

POLICE ORDER NO.- 207/88

Subject : Village Crime Note Book.

Of late it has been noticed that the Officer-incharge of Police Stations do not have a thorough knowledge about village and the provisions in the Police Manual in this regard which require the Officer Incharge to keep a record in C.D. part. III are not being followed with earnestness. This has no doubt contributed to decline in the standard of crime control and control over law and order in the area. The incidents which have grown in intensity as well as number over the years, take the Officer Incharge by surprise. He does not find himself prepared for the incidents and is oblivious of the class tensions in the area, the cold war between haves and have-nots, land dispute over illegal capturing of Govt. land, running of parallel centres of influence, naxalite covert activities and overt movements until it becomes too late and gruesome crimes start taking place. Mass killing, arson, kidnapping and other similar incidents take him completely by surprise. In short he is engaged more in fire-fighting operations wherein the initiative is with criminals. For any effective policing, the initiative must belong to the police-who ought to be forearmed and forewarned about what is coming.

2. In order to improve matters in this regard, it is ordered that :-

(1) All villages in a Police Station will be placed in 3 categories viz- A, B and C in order of importance from the point of view of the local area, the incidence of crime, the delicate balance between the communities, the class or the castes and the frequency of law and order incidents. The discretion of keeping the villages under these three categories will be that of the Officer Incharge subject to approval of the Superintendent of Police and revision and modification of DIG/I.G. Zone.

3. Every village in category 'A' must be visited positively by the Officer Incharge at least once a month. Every village in category 'B' and 'C' will be visited by the Officer Incharge at least once in two months and three months respectively.

4. The Officer Incharge will be personally responsible to maintain a Village Crime Register in which each village will be allotted a number of pages depending on its importance. He will write notes on each village on the number of history-sheets, disputes, problems, crime and criminality.

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He will also mention about communal harmony/disharmony and conduct of important festivals and events in the villages. The Village Crime Register will be a permanent record in the following Proforma : -

5. The Village Crime Note Book will be divided in five (5) parts. Parts I, II and III will be entered by the Thana Officer under the supervision of the Officer Incharge. In part IV, entries will be made by Officer Incharge himself while entries in Part-V will be made by the Circle Inspector and, in case there is no Circle Inspector, by the S.D.P.O.

Part-I : General
(a) Name of the village :
(b) Circle :
(c) Police Station :
(d) Choukidar :
(e) Daffadar :
(f) Population :
(g) Area :

Part-II : The following crimes if occurring within the boundaries of the village will be entered - (a) Cognizable crimes under chapter 16-17 of IPC, which are normally entered in the crime index and (b) Miscellaneous crime as under IPC Sections 157, 170, 171, 328, 363-369 and 371-373, Cr.P.C. sections 107, 108, 109 and 110, National Security Act, the Crime Control Act, Arms Act Sections 25(a)(b)(c) & (d), Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances Act-Sections 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 and Excise Act.

Part-III : Names of ex-convicts of crime mentioned in Part-II will be entered in this part. If a convict changes his residence then proper entry will be made in the history sheet of the convict. If a villager is convicted for an offence committed in another village then entry will be made in the Note Book in the village in which he resides and simultaneously a note will be entered in respect of the village in which crime has been committed.

Part-IV : Important events in the history of the village should be entered in part-IV. This should include dispute relating to land, village affairs, religious festivals, processions customary slaughters etc. Usually the same event should not be entered in this part.

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Form-V : History-Sheet :

- (a) Convicts under regular surveillance.
- (b) Ex-convicts who are not under regular surveillance
- (c) Persons bound down under section 109 and 110 of Cr.P.C.
- (d) Persons detained under National Security Act and
Crime Control Act &
- (e) Habitual offenders even though there may not be any
proven facts against him.

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 - (3) All Regional I. G. of Police (Rly. I. G.)
 - (4) I. G., Special Branch, Bihar, Patna.
 - (5) I. G. Prosecution, Bihar, Patna.
 - (6) I. G., C. I. D., Bihar, Patna,

for necessary action.

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