POLICE ORDER No. 49

Instances have recently come to light of ministerial officers canvassing for insurance companies both directly and also indirectly on behalf of their relatives. There are instances to show that in some cases they have taken advantage of their official position to persuade their brother officers to take out insurance policies by means of threats or inducements.

2. The attention of all police and ministerial officers is drawn to rule 15 of the Government Servants’ Conduct Rules which must be rigidly enforced. Any officer who contravenes the provisions of this rule by canvassing for an insurance company will be dealt with in an exemplary manner.

3. Some members of the force have the impression that assistants in my office are able to exercise influence in the matter of postings, transfer and promotions. The matters are very carefully scrutinised by the Assistant Inspectors-General and then again by the Deputy Inspector-General or myself, sometimes by both of us, and assistants in this office have no power whatsoever to assist any police officer in obtaining a desired promotion, posting or transfer. Any Police Officer who endeavours to approach an assistant in my office with a request to assist him in these matters will render himself liable to severe disciplinary action.

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