Copy of Government Circular No.54/65/Fin. Dated 9-10-1965 from the Assistant Secretary, Finance Department, Trivandrum, to the All Heads of Departments.

Sub:- Suits – Suits against Government where the Accountant General has been impleaded as the Accounts Officer of the State Defence of Instructions issued –

Ref:- D.O. Letter No.TRV/15-210(108)544 dated 2-3-1965 from the Accountant General.

It has been brought to the notice of Government that in O.P.2690/64 of the High Court of Kerala and in certain other suits against the Government, the Accountant General also has been impleaded as a respondent. The Accountant General has pointed out that in such cases no separate defence for him is necessary in addition to the defence for the Government since he is impleaded not as an officer of the Central Government but as the Accounts Officer of the State. He has also requested that necessary instructions regarding the procedure to be followed in such cases may be issued.

Having considered the question the Government are pleased to issue the following instructions.

- (i) In proceedings before the High Court which are the result of the orders passed by the Accountant General as the Accounts Officer of the State, the same Government Pleader who is representing the State in the Proceedings will represent the Accountant General.
- (ii) In case where it becomes necessary for the Accountant General to be represented separately, the Accountant General to be represented separately, the Accountant General may make his own arrangements either through the Central Government Pleader or through the Government Pleader on payment separate fee.

Endt. on B2-(F-Dis.34385/65 dated 16-11-65

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