POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER NO. 229

SUBJECT: Investigation of Narcotic offences.

The Central Bureau of Narcotics have observed that most of the notorious smugglers of interstate ramifications and the couriers engaged by them when apprehended in a different place/State generally give fake names and addresses to the seizing officers and afterwards manipulate to secure bail from the court through hired sureties with an ulterior motive to jump the same for good. There have been instances in which the arrested persons gave fake names and addresses to the seizing officers, confessed their guilt in the court, underwent the sentence and returned home without letting any entry be made of their conviction/conduct in their native Police Station. As a result such persons escaped surveillance by the concerned Police and remained unidentified and untraced. Thus they elude the enforcement agencies who cannot locate them for want of sufficient proof of their antecedents and true identity.

In order to obviate the difficulties in future it is required that the Police Officers engaged in curbing the menace of Narcotics smuggling should take measures to verify the correct identity of arrested persons in Narcotic offences immediately after their arrest and their bail petitions should be opposed till their true identity is established from the concerned police authorities. In a major and important Narcotic offences, the Police Officers should take the photographs and finger prints of the arrested persons for the purpose of identification and two copies of the same should be sent to the Central Bureau of Narcotics, Gwalior-6 (Madiya Pradesh) for their record and action. One copy be sent S.p., C.I.D., C.B. for record in C.B. Also interrogation report of the culprit apprehended in this connection should be forwarded to the Narcotic Bureau and Crime Branch, Orissa alongwith seizure report by the seizing officers.

The interrogation report should reflect the lives of the culprits in the smuggling world. the seizing officers should try their utmost to collect intelligence about the names and address of the persons associated with them for smuggling of Narcotics. The roads used, places visited etc. should be incorporated in their interrogation report.

Copies of the judgements in all major and important cases should be obtained and sent to the Narcotic Bureau and Crime Branch, Orissa for their record.

All Investigating Officers, Circle Inspectors of Police should scrupulously observe the above instructions.

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