan, using mobile number 9894161076 communicated with A-1 Tr.M.P.Kaliappan on mobile number 8778073440 by phone either before or after each transaction. The timing of these communications, in close proximity to each transaction, indicates possible coordination or acknowledgment of the payments.

9. During the period between 2021 and 2024, A-4 Tr.T.S.Dhansekar made regular monthly deposits ranging from Rs.20,000/- to Rs.40,000/- through a Cash Deposit Machine (CDM) using his mobile number 9943676654 into SBI Bank A/c No. 30707567644 belonging to A-2 Tmt.Ruckmani, from the amounts deposited by lorry owners into his Canara Bank Account No. 988101022180, in order to prevent transport department officials from stopping their vehicles or filing cases against them.

10. Further, while working as RTO in the Srirangam Regional Transport Office from 2017 to 2019, A-1 Tr. Kaliappan became acquainted with Tr. Venkatesan, who was employed as a driver at Annamalai Driving School, Srirangam. During that period, A-1 Tr. Kaliappan requested Tr. Venkatesan to purchase a new SIM card on his behalf. Accordingly, Tr. Venkatesan purchased a new Jio SIM card bearing mobile number 8778073440 using his fingerprint for verification and handed over the SIM card to A-1 Tr. Kaliappan, RTO.

11. A-1 Tr.Kaliappan, RTO, was using SIM number 9443348061 registered in his own name in his mobile phone (IMEI No. - 865780069664060). From 17.07.2023 to 28.07.2023, he (A-1) also used the Jio SIM number 8778073440, which had been purchased in the name of Tr.Venkatesan in the same phone (IMEI No. - 865780069664060).

12. Being a public servant, A-1 Tr.Kaliappan obtained and used a mobile SIM card registered in the name of another person, namely Tr.Venkatesan. The SIM card bearing mobile number 8778073440 was allegedly used for engaging in corrupt activities, including communication between mobile number 8778073440 and A-3 Tr. Murugan's mobile number 9894161076, as well as communication between mobile number 8778073440 and A-4 Tr. Dhanasekar's mobile number 9943676654, relating to gratification and misuse of official position.

13. Phone communication between A-1 and A-3 and between A-1 and A-4, frequently took place whenever cash deposits were transferred via UPI/CDM into A-2 Tmt.Ruckmani's bank accounts. A-1 Tr.Kaliappan, RTO procured and used a mobile SIM card registered in the name of another person, namely Tr.Venkatesan, for the purpose of engaging in corrupt activities, thereby concealing the true identity of the

user. The conduct of A-1 Tr.Kaliappan indicates cheating and misuse of official position for personal gain.

14. The pattern of deposits via UPI and CDM from A-3 Tr. Murugan and A-4 Tr. Dhanasekar (brokers/intermediaries), who collect funds from lorry owners indicate a structured arrangement. The use of the RTO Tr. Kaliappan's spouse Tmt. Ruckmani's account for receiving the money suggests an attempt to conceal direct involvement of the public servant. The A-2 Tmt.Ruckmani's account has been used as a connection for illegal gratification to A-1 Tr.Kaliappan, and that the deposited amounts were indeed accepted for performing his official duties improperly. The payments are made to ensure that vehicles are not stopped or charged while passing through the National Highway of A-1's jurisdiction, constitutes a misuse of official position for personal financial gain. Further, A-1 accused has given no plausible explanation for why multiple brokers would repeatedly deposit large sums via UPI and CDM into his wife A-2's bank account.

15. Therefore, during the period from 03.03.2021 to 27.01.2025, A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, while serving as an RTO at the Regional Transport Office, Tirupathur, who had control and discretion over permits, penalties, and inspections, indirectly accepted undue advantage through deposits made into his wife A-2 Tmt. Ruckmani's bank account. The depositors A-3 & A-4 have been identified as brokers or intermediaries acted as collection agents, receiving money from lorry owners in exchange for undue favours, specifically the assurance that their vehicles would not be checked or penalized on the National Highway that passes through his (A-1) jurisdiction. The continuous and repeated nature of the deposits from A-3 & A-4, having direct dealings with the office of A-1 raises a compelling inference of demand and acceptance of illegal gratification for performing a public duty improperly.

16. Bank ledger analysis confirms that an aggregate sum of Rs. 14,50,600/- constitutes the direct proceeds of corruption.

17. The above facts disclose prima facie that A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, Regional Transport Officer, formerly O/o the RTO, Tirupathur, now Tiruvarur had committed an

offense punishable under section 7(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018), A-2 Tmt. R. Ruckmani under section 12 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018), A-3 Tr. S. Murugan S/o Selvaraj under section 7-A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018) and A-4 Tr. T.S. Dhanasekar S/o Subramani under section 7-A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018).

18. The prior permission has been obtained under section 17 (A) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018) in respect of A-1 Tr. M.P. Kaliappan, Regional Transport Officer, vide G.O.(D) No. 515 dated 06.04.2026, of the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Home (Transport-II) Department, Chennai.

19. Therefore, as per the orders of the Directorate, Vigilance and Anti-Corruption, Chennai, I am registering a case in Tirupathur Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Cr.No.5/2026 u/s 7(c), 12 and 7-A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018 by Act 16 of 2018) on 09.07.2026 at 15.30 hrs against the above said accused for a thorough investigation of the matter.

The original FIR along with original prior approval obtained from the Competent authority to register a Regular case against the above Accused Officer-1 are being sent to the Hon'ble District and Sessions Judge, Tirupathur and the copies are sent to the officers concerned. As per instructions, I am sending a copy of FIR to Tr. J. Raju, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Vigilance and Anti-Corruption, Tirupathur detachment for taking up investigation.

09/07/2026

Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Tirupathur Detachment.