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No. 192-H(Law)-PE/16S-57/2020

Dated, Howrah the 27th day of February' 2024

Memorandum

Whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, *vide* Order dated 02.12.2020 passed in S.L.P. (Criminal) No. 3543 of 2020 (*Paramvir Singh Saini V Baljit Singh & Ors*) has issued certain guidelines which *inter alia* contained directions upon the State Governments to constitute State Level and District Level Oversight Committees for monitoring the CCTV camera footages in all Police Stations within the State;

And whereas, in compliance with the afore stated Order dated 02.12.2020 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, and in supersession of this Department's all previous Memorandums on the subject, the Governor is pleased hereby to re-constitute the State Level Oversight Committee consisting of the following members, namely:-

1. Secretary in the Department Chairman
2. Special Commissioner, Finance Department Member
3. An Officer not below the rank of Inspector General of Police looking after the work of Modernization & Coordination, West Bengal Police Directorate Member Convener
4. Member, West Bengal Commission for Women Member
5. Shri Anindya Sengupta, Special Secretary, Home & Hill Affairs Department Invitee Member

Note:-(a) Special Commissioner, Finance Department will be nominated by the Finance Department.

(b) Member of W.B. Commission for Women will be nominated by the Chairperson, W.B. Commission for Women.

And whereas, the Governor is further pleased to constitute, in each and every District, a **District Level Oversight Committee** comprising of the following members, namely: -

1. Divisional Commissioner of the concerned Division Chairman
2. District Magistrate of the concerned District..... Member
3. Commissioner of Police/Superintendent of Police of the Police Commissionrate / District / Police District..... Member Convener
4. Mayor of the Municipality/ Head of the Zilla Parishad of the concerned District Member

And whereas, for the Kolkata Metropolitan area where the Commissioner of Police, Kolkata discharges both magisterial functions as well as police functions, the **District Level Oversight Committee** for Kolkata District shall comprise of the following members, namely:

1. Divisional Commissioner, Presidency Division **Chairman**
2. Representative of Commissioner of Police, Kolkata Member Convener
3. Representative of Mayor, Kolkata Municipal Corporation Member

Functions of the State Level Oversight Committee, so constituted:

The State Level Oversight Committee, so constituted, shall perform the following functions, namely -

- (a) Overseeing purchase, distribution and installation of CCTV cameras and its equipment;
- (b) obtaining the budgetary allocation for the same;
- (c) continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTV cameras and its equipment;
- (d) carrying out inspections and addressing the grievances received from the District Level Oversight Committees;
- (e) to call for monthly reports from the District Level Oversight Committees and immediately address any concerns like faulty equipment;
- (f) any other functions, as may be required, in compliance of the aforesaid Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Functions of the District Level Oversight Committee:

- (a) supervision, maintenance and upkeep of CCTV cameras and its equipment;
- (b) continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment;
- (c) to interact with the Station House Officer as to the functioning and maintenance of CCTVs and its equipment;
- (d) to send monthly reports to the State Level Oversight Committee about the functioning of CCTVs and allied equipment;
- (e) to review footage stored from CCTVs in the various Police Stations to check for any human rights violation that may have occurred but are not reported;
- (f) such other functions as may be decided by the State Level Oversight Committee for compliance of the Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

This Memorandum shall come into force with immediate effect.

Sd/-
Principal Secretary
to the Government of West Bengal,
&
Home Secretary

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Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:

- 1) Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department.
- 2) Additional Chief Secretary, Panchayat & Rural Development Department.
- 3) Principal Secretary, Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department.
- 4) Secretary in the Home & Hill Affairs Department.
- 5) Director General & Inspector General of Police, West Bengal. - with the request to inform all Superintendents of Police and Commissioners of Police.
- 6) Commissioner of Police, Kolkata.
- 7) All District Magistrates.
- 8) All Divisional Commissioners.
- 9) Additional Director General of Police (HQ), West Bengal.
- ✓ 10) Additional Director General of Police, (Mod & Coord) West Bengal.
- 11) Mayor, Kolkata Municipal Commission.
- 12) Chairperson, West Bengal Commission for Women.
- 13) Member Secretary, West Bengal Commission for Women.
- 14) Sr. P.S. to the Chief Secretary.
- 15) Sr. P.S. to the Principal Secretary, Home & Hill Affairs Department.
- 16) Office copy.

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