

POLICE ORDER No, 254

SUBJECT—Procedure to be adopted for despatch of Viscera for Chemical Examination

It has come to notice that viscera seized in connection with murder cases are being sent after submission of charge-sheet as a result of which the Trial Court directs the Director, State F. S. L. to send the Chemical Examiner's report within one month failing which the Court threatens to institute Contempt of Court proceedings against him. As you are aware the staff in the Biology division of the State F. S. L. being limited the viscera sent for examination have to wait for their turns which usually takes 5 to 6 months if not more.

It is hereby ordered that Investigating Officers should send the viscera for Chemical Examination immediately after their seizure without waiting for the submission of charge-sheet so that every effort will be made for sending the Chemical Examiner's report before charge-sheet is submitted. In case there is some delay and the report is not ready before submission of charge-sheet, it will be sent during the course of trial without inviting adverse comments from the Trial Courts.