POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 40

Reduction of transfers of investigating and court officers in the interest of speedy disposal of criminal cases. The Hon'ble the High Court have brough to the notice of Government many instances of delay in the disposal of criminal cases. Government have now remarked that the frequent transfer of investigating and Court Officers is one of the causes contributing to these delays. Government attach the highest importance to the speedy disposal of criminal cases and are anxious that all possible steps should be taken towards this end.

The special attention of Deputy Inspectors-General, Ranges and Superintendents of Police is, therefore, directed to this matter. Controlling officers should ensure that the transfers of investigating and Court Officers are reduced to the minimum, and that when transfers are absolutely necessary in the interest of the public service, they should only be given effect to when the officers concerned have completed their cases in courts.

Manual reference

Rules 776 and 779 (a)

(Previous Police Circular Order No. 5 of 1950)