No.9734/74/Law, Law Department (Suits) Dated, Trivandrum 21-6-1974.

CIRCULAR

Sub:- Petition filed in High Court-contesting of instructions to Heads of Departments.

Ref:- 1. Circular No.858/C1/69/Law dated 17-1-1969.

2. G.O.MS.No.65/73/Law dated 6-11-1973.

In the Circular read as first paper above Government had directed all Heads of Departments and other officers to contact the Advocate General directly in matters connected with applications against state or its officers regarding stay. In the G.O. read as second paper above Government have laid down in detail the procedure to be followed in such cases. In order to safe guard the financial interests of the State it has also been directed therein that whenever petitions are filed in the High Court praying for stay or injunction departmental officers should immediately furnish the Liason Officer in the Office of the Advocate General with copies of the writ petitions and Interlacutory Applications and also the necessary facts to disclose prime facia the falsity of the allegations in the writ petitions nd the irreparable loss and injury caused to Government exchequer. Instances have been brought to the notice of Government where Government's Officers have failed to comply with the above directions or where they have not been helpful to the Liaison Officer to take urgent action to protect the interest of the State. It is also brought to the notice that some officers are sending letters to the Advocate General in such cases. Communications have to be the Laison Officer. It is further reported that certain officer keep quiet thinking that interim stay is only for a few weeks. But there is every likelihood of that being extended if proper steps are not taken.

Government, therefore, once again remind all Heads of Departments and other officers to strictly follow the procedure laid down in the G.O. read as 2nd paper above. Any lapse on the part of Government officials in this regard will be viewed very seriopusly.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/- M. Sekharan, Law Secretary. All Heads of Departments and officers

Endt. on E2-31153/71 (K.Dis dt 6-7-74.

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Sd/- for Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

Endt, on E1-13982/74 dt.9-8-'74.

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