

GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA  
POLITICAL & SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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From

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JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

THE ALL DISTRICT MAGISTRATES.

BHUBANESWAR, THE 14<sup>th</sup> MAY, 1964.

Sub:

Verification of character and antecedents of candidates for appointment under Government-change in the procedure.

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to this Department D. O. letter No. 12722(13)-Gen., dated the 31st August, 1963 on the subject referred to above and to say that a doubt has arisen as to whether the District Magistrate/Deputy Commissioner should consult the police authorities and Deputy Inspector General, C. I. D., in each case before a report is sent to the appointing authority.

2. The matter has been examined further and it has been decided that fully documented political record of the undesirable political activities of an individual is only found with the Deputy Inspector General, Criminal Investigation Department and a confidential reference should invariably be made to Deputy Inspector General C.I.D. Also to check up the Criminal record of a candidate the district S. P. should invariably be consulted. To the above extent the procedure outlined in para 1 of this Department D. O. letter referred to above stands modified.

3. It is necessary to emphasize the difference between the District Magistrate submitting his report after making a reference to the C. I. D. and to the local police records, and getting local enquiries made either through his own agencies or through the S. P. There can be no legitimate objection to the C. I. D. and the local police records being consulted provided this is done confidentially and if, it is clearly understood that the D. M. is free to exercise his own judgement. But enquiries made from individuals etc. in the locality where a candidate resides or had resided are likely to cause offence and should be avoided except in cases when it is found necessary in the light of entries in the C. I. D. / Police records. It is emphasised that enquiries in these cases should be made by a responsible officer as discreetly as possible.

4. Further, it has been brought to the notice of Government, that while forwarding the attestation forms to the District Police authorities and the C. I. D., the D. M's do not always mention the name of the appointing authority and the post for which the candidate is being considered for appointment. Hence in the absence of this information, the police authorities find it difficult to make their recommendation regarding the suitability of the candidate especially when there is some adverse information about him in records. If the appointments are

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are to be made to sensitive posts, the police may have to adopt a stricter standard than in the case of appointments/ posts involving lesser security risks. It is therefore necessary that the District Magistrate/ Deputy Commissioner should invariably indicate in the reference to the District Police / C. I. D. authorities, the names of the appointing authority and the post for which the candidate is being considered, which information is generally given by the appointing authority at the time of making a reference to the District authorities.

5. The procedure indicated above may please be adopted while verifying character and antecedents of candidates for appointment under Government. This may please be communicated to officers confidentially.

Yours faithfully,

JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

Memo No. 7612 / Gen., Dated 14/13/64

Copy forwarded to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi for information with reference to their letter No.F.3/3(s)/62-Est.B., dated 4.10.63.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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