Edgar Ribeiro must stay on

Former Goa Police Commissioner Edgar Ribeiro has been given a leave of absence by the Tata Group, the corporate house that operates the Goa International Airport. It is not the first time that a government employee has been given a suspension or leave of absence. However, the current situation is different in that the employee is a former police commissioner.

The move by the Tata Group is a clear indication of the shortage of police officers in the state. The government has been unable to fill the vacancies created by the retirement of officers.

The Goa police force is in a state of crisis. The force is understaffed and lacks the necessary infrastructure and facilities. The situation is further compounded by the shortage of funds for the maintenance of the police force.

The government should take immediate steps to address the crisis. It should take drastic measures to fill the vacancies and provide the necessary infrastructure and facilities to the police force. Only then can the force function effectively and protect the citizens of Goa.