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Office of the
Inspector General of Police,
Operations,
Chennai - 28.

SC.2.No.60 /OFS/C

Dated: 27.03.2001.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

Sub: Disposal / Defusal of Explosives and
Explosive substances - Transportation
of explosive materials - Regarding.

Ref: 1. DGP's Circular Memorandum Rc.No.
96922/Con.IV/98, dt. 20.05.1998.
2. This office Circular Memorandum in
SC.2.No.277/IGP, OPS/99, Dt.15.6.99

Recently, the Judicial Magistrate, No.VII, Madurai
has entrusted 5 Nos. of cartridges involved in Perungudi P.S.
Cr.No.1/2001 u/s 9(i) of I.E.A. for defusal/disposal on
21.02.2001 through the Director, Forensic Sciences Department.

2. Another instance has also come to notice, wherein
15 Kgs of explosives, 100 detonators and 25 rolls of safety
fuse seized by Senkottai Police were forwarded in a open
baggage to the Director, Forensic Sciences Department
through a GRI.FG. who had reportedly travelled in a bus.
It was also found that the explosives and detonators were
kept inside one and the same packet without bearing in mind
that the explosives would go off due to pressure, heat or
shock resulting in heavy loss of lives and damages to public
properties by way of lifting, pushing and propelling with a
velocity of 1/10000 per second or 700 tonne pressure in a
square inch like that of Bérigai P.S. Cr.No.35/2001 dated
25.02.2001 (Dharmapuri District).

3. On both these occasions, sending of explosive
materials through couriers should not have been done. Though
a letter of requisition may be sent to the Director, Forensic
Sciences Department, the questionable, suspected, relevant
substances should not be carried either to the Office of the

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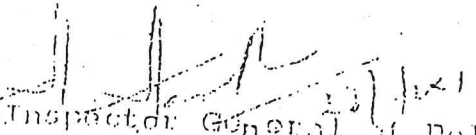
Director, Forensic Sciences Department, Chennai or to Marudhachari but they should be defused/disposed by the Bomb Detection and Disposal trained personnel at your end or by the Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad of Tamil Nadu Command School from Marudhachari on sending a letter through the concerned Superintendent of Police / Commissioner of Police.

4. Please recall my earlier instructions issued in this connection that "ON NO ACCOUNT LIVE BOMBS / EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS SHOULD BE TRANSPORTED". In spite of my repeated instructions, explosive materials seized by the Senkottai Police (TIN) and Perungudi (MDU) Police were transported in violation of instructions conveyed in the Circular Memorandum cited.

5. The negligent attitude of the Police personnel might have caused devastation to the passengers, had the bombs gone off in transportation, due to friction.

6. I once again reiterate that the guidelines contained in the Chief Office Circular Memorandum should be borne in mind, while transporting explosive substances for defusal work. Please / a copy of the Chief Office instructions already issued - vide reference first cited to your sub-ordinates, instruct them suitably and ensure that such lapses do not recur. Any violation in this regard will be viewed seriously.

7. The receipt of this Circular Memorandum should be acknowledged.


for Inspector General of Police,
Operations.

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- The Superintendents of Police of all Districts.
 - The Deputy Inspectors General of Police of all Divisions.
 - The Commissioners of Police of all Cities.
 - Copy to the Inspector General of Police, Intelligence.
 - Copy to the Inspector General of Police, Crime.
 - Copy to the Inspector General of Police, Crime (STI) Chennai.
 - Copy to the Director, Forensic Sciences Department, Chennai.