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**TWO GOVT. FUNCTIONARIES NABBED BY ODISHA VIGILANCE IN
A DAY FOR TAKING BRIBE.**

- I) ACSO, CHAMPUA, DIST-KEONJHAR ARRESTED BY ODISHA
VIGILANCE FOR TAKING BRIBE RS.15,000/- FROM A CO-OPERATIVE
OFFICIAL IN LIEU OF PADDY PROCUREMENT.**

Today i.e. on 27.05.2026, Sri Dhumaram Murmu, ACSO Champua, Dist-Keonjhar has been **apprehended** by Odisha Vigilance while demanding and taking bribe Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand) from a Co-operative official (in-charge of a local LAMPCS) in lieu of procurement of Paddy done recently during the current KMS. Accused ACSO Sri Murmu was demanding bribe Rs.15,000/- for allowing him recent procurement of paddy and with assurance to facilitate smooth procurement in upcoming seasons. Sri Murmu also threatened the Co-operative official unless the demanded bribe was paid to him, he would put the official in trouble in future. Aggrieved by the demanded bribe, Co-operative official approached the Vigilance authorities. Besides, Sri Murmu, ACSO was allegedly demanding bribes from other Paddy Procurement Centres, too.

Based on the above complaint, a trap was laid on 27.05.2026, wherein the accused persons namely Sri Dhumaram Murmu, ACSO Champua was **nabbed** by the team of Odisha Vigilance in his office room for demanding and taking undue advantage (bribe) of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand) from a Co-operative official**. Both hands wash as well as money purse of Sri Naik gave positive chemical reaction, confirming taking and handling of bribe money by him. Following the trap,

simultaneous searches have been launched on the rented residential house of Sri Murmu at Champua, residential house at Jonk, Nuapada and his office room. **Accused Sri Dhumaram Murmu, ACSO Champua, Dist-Keonjhar has been arrested and will be forwarded to the Court.**

In this connection, Balasore Vigilance PS Case No.8 dated 26.05.2026 U/s 7 Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 has been registered and is under investigation.

II) JUNIOR ENGINEER UNDER NHM, O/O CDM & PHO, SUNDARGARH ARRESTED BY ODISHA VIGILANCE WHILE TAKING BRIBE RS.5,000/- FOR FACILITATING RELEASE OF SECURITY DEPOSIT.

In a separate operation today, Sri Sumanta Naik, Junior Engineer, National Health Mission (NHM), O/o CDM & PHO, Sundargarh has been apprehended by Odisha Vigilance for demanding and taking undue advantage (bribe) of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) from a Contractor to process file for return of ISD amount (Initial Security Deposit) deposited towards repair and renovation of PHC building and staff quarters Sundargarh district. Even after completion of the said work by the contractor, the accused JE was not processing file for release of the security deposit in favour of contractor. Instead, JE Sri Nayak demanded bribe Rs.5,000/- from the contractor. This tempted the contractor to report the matter to vigilance authorities.

Based on the above complaint, a trap was laid on 27.05.2026, wherein the accused Sri Sumanta Naik, JE was **nabbed** by the team of Odisha Vigilance in his office room for demanding and taking undue advantage (bribe) of **Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) from a Contractor**. The entire bribe money was recovered and seized from the possession of Sri Naik in presence of witnesses. Right hand wash of Sri Naik gave positive chemical reaction, confirming taking and handling of bribe money by him. Following the trap, **simultaneous searches have been launched** on the rented residential house of Sri Sahoo at Sundargarh, house at native village Sardhapali, Dist-Sambalpur and his office room. **Accused Sri Sumanta Naik, JE, National Health Mission, O/o CDM & PHO, Sundargarh has been arrested and is being forwarded to the Court.**

In this connection, Rourkela Vigilance PS Case No.3 dated 26.05.2026
U/s 7 Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 has been registered and is
under investigation.