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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(CS Division)

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5<sup>th</sup> Floor, NDCC-II Building  
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi  
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To,

**The Principal Secretary (Home/Prisons Dept.) of States/UTs**

**DG (Prisons)/IG (Prisons) of all States/UTs**

**Sub: Hon'ble Supreme Court direction for installation of CCTV  
Cameras in all prisons of the country - reg.**

Sir/Madam,

I would like to draw your kind attention to the advisory issued by this Ministry on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2015 regarding adoption of measures by States/UTs for improvement of security of jails.


2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 24.7.2015 in the matter of Crl M. P. No. 16086 of 1997, Crl M.P. No. 4201 of 1997 in WP(Crl) No. 539 of 1986 - Dilip K. Basu vs State of West Bengal & Ors has given the following directions for installation of CCTV Cameras in prisons:

“The State Governments shall take steps to install CCTV cameras in all the prisons in their respective States, within a period of one year from today but not later than two years”.

3. You are requested to take urgent suitable action to comply with the orders of the Supreme Court in your State/UT.

4. The receipt of the communication may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Kumar Alok)

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