GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

No.17071/B3/92/Law, Law (Inspection Wing) Department, Trivandrum, Dated, 22.12.1992

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Sub:- Delay in complying with Court Orders Instructions--regarding.

Instance have come to the notice of Government that delay in complying with court directions resulted in contempt petitions and in certain cases court directions to the Chief Secretary and Secretaries to Government for personal appearance before the Court. As such instances badly reflect on the Government, the following instructions are issued to all Departments for strict compliance.

Directions of the Courts should be strictly complied with by the Heads of Departments and other officers concerned within the stipulated time. Unless such decisions are taken on appeal/review in appropriate proceeding before the appropriate forum and stay order obtained. In cases where extension of time is found essential for its implementation, urgent steps should be taken to move for such extension of time well before the expiry of the permissible time limit. No officer should delay the implementation of the court directions on any account. If there is any difficulty or doubt in its implementation the matter should be brought to the notice of the Head of Departments or Secretaries to Government who will then be personally responsible to ensure that prompt action is taken to comply with court order. Where there is any instance of delay in complying with court orders resulting in contempt petitions, the Secretary to Government concerned should personally enquire into the matter, fix responsibility for the delay and take disciplinary action against those responsible.

K.V.RABINDRAN NAIR Chief Secretary.

To

All Heads of Departments.

Section Officer.

Endt on No B6-2270/93 dated 2.2.1993.

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