

POLICE ORDER No. 243

SUBJECT—Detailed instructions for collecting packing and transporting different types of exhibit to Forensic Science Laboratories.

Detailed instructions on the above subject as finalised by the Central Advisory Committee on Forensic Science were circulated among all concerned through Police Order No. 4/62 (revised Police Order No. 174 of the printed book of Police Orders) which was published in Orissa Police Gazette of 15th June 1962.

Investigating Officers should scrupulously follow these instructions for collection, packing and transportation of exhibits to different laboratories for expert examination. Special care should be taken to follow the instructions contained in Paras. 2 and 3 of the Police Order mentioned above as these are intended to maintain the integrity of the samples and also to prevent their mental contamination.

Para. 4 of the Police Order lays down instructions for collection, packing etc. of ten specific types of exhibits to including stains of blood, semen and saliva and also tissues. Due precaution should be taken to dry the stains of physiological fluids before packing. Wet samples should never be packed. Control samples for blood stains, whenever necessary, should be collected in accordance with these instructions and packed separately after due levelling. Tissues should be dried in room temperature before packing.

Para. 5 outlines the collection and packing of exhibits relating to a few specific types of offences. I. Os. should carefully go through these instructions while investigating similar cases.

Every Police-Station has been provided with a booklet on 'Scientific Aids to Investigation, wherein various procedures to be adopted for searching clue materials have been clearly outlined. I. Os. should be fully conversant with these to be able to adopt scientific methods for the investigation of crimes.