

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY &
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, BANNING OF
UNREGULATED DEPOSIT SCHEMES ACT UNDER SECTION
7(3) OF THE BUDS ACT (2019)
PRESENT: SRI. SANJAY M KAUL IAS**

HOME (SC) DEPARTMENT

SC3/201/2022/Home Dated, Thiruvananthapuram (02-09-2024)

Sub: Home Department - Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Act, 2019 - Provisional attachment of all movable & immovable properties of My Club Traders - Orders Reissued

Ref: 1.G.O(P) No. 69/2020/Home, dated 18.12.2020 published as S.R.O No.887/2020.

2.G.O(Rt) No.2959/2020/Home, dated 22.12.2020 published as S.R.O No. 894/2020.

3. Letter No. 324/TDR/EPTY/23 dated 12.06.2023 from the Sub Inspector of Police, Erumapetty.

4. Proceedings No. SC3/201/2022/Home dated 07.09.2023.

5. Letter No. DCTSR/10485/2020-C8 dated 01.07.2024 of the District Collector, Thrissur

ORDER

The Sub Inspector of Police, Erumapetty Police Station, Thrissur as per letter read as 3rd paper above reported that a Company named My Club Traders, Future Trade Links, Grown Bucks etc collected deposits from the public without obtaining licence from any of the Regulators like Registrar of Companies or Reserve Bank of India. They offered to double the deposit amount with 24% interest and made the public believe that they had licence from RBI and claimed that they had business concerns in countries like Singapore, Thailand and Malaysia.

The Crime No. 556, 557 & 558 of 2022 were registered at Erumapetty Police Station, Thrissur against the accused under the provisions of Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Act. The properties of some of the accused were provisionally attached for operating unregulated deposit taking in the name of Companies like Future Trade Links and Toll Deal Ventures.

Vide Proceedings read as 4th paper above the Competent Authority issued provisional attachment of all movable/immovable properties and all other deposits held by the Deposit Taker and the money or other property acquired either in the name of the deposit taker in the name of any other person on behalf of the deposit taker.

As per section 14 of the BUDS Act application for confirmation of attachment and sale of property had to filed within 30 days which might extend up to 60 days before the Designated Court. But the District Collector, Thrissur vide letter read as 5th paper above reported that the exercise could not be completed within the stipulated time

Accordingly, I, Sanjay M Kaul IAS, Competent Authority, BUDS Act 2019 have examined the matter again in detail and found that the accused have collected deposits from the public without obtaining license from any of the Regulators, thus amounting to an unregulated scheme. The deposit taker have accepted the deposits in contravention of section 3 of the BUDS Act read with section 21 and defaulted in repayment of such deposits.

I, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under section 7(3) of BUDS Act, 2019, reissue the proceedings read as 4th paper above to safeguard the interest of the innocent depositors, hereby attach all movable/ immovable properties and all other deposits held by the Deposit Taker and the money or other property acquired either in the name of the deposit taker or in the name of any other person on behalf of the deposit taker.

The Inspector General of Registration Department is hereby directed to freeze the sale/mortgage or any other transaction of immovable properties of the firm and the Deposit Taker. The Transport Commissioner, Motor Vehicles Department is directed to seize all vehicles owned by the firm/deposit taker/its partners or allied firms and to take necessary steps to prohibit the transfer of registration of vehicles and to report to the respective District Collectors.

The Lead Bank Managers of all Districts concerned/Registrar of Co-operative Societies/General Managers of KSFE/ District Managers of KFC and all other financial institutions are directed to take necessary steps to freeze all the accounts of the financial institution and its allied firms. Police Authorities shall identify the accounts of the firm and the deposit takers and take action to freeze the accounts by intimating the provisional attachment orders to the respective Banks where the accounts are maintained. The Police shall also report the details of the current/ any future accused persons from time to time directly to the concerned District Collectors for

provisionally attaching the properties within the stipulated time limit.

The District Collectors appointed as officers to assist the Competent Authority under section 7(2) of BUDS Act are directed to serve the copy of the provisional attachment to the owner of the property or any person who claims to be in possession of the property or any other person who has an interest in the said property and to prepare and maintain details of the properties so attached and the expenditure incurred in this regard in Form No. 2.

The District Collectors are further directed to publish the order of provisional attachment in a leading newspaper both in Malayalam and in English having wide circulation in the area or jurisdiction in which the deposit taker is located.

The District Collectors appointed as officers to assist the Competent Authority under section 7(2) of BUDS Act are directed to issue attachment orders separately against the properties of the accused and file application with particulars of the attachment effected before the Designated Courts constituted read as 2nd paper above, of the respective District, within the stipulated time of 30 days for making the provisional attachment absolute and for permission to sell the property so attached by public auction or, if necessary, by private sale according to section 14 of Central BUDS Act, 2019.

(Sd.)
SANJAY M KAUL

Forwarded/By order

Section Officer.

To:

All District Collectors
The State Police Chief
The Additional Director General of Police (Crimes)
The Inspector General of Police (EOW), Police Headquarters
All District Police Chiefs
The Inspector General of Registration Department
The Transport Commissioner
The Registrar of Co-operative Societies

All Lead Bank Managers
General Managers of KSFE/District Managers of KFC/All
Banks(through the District Collectors)
The Finance/ Law/Revenue/Taxes Departments
I & PR (Web & New Media) Department.
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