SUBJECT—Police Order No. 220 regarding principles for fixation of seniority of trainees passing the final examination compartmentally.

Though the Police Order No. 220 was issued for impressing on all concerned the need to take such examinations seriously and pass them in time, the provision in the said order for allowing chances for every failed candidate seem to have resulted in a general laxity among the trainees about the importance of the final examination.

Police Manual Rule 668 (a) clearly provided for discharge/reversion of direct recruits/departmental promotees who have proved themselves unsuitable for the job by failure to pass the prescribed final examination. This is a very salutary provision whose strict observance would improve efficiency by weeding out those who are unfit for the post. In most exceptional extenuating instances the Inspector-General would exercise discretion in the light of Police Manual Rule 682(e) and P.T.C. Management Rule 22 (d).

In the circumstances the Police Order No. 220 is hereby cancelled with effect from the date of issue of this order. However, past cases coming under the purview of the cancelled Police Order No. 220 so long as it was valid, would be treated in accordance with the provision of the Police Order No. 220 and for the purpose the two chances mentioned in Para. 4 thereof would be interpreted to mean two extra chances after the final examination.