

**POLICE ORDER No. 46**

Enquiry into miscellaneous petitions and complaints sent by Magistrates to Police Officers.

In future, District Superintendent of Police will cause a register to be maintained in each police-station in the enclosed form 'A' showing the receipt of all miscellaneous petitions and complaints sent by Magistrate to the Police for enquiry and the results thereof. At the close of the year a consolidated statements in form 'B' should be submitted along with the crime reports for inclusion in the Annual Administration Report. The current year forms should be entered up with effect from the 1st January 1947.

The entire question will be examined every year in this office at the time of compilation of the Annual Administration Report and if it is found that the number of such petitions and complaints are unusually large or without sufficient justification, the attention of Government will be drawn to the fact.

Your attention is particularly drawn to the practice of petitioners of adding a theft charge to what is obviously a dispute regarding ownership of land. In such a dispute the removal of crops cannot rightly be called theft and such cases should not normally be sent for Police enquiry.

Manual reference

Rule 156

( Previous Police Order Reference No. 2 of 1947 )

**Form A**

Register of miscellaneous petitions or complaints sent by the Magistrates to the Police for enquiry during the year.....of.....Police-station of .....district.

Serial No.	Nature of miscellaneous petitions or complaints sent by Magistrates to Police for enquiry	Whether cognizable or non-cognizable	Result of Police enquiry, i. e., whether it was found to be true, false, frivolous, vexatious, or non-cognizable	Remarks showing whether there were sufficient grounds for forwarding such petitions or complaints to the Police
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

**Form B**

Miscellaneous petitions or complaints sent by the Magistrates to the Police for enquiry during the year.....district.

Total number of miscellaneous petitions or complaints sent by Magistrates to the Police for enquiry	Number of such cases found to be cognisable after enquiry	Number of such cases found to be non-cognisable	Number of such cases found to be true, false, frivolous or vexatious	REMARKS (Showing whether there were sufficient grounds for forwarding such petitions or complaints to the Police)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)