POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 28

Misuse of privileges given to district sports teams and accompanying officers There seems to be an idea prevalent amongst some visiting district sports teams and their accompanying officers, whether players or supervisors, that the visit to Cuttack might be taken full advantage of to go abroad for a holiday in or outside the Province. A few instance came to the notice during the recent football Tournament. The captain of one team left Cuttack and went to Khurda where he fell ill and took no further part in the Tournament whilst two Sergeants-Major left Cuttack on distant excursions without giving any intimation to the Secretary or any other officer at Cuttack. As it happened a protest was received against the play of one of the teams and there was no responsible person to answer or represent that team at the time when the protest was considered. Two days later, the Sergeant-Major turned up with a counter-protest which rightly had to be ignored.

Visiting teams and their supervisors who come into Provincial headquarters or range tournament centers for the tournaments are supposed to be under discipline and control, and are given the privilege of travel at Government expense for an express purpose, and under no circumstances must this fact be lost sight of.

Officers and men who misuse the privilege will not be allowed any travelling allowances and other allowances for the journeys. It is also to be noted that once a team reports its arrival to the Secretary of the Provincial Police Sports Committee or the Superintendent of Police in the case of Range Centers, the officers and men are under the control of the Secretary or the Superintendent of Police as the case may be and they can on no account act except under their orders.

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