

March 17, 2022

To

The Sufi Islamic Board

Rep.by Mr. Y. Shoukath Ali Mohamed,

S/o. Mohamed Yusuf, Old No.16, New No.44, 3rd Floor, Papanasam Sivan Road, Santhome, Chennai- 600 004.

Sir,

Under instructions and information from my client POPULAR FRONT OF INDIA, 33, 3rd Floor, Mookathal street, Purasaiwakkam, Chennai-600007, Represented by its Zonal Executive Council Member Mr.Samsudeen, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, I hereby issued the legal notice for your immediate compliance:

My client states as follows;

- 1. My client states that my client, above named is a registered organization and having its Tamilnadu State Head office as mentioned above and its move towards coordination and management of such efforts for the achievement of socio-economic, cultural and political empowerment of the deprived and the downtrodden and the nation at large and establishing an egalitarian society in which freedom, justice and security are enjoyed by all and to promote national integration, communal amity and social harmony and rule of law in the country are amongst the other aims and objects.
- 2. My client states that my Client is a social service organization, providing its services in the entire country. The organization is registered at national level under the Societies Registration Act 1860. Its headquarters is located in New Delhi. The organization has connected thousands of children to schools over the past several

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years through its national campaign popularly known as School Chalo. In addition, the organization has been instrumental in continuing their education by giving scholarships to economically weaker students every year. The organization undertook various projects for the development of the poorer sections of society. The organization campaigns every year at the national level in the name of Healthy People, Healthy Nation. In which citizens of India are given advice, training and education to stay healthy. The organization has played an important role in natural disasters in recent decades.

Recently the organization has also done commendable work at state and national level during the COVID - 19 pandemic.

- 3. My client states that Popular Front of India always has strong belief in democratic system of our country and has been working accordingly. It adopts only democratic agitations against the anti-people policies of the government and resorting legal courses before the Courts of law at all levels, which are permitted by the Constitution of India as the fundamental rights of the citizens.
- 4. My client further states that while he read the English Newspaper namely **The Hindu** dated **11.03.2022** regarding the Unity March-2022 of PFI, he has got shock and surprised about your false and defamatory case initiation before the Hon'ble High Court of Madras. The said news article states as under:

"In his petition, Mr. Mohamed said he was an advisor to the Sufi Islamic Board which, he claimed, was a front against jihadi terrorism. On the other hand, he accused PFI of having links with Turkish jihadist charity group Insan Hak ve Hurriyetleri ve Insani Yardum Vakfi, popularly known as IHH.

He claimed that E.M. Abdul Rahiman and P. Koya, two key leaders of PFI, were privately hosted in Istanbul in 2018 by IHH, whose Turkish name stands for the Foundation for Human Rights and Freedom and Humanitarian Relief. The petitioner alleged that it was an al-Qaeda linked Turkish charity.

The litigant also claimed that PFI was found to be involved in the 2011 Mumbai bombings, the 2012 Pune blasts and the 2013 Hyderabad Dilsukhnagar attack. He said the organisation shared its ideology with the Muslim Brotherhood, an international terror organisation banned in Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia and so on"

- 5. wherein you have made allegations against my client, a summary of which is as under:
 - A. PFI of having links with Turkish jihadist charity group Insan Hak ve Hurriyetleri ve Insani Yardum Vakfi, popularly known as IHH, al-Qaeda linked Turkish charity
 - B. E.M. Abdul Rahiman and P. Koya, two key leaders of PFI, were privately hosted in Istanbul in 2018 by IHH, whose Turkish name stands for the Foundation for Human Rights and Freedom and Humanitarian Relief.
 - C. PFI was found to be involved in the 2011 Mumbai bombings, the 2012 Pune blasts and the 2013 Hyderabad Dilsukhnagar attack.
 - D. PFI is shared its ideology with the Muslim Brotherhood, an international terror organization banned in Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia and so on.
- 6. After reading the same so many public personnel were contact me and ask about the news. Your new item was caused damages to the good faith upon our organization among the general public. Hence the above matter was discussed by Zonal Committee of Popular Front of India and they have been authorized by the Popular Front of India to legally proceed against you on behalf of the entire organization by virtue of the resolution passed by the Zonal Committee.
- 7. My client states that the contents of the case filed by you before the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in the form of affidavit filed by you are inflammatory and defamatory against a perfectly legal organization i.e., Popular Front of India (PFI).
- 8. All the averments made in your case before the Hon'ble High Court of Madras are false, fabricated and concocted with the sole intention to

- malign and defame the organization by making slanderous statements and harmed the reputation of the organization.
- 9. My client states that you had deliberately with an intent to tarnish the image of my client's organization with untrue facts are making false statements about the social organization Popular Front of India with the ulterior motive, made defaming statements publicly against my client's social organization with the malicious intentions.
- 10. My client states that your defamatory tactics as against PFI has caused harm to the reputation of the organization across the nation and your derogatory avermentswere filled with anti-nationals rhetoric and speaks the language of ruling party against any organization which does not favors the ruling party and assassinate the character of a perfectly legal organization.
- 11. My client state that, he would have appreciated if you criticize PFI in a parliamentary manner but you hurled unfounded, false baseless, malicious and defamatory allegation against PFI which has compelled him to cause this notice to be issued you. My client state that because of such allegation made by you, people look at my client and his Organization with an eye of suspicion for his association with PFI which is highly defamatory for him. My client states that, his social organization Popular Front of India has lost its reputation and image due to the defamatory statement issued by you. You have deliberately misrepresented the organization's image and values in the society and have defamed the organization's reputation and image which is an illegal act.
- 12. By charging with such kind of allegations, you address before the Court that your imaginations about my client, while my client is carrying out their works in a very transparent manner and within the purview of the Constitutional measures, you are intentionally damaging the reputation of my client, by your endless imaginations.
- 13. The said your false and defamatory case initiation before the Hon'ble High Court of Madras is false, vexatious, fictitious, obnoxious and objectionable and is contrary to the truth and not acceptable to my client in any manner whatsoever. Such kind of your activities are clearly established that you are having back and call of the erroring

officials in the Government sector agencies. My client is a registered organization and having its aims and objectives for the betterment of the weaker section of the society, which clearly is an ardent patriot and nationalist, which has advocated secularism.

14. My client states such unfounded, baseless allegations of yours, in absence of any conclusive report/finding of either judicial or inquiry commission have caused great disrepute to my client's organization and hurt him deeply personally. According to him, You are liable to be prosecuted for the offence punishable under section 499 r/w 500 of Indian Penal Code.

My client calls upon you to withdraw your false and baseless allegation made against my client organization "Popular Front of India" and submit your unqualified and unconditional apology within 15 daysof receiving this notice and pay sum of Rupees One Lakhs (Rs. 1,00,000/- Only) as damage failing which my client shall be constrained to file appropriate civil and criminal proceedings against you for the above act and offence committed by you.

Please further note that this defamation trial in court of law both civil and criminal in nature shall be entirely at your cost and risk.

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