



POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 392/2021

Sub: Minor change in uniform of Non-gazetted ranks.

Ref: PMR under Chapter-XXXIII & Police Manual Vol.II, Appendix-65.

Odisha Police officers spend most of their working hours in handling crime, law and order, traffic etc. For State police to concentrate on their job, it is necessary that ceremonial aspects of uniform are kept to the minimum. Tunic and Cross belt are part of the uniform, which officers have to maintain though they serve very little functional purpose. Many officers use tunic once or twice on ceremonial occasions during their service career but have to maintain Tunic for that purpose.

It may be noted that all the Central Paramilitary Forces have done away with use of Cross Belt except on ceremonial occasions when actually carrying sword. Similarly UP Police has done away with use of Cross Belt.

Similarly most CAPF and UP Police has done away with Tunic.

One additional reason for doing away with Tunic in Odisha is hot weather.

The matters relating to uniform is dealt in PMR under Chapter - XXXIII. This is also dealt in Appendix -65 of Police Manual, Vol.II. Appendix -65 authorizes IG to make minor changes in prescribed uniform for Non-Gazetted rank. Accordingly following minor changes are made in uniform of Non-gazetted ranks. (For Gazetted ranks, we have accordingly sent proposal to Government for necessary approval.)

- (1) Use of Tunic is done away with.
- (2) Use of Cross-Belt will be limited to such ceremonial occasions only when officer is actually carrying/wearing sword.

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