No. VII-16011/3/2015-PR Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (CS Division)

5th Floor, NDCC-II Building Jai Singh Road, New Delhi December 10th, 2015

To,

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

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

Sub: <u>Hon'ble Supreme Court direction for installation of CCTV</u>

<u>Cameras in all prisons of the country - reg.</u>

Sir/Madam,

I would like to draw your kind attention to the advisory issued by this Ministry on 28th 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,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

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