

POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 112

It is noticed that there is no uniform procedure of meeting the expenses on account of despatch of under-trial prisoners from police-stations to Courts by road throughout the State. In certain districts bus warrants are issued by Thana Officers while at others the expense is met from the pocket of escort party or from the permanent advance kept at the police-stations on account of prisoner's diet charges.

Use of Bus
Warrants for
escorting U.T.
Prisoners.

Paragraph 189 (3) of the Bihar and Orissa Treasury Manual as amended by Correction Slip No. 320 read with P. M. Form No. 44 lays down the procedure for payment of charges on account of diet and conveyance charges of under-trial prisoners by public motor service. These charges on this account are borne by the Magistracy and not by the Police. For this purpose, the District Magistrates are giving to every police-station a suitable permanent advance not exceeding Rs. 20 under P. M. rule 244 and if the advance runs short, it is recouped under P. M. Rule 1005.

For the uniformity of the procedure throughout the State, it is ordered that the expenses on this account shall be met from the "Prisoner's diet" kept at the police-station instead of issuing the bus warrants which is against the rule.

As regards the journey of under-trial prisoners on railways, there is clear provision in P. M. Rule 1005 (e) read with P.M. Form No. 44 to the effect that Railways warrants should issued under signature of the Sub-Inspectors on behalf of the Magistrates.

(Previous Police Circular Order 8 of 1956)