

Jaisalmer House, 26, Man Singh Road,
New Delhi-110011, the 27th April, 2022.

To

1. The Addl. Chief Secretaries/Pr. Secretary (Home) / Home Secretaries of all States/UTs.
2. The Director General of Police of all States/UTs.

Subject:- 237th Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the subject "Police- Training, Modernisation and Reforms"

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to say that Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the subject "Police-Training, Modernisation and Reforms" has submitted its 237th Report. The Committee has made some recommendations relating to "Separation of Investigation from law and order". This issue was earlier taken up with the States as this was one of the recommendation of the Review Committee (R.S. Mooshahary Committee) on police reforms. Further, this was also one of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court pronounced in its judgment dated 22.09.2006 in Writ Petition titled Prakash Singh & Others Vs UoI & Others.

2. The recommendations/observations of the 237th Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs are as below:-

Para	Recommendations/observations
4.6.9	Separation of Investigation from law and order The Committee notes that only a few States have separated the investigation from the law and order duties of their police. The Committee is of the view that separation of investigation from law and order is important to maintain the accountability of the police and increase their autonomy in investigating crimes. Therefore, the Committee recommends that the MHA may advise the remaining States to create separate investigations and law and order wings in the police. It will lead to specialization and professionalism in the police department, speed up the investigation and secure the conviction of offenders.
4.6.10	To address the shortage of staff in creating separate wings for investigation and law & order, the Committee recommends that the personnel of the rank of ASIs & head constables can be utilized for investigation of minor offenses of simple nature after adequate training.


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4.6.11	The Committee notes that one of the reasons for low conviction rate is the lapses in the investigation. Therefore, it is important that regular monitoring and supervision of the investigation of cases should be done by senior officers. The Committee recommends that the MHA may advise States for the field visit of the senior police officers of the rank of SP/IG/DIG for on-the-spot assessment of investigation of cases. The SP/DSP should submit monthly PRs (Progress Reports) on important cases and the performance of I/Os. Accordingly, suitable rewards/punishment should also be given to I/Os. The Committee also recommends to upgrade the skills of the I/Os through periodic training and engaging experts as and when necessary cases.
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3. It is therefore, requested that necessary action may be taken on the aforesaid recommendations of the Committee.

Yours faithfully,


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