

The Government condemns baseless, malicious Reports against a senior officer

During last few days, there have been Reports in some sections of the media containing false, baseless and malicious allegations against one of senior-most officers of the Government, namely, Shri Kumar Alok, Principal Secretary. This is very unfortunate and has caused serious feelings of hurt and pain, not only to the officer but to everyone in the Government. The Government condemns this in strongest terms.

2. It is emphatically made clear here that Shri Alok is one of the most sincere and committed officers, with impeccable track record of discharging his duties, with distinction, in numerous positions in the State Government as well as under Government of India, including his posting in the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, in the recent past. In view of his excellent track record, he was not only appointed as the Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, but has also been given responsibility, as Principal Secretary for Home, GA (P&T) and Tourism Departments.

3. Shri Alok has been discharging his duties in all assigned positions, in most efficient, honest, transparent and effective manner. As Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, he has been acting exactly as per the instructions of the Chief Minister. In fact, the Chief Minister had personally chosen him for this position due to his excellent track record.

4. Such baseless and malicious reports against an upright, honest and hard-working officer have very demoralising impact on the officer, thereby hurting public interest, and the Government, therefore, once again condemns it in strongest possible terms and urges the media to refrain from such campaign.