POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 175

Attention of all Ss.P. is invited to the copy of D.O. letter No. 21-8-63-G.D., dated 5-10-1963 from the Director, Central Bureau of Investigation (Ministry of Home Affairs), Government of India, New Delhi to the Inspector-General of Police, Orissa and its Annexures which have been published in para. 15 of the Orissa C.I.G., dated 1-1-1964.

All District Superintendent of Police are hereby authorised to maintain liaison and correspond directly with the Superintendent of the S.P.E., Branch, Puri under intimation to their Range D.I.-G., and D.I.G., C.I.D. and Railways in the matter of transferring any case for investigation by the S.P.E. which may be considered suitable for that purpose. In making such proposal, the principles laid down in pars. 5, 6 and 8 of the said D.O. letter should always be kept in view. In case of disagreement, the D.I.-G., C.I.D. and Railway, or the I.-G.P., if considered necessary would take up the matter with the Director of the C.B.I. or the Joint Director of the Anti-corruption Division for a decision.

In Police Order No.1 of 1960, officers of or above the rank of Sub-Inspector fo the S.P.E. while investigating a case in any place within the State of Orissa have been declared to be deemed to be officers attached to the police-station within whose limit such place is situated. In view of this, the officers of the S.P.E. in such capacity are entitled to receive all reasonable assistance and co-operation from the local police for the successful investigation of the case and particularly in the matter of arranging searches and raids promptly whenever it is sought for under a requisition. The legal responsibility for such searches and raids, would, of course be that of the officer of the S.P.E. It is also necessary to extend the facility of keeping exhibits, seized by the S.P.E. Officer, in safe custody in the Malkhana of the concerned police-station, if so required. These would mostly consist of official records and documents and may some time be voluminous. With a view to avoid any future dispute regarding the number and nature of exhibits which may arise at the time of returning them to the concerned officer of the S.P.E. it is, desirable that they should be accepted under a properly sealed box/packets/cover etc., so that the local Police may not have any responsibility with the contents thereof but shall be responsible for the safe custody of the entire thing with its seal in tact. Making and taking delivery of such exhibits should be noted in the Station Diary and a receipt granted to the officer making delivery thereof, if so, demanded.

All officers may please be instructed accordingly.

(Previous Police Circular Order No. 4 of 1964)