

POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 296 /1999.

Sub: Appearance on T.V. - Permission from
competent authority be taken.

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According to Rule 5 of the Orissa Government Servants' Conduct Rules, 1959 and P.H. Rule 710, 711 and 714, no Police personnel except with prior permission of the competent authority can take part in electronic media nor write any article/letter either anonymously/pseudonymously or in his own name to print media to pass on information collected by him in his official capacity e.g. during investigation/supervision of cases etc.

It is noticed, however, that some police personnel are appearing on T.V. or taking part in A.I.R. broadcasts without taking approval from competent authority and passing on information known to them from investigation/enquiries. Further it is noticed that they are not wearing uniform properly nor can speak convincingly for which an incorrect image of police is conveyed to the public by such appearances/statements.

It is directed hereby that no police personnel shall appear in electronic media nor pass on any information known from investigation without prior permission from the competent authority. If any violation of this order is noticed it will tantamount to disobedience of orders and disciplinary action shall be taken against the defaulters.

D. G. & I. G. of Police
.. 22.8.99.

D. G. & I. G. of Police,
Orissa, Cuttack.

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