



R.O.C. NO. 691-B/2005/C1

P. Dis. 30/2006

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Sub: Custody of seal and other important papers of the Court - Instructions for strict adherence to by all the concerned - Issued.

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The Hon'ble Division Bench of the High Court, while hearing a Criminal Appeal noticed that certain documents pertaining to a Judicial Magistrate's Court, produced to this Court, came to be affixed with two seals, with two different dates. The Hon'ble Division Bench of the High Court viewed the said act of affixing of two seals with two different dates in the material part of the records, very seriously.

The following instructions are therefore issued for strict observance in order to avoid recurrence of such lapses:-

- (i) The seal of the respective court used for sealing on the material records marked as exhibits in the Criminal cases/Civil cases such as FIR and other important papers, shall be in the custody of the Head Ministerial Staff of that court;
 - (ii) It shall be ensured that the court seal is not abused by anyone else.
- Any deviation of the above said directions will be viewed very seriously and would invite stern action by the High Court as and when any lapse is noticed/brought to its notice.

The receipt of this circular shall be acknowledged at the earliest.

High Court, Madras,
Dated: 29-03-2006

/ t.c.f.b.o./

Sd/- S. Palanivelu,
Registrar General.

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Sub Assistant Registrar (AD-I)

R. No. 3214/2006/A1, dated: 07-04-2006

Copy communicated to all the Judicial Officers in Thanjavur District with a request to bring the circular to all the staff in their respective court for strict adherence to the instructions issued. The receipt of this circular is required to be acknowledged forthwith.

/ By order /

G. ~~Subramanian~~ A.
P.A. to Prb. District Judge,
Thanjavur.

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