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Hello, please consider this as passive information from Jijo. Without any malice.

At least some among you would have received 1st December 2024 a grievance letter from Mr. Kothandaramiah (K.R.), an associate of my Pappa - the late Mr. Appachan. In his letter, for requesting a fair return on the investment he had made 4 decades ago, K.R. says, he was insulted by Josemon – my brother, the present Managing Director of the enterprise Navodaya Mass Entertainments (NAME) - a Public Limited Company which I had started in the late 1980s.

For reasons which you'd find in the webpage attachments to this letter, my involvement in Kishkinta in the last 25 years was only once ... being the sole person there in the months of May, June, July - 2016 to get my brother released from imprisonment. A serious accident had occurred in the park resulting in the injury and death of a number of people, for which Josmon was held responsible.

Mr. K.R. 's grievance was first voiced during the time following the said accident, Josmon had requested me in writing to take back control of the company (NAME) I had constituted. For, by then Kishkinta had ceased operations and was shut down. It was pledged to me by Josmon that since Mr. K.R. was originally inducted by me as a founding member of the enterprise, Josmon shall abide by all decisions I shall make in compensating Mr. K.R. However, this promise was reneged. I was left a sorry figure in facing Mr. K.R.

On receiving his letter of 1st December 2024, by going to Chennai twice to meet him, I pacified Mr. K.R. from doubling down on the accusations he had raised in the grievance letter. I appealed on behalf of Pappa - Navodaya Appachan. Based on Mr. K.R. 's assurance to desist from actions for the time-being, I had informed Josmon of the situation and insisted on making peace with Mr. K.R. This was at the end of December 2024.

In the first week of January 2025, Josmon sent his son Appu to me at Kakkanad Navodaya Studio which (also) I am striving to revive from penury after years of neglect. Josmon's wife Sunitha informed me that Josmon, realizing his inability in inter-personal-management, has retired after entrusting all company affairs of Kishkinta to Appu who is now amply competent to take the helm. I was shuttling between UAE and Kakkanad while meeting with Appu. On my pointing out the sordidness of the affair, Appu personally assured me that he shall make peace immediately ... not only with Mr. K.R. but also with his Babu Uncle whom Josmon had antagonized on the same issue of share investments. Since this has been going on for about a decade now, I gave Appu one month to act upon. Now it has been two months.

Dear everybody, I am writing this from Dubai. I am here organizing funds from our former associates (personalities similar to Mr. K.R. who had once helped Appachan establish his enterprises) to revive Navodaya Studio. I am seeking capital for film production and studio renovation (refer www.navodayastudio.com) - without which Navodaya Studio shall meet its demise like

Kishkinta. (and also like Udaya Studios and Excel Glasses, just to ring a few memory bells). Meanwhile, I am also being put to this onerous task of compensating Mr. K.R. This, I shall do. How and why I am doing this I am informing you below ... at least for the records, towards posterity.

Mr. K.R.'s allegations on company affairs, I am sorry to say, is amply justified. What K.R. alleges is only the tip of the iceberg. I am giving below confessions (on email records and written statements) of how even I - Jijo, had personally been deprived of the wealth which I had created. This was done by my own blood. At least some among you - my relatives, had amply benefitted, though not consciously, in my deprivation and the subsequent oblivion of Navodaya Family Enterprises. Though being a person of repute for my disciples and colleagues influential in the film industry, the reason why I never voiced this publicly before, is because of the 5Th Commandment (Exodus 20: 12 / Ephesians 6: 2&3). The reason why I am now doing this, in your limited presence, is ... for righteousness towards K.R. It is also time for the company I had created (NAME), to come clear.

The links below to the webpage are the documents that have been uploaded and available in public domain at least for the last ten years. In the past decade these letters/ emails/ documents have been forwarded and shared repeatedly with at least some among you, and thereby have lost their confidentiality, whatsoever.

The documents constitute of -

(1) Confessions of share transfers, by which Jijo and others (like K.R.) had lost stake in the company. (2) Confessions of violations – financial/ corporate/ safety - that led to catastrophic events. (3) Falsifying signatures - by which properties in Jijo's name were occasionally sold off. These property sales were to make a day-to-day living in the absence of income. i.e; the income from filmmaking – our bread & butter business, which was shut down just because Kuttichathan had brought in unprecedented revenue. (4) Of how the Illustrious Navodaya – an enterprise that once brought revolutions in the entertainment industry and contributed genius talents in the field of media, has today gone into oblivion without a trace, and of how today our offspring are facing difficulties even to survive.

Despite the shutting down of Kishkinta, the company has a bank balance of Rs/. **One Score Crores** and a property valued at least **Ten Times** as much. Since Josmon is unwilling to give others what is justly due to them, <u>I am selling the only parcel of property I have – my Mahalingapuram residence</u>, to compensate K.R. This act of mine is especially to nullify a slur perpetuated about me that I am the reason for the financial ills of Kishkinta and I aim to destroy the legacy of my Pappa. Also, this action is not new to me. For the last two decades from my meager resources I have many times compensated - financially and emotionally, a number of Navodaya members (including Josmon too) who despite their life-long loyal services were sent away empty-handed by my parents.

As the eldest son in the family, I am taking this onus on me. For, the prestige of the family is not in owning landed properties or corporate assets ... but in honoring commitments.

Thanking You Jijo, 27 Feb 2025, Dubai