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from the Chief Secretary, Law Department (Inspection Wing) Tvm.

Sub: Delay, inaction, etc. on the part of Departments-
avoidance of - instructions issued -

The following instances of delay or irregularity
on the part of Departmental Officers and Departments of the
Secretariat were noticed during the inspection by the Law
Department of the Office of the Advocate General:-

1. An officer/who was respondent in an OP and who
received notice direct from the court, did not send copies of
the OP and affidavit to the Advocate General while requesting him
to enter appearance on his behalf. These records were not for-
warded to the Advocate General inspite of his specific request
for the same.

2. Inordinate delay was noticed in several cases for
returning fair copies of counter affidavits forwarded by the
Advocate General to officers for their signature.

3. In respect of several OPs statements of facts were
not furnished in time with the result that the Government Law
Officers were not able to place the full facts before the court
or to prepare counter affidavits in time.

4. In an OP, a District Collector requested the
Advocate General to enter appearance and defend the OP on
behalf of the Government. Though in his letter it was stated that
he enclosed the records of the case, no records were actually
enclosed. Several other instances of this nature were also
noticed.

2. In order to avoid such instances in future, attention
of all the Departments of the Secretariat including Finance, and
all the Heads of Departments is invited to rule 87 of the Kerala
Government Law Officers (Appointment and Conditions of Service)
and Conduct of Cases Rules, 1978, and they are requested to
ensure that prompt and timely action is taken in all matters
connected with the conduct of State cases before the High Court.

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Chief Secretary

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