

**BEFORE THE KERALA STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

**Present: Mr.Justice N.Dhinakar,  
Hon'ble Chairperson**

Dated this the 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2008.

H.R.M.P.No.285/08

Petitioner : Suo-motu based on newspaper report.

**ORDER**

On seeing a news item under the caption "Nanamille Policea" reporting that a youth was stripped naked for searching his body to find out whether he is in possession of a mobile phone which was allegedly lost during a quarrel at a parking area of Gandhi park at East Fort between the KSRTC bus employees and employees of parking area a report was called.

In the report, called for from the City Police Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram, It is stated that a quarrel took place between KSRTC employees of East Fort and employees of parking area at Gandhi park at East Fort on account of haphazard parking of vehicles on the night of 18-1-2008. It is further stated in the report that the KSRTC employees assaulted the duty police and on hearing the information Sub Inspector (SI) and police party from the Fort Police Station reached the place and they took two KSRTC employees and thereafter twenty five KSRTC employees who prevented the police jeep and assaulted the S I and the two employees were brought to the police station and later sent for medical attention to General Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram. In the report it is further stated that crime 47/08 was registered against twenty five persons who are identifiable by sight for preventing the police from discharging their duties and thereafter the KSRTC workers went on a lightning strike and the public who were infuriated attacked the KSRTC office and its employees and that Fort Police registered crime 49/08 against the offenders.

In the report it is further stated that in the meantime one Rafeek was stopped by some persons and searched his person to find out whether he is in possession of a mobile phone which was lost during the quarrel and Rafeek getting angry removed his dress on his own to show his innocence and later left the place. According to the report, the police did not disturb Rafeek. According to the report, the said Rafeek arrived at Fort Police Station on 19-1-2008 and gave a complaint against four persons identifiable by sight saying that he was manhandled by them and on the said complaint crime 50/08 was registered.

According to the report another crime in crime No.51/08 was also registered at Fort Police Station on the complaint of Sudheer who suffered injury during the quarrel during the incident at East Fort on the night of 18-1-2008. In the report it is further stated that a crime was also registered on the statement of Abdul Hassan who complained that the KSRTC employees assaulted him when he questioned about their conduct of resorting to lightning strike and that according to the report, three days after the incident on 18-1-2008 a crime was registered against Rafeek and five others in crime No.57/08 on the allegation that Rafeek and others took articles belonging to a cameraman of a TV channel.

According to the report, the above crimes are pending investigation and it is not true to say that Rafeek was disturbed deliberately by the police on 18-1-2008.

In view of the above averments in the report I find no reason to pass any further order as investigation in the above mentioned crimes are pending.

The petition is accordingly closed.

**Justice N.Dhinakar,  
Chairperson.**