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Fwd: Land brokers utilised by LCC 1 message

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Dear friends,

You would recall the appended mails regarding some questionable lands deals carried out by the LCC in the recent months and concerning the clever way of suing a broker in lands exchanges....

1 - The Kuilapalayam postman (Malayalathan) land survey IR 405/3 is now own by Thollmmor Kannan, but the exchange with Auroville lands (most probably in Auroanam) is not yet done because the LCC has requested Thollammor Kannan to purchase another 2 acres somewhere in the area so that the LCC can proceed with the exchange....

2 - There are in total nearly 2.14 hectares (nearly 5.1/2 acres) Surver Numbers IR 105/3b; 107/2; 419/2; 405/3b. which used to be villagers lands, now taken over by Thollammor Kannan and being processed by the LCC to be exchanged with Auroanam land... Remarks: IR 105/3b seems to a porumboke land... 107/2 is outside the Master Plan area... 419/2 is isolated land without public access opposite left of Progress community... 405/3b is also isolated without public access... So the maximum value of these lands could not reach Rs 30 lakhs per acres... The strange thing is that all these land today belong to Thollammor Kannan, when actually there where all belonging to different villagers having no connection whatsoever between

Now the questions are as follow:

a) How come this Thollammor Kannan became the dealer of villages lands that Auroville, need ???
b) How come the LCC purchase/exchange needed lands from this man rather than from the villagers directly???
c) And why offering him in exchange only Auroanam lands???

I think that the questions raised here require a serious look and review form the concerned groups including the Auroville Foundation, which, according to my information do not take part to the LCC activities anymore... Paul Vincent

Dear friends,

themselves.

Yesterday, some one named Selvam, from Morantandi, known to be involved in shaky lands deals, has painted the concrete post around the field no IR/405/3 which according to Gilles Was in final stage to be purchased from the owner....

I also wish to know how come the V. Kannan (alias Thollammor Kannan) has become owner of the land survey IR 405/3 which was the property of the former postman from Kuilapalayam?

Why Thollammor come in the picture for several land deal purchased/exchanged by the Auroville Foundation on recommendation from the LCC when the Chairman of the Auroville Foundation has expressly ordered the LCC not to use the service of brokers? In fact more than 6 acres of lands have been exchanged to this brokers in stead of dealing directly with the villager owners...

There are far too many signs of total failures by the LCC to secure the lands needed by Auroville without brokers, that one wonder how come neither the Working Committee nor the Auroville Foundation are willing to put a full stop to the drama. In case you don't believe me, look at the number of acres of lands that has been purchased in the last one year and how much have been lost by way of exchange.... Paul Vincent

4/9/2013

FAMC Report March 2012

By adminfamc on behalf of FAMC , 30 Apr 2012 / 07:34 pm

LCC recommended a land exchange with V. Kannan in Irumbai: RS No 419/2 and IR 407/2, IR 405/3B, IR 414/6, BO/2 (6.25 acre) for 3.125 acres of the land known as Auroannam. This was approved.

Dear friends,

As I said in a mail dated 14th November 2012, The land piece that used to belong to the former postman of Aspiration was being purchased by T. Kannan, a know real estate shark, this is confirmed now... Even though Gilles of l'Avenir sated that " gilles G. : on Crown road blocked? 20 Oct 2012 / 11:35 am - LCC is since long in very advanced discussion with the owner of this and several other plots (most of them within the city area) to exchange with a very large part of Auroannam.

By closing this road he is trying to put pressure on us to secure a better deal for himself but he is also very keen on Auroannam's land... (I am a member of LCC).

So, the postman is no more in the picture, instead, there is that real estate man who will get what he want out of it, surely another good piece of Auroanam valuable land, thanks to the LCC, and all that is done under our nose, in our names with all good reasons,,,

By the way, this T. Kannan is also the contractor who is busy enlarging the road between Auroorchard and Bomayapalayam....

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Subject: Re: By which miracle?

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I understand from reliable source that the LCC has not been able to convince the owner of that piece of land in between the two developed sides of the crown road north of Arka...

I also understand that the LCC is asking one Thollammor Kannan who is a known land shark and a known lands broker in Auroville region to help.

It seem that it is proposed to him to acquire this land from the villager and thereafter the LCC will exchange with him a large piece near Auroanam, whose value is much more that the piece in between the two sides of the crown road...

This kind of deal, if found to be accurate is very detrimental to Auroville and against all principles established by the Foundation which clearly stated that there cannot be any broker between the land owners and the Foundation.

The method utilized by the LCC in some(?) lands deals is to ask some land sharks like this man and the other one Madhivanan who has grabbed a valuable piece of land estimated at Rs 10 crores, It is suspected that there maybe other such type of brokers... And in these deals, Auroville end up being the big looser...

I really wonder what the LRM has to say about this kind of nefarious activities; after all, it is in their mandate to take care of Auroville land assets and estimation in land deals...

I have requested several times that the LCC lands deal should be investigated thoroughly and to allow that to happen without interference, the LCC should be dismissed entirely and a new team be formed under the aegis of the Residents Assembly. Failure to do so will endanger any further honest land purchases by the Foundation and aggravate the loss of valuable assets.