

Government of Gujarat
Home Department,
NO.JLK-4397-HCR-02-J, (Part-II)
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
Dt 2-1-2000

Reference : Writ petition (C) No.559/1994, R.D.Upadhyay V/s State of
Andhra Pradesh & ors in Hon.Supreme Court of India.

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The Government have made Gujarat Prisons (Visitors) Rules, 1974 vide Notification dtd. 15.1.1974, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (25) of section 59 of Prisons Act, 1894 (IX of 1894) and have constituted the Board of visitors for each prisons consisting of Ex Officio visitors and other non official visitors.

2. In light of the long pendency of cases, of under trial prisoners languishing in jails, it has been felt necessary to have a mechanism which can monitor such cases and take necessary action for speedy trial. It has been decided to form a Core Committee of following mentioned officers to monitor such cases at the interval of every three months.

- (1) District Magistrate, Chairman,
- (2) Respective Sessions Judge, including Additional and Assistant Sessions Judges,
- (3) Commissioner of Police/District Superintendent of Police, and
- (4) Superintendent of Prison.

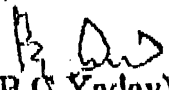
3. WORKING OF THE CORE COMMITTEE :-

- (1) This Core Committee shall meet in the first week of January, April, July and October every year specially for monitoring the cases and pendency of cases of under trial prisoners.
- (2) Committee shall take the decision to withdraw the cases, after Government's approval wherever necessary, of eligible under trial prisoners languishing in jails under petty offences.

- (3) The action taken by this committee shall be reported to the Government within fifteen days after the meeting of this committee with a copy to respective courts, Secretary Legal Department, Director General of Police and Inspector General of Prisoners for further necessary action if any.
- (4) The Chairman of this Committee shall appoint a Member Secretary or Superintendent of respective Prison may work as a Member Secretary if Chairman so desires.

The above instructions shall be scrupulously followed.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,


(B.C. Yadav)

Deputy Secretary to Government of Gujarat,
Home Department.

Copy with compliments to :-

- (1) Principal Secretary to Hon. Chief Minister, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- (2) Personal Secretary to Hon. Minister(Jail), Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- (3) Personal Secretary to Hon. Minister of State, (Home, Border Security Information and Broadcasting) Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- (4) Personal Secretary to Hon. Minister of State, (Law and Judiciary) Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

Copy to :-

- (1) Secretary, Legal Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar,
- (2) Secretary, Home Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar,
- (3) Director General and Inspector General of Police, Gujarat State, Ahmedabad.
- (4) Inspector General of Prisons, Gujarat State, Ahmedabad.
- (5) All District Magistrates,
- (6) Registrars, all Sessions Judge, all Additional and Assistant Sessions Judges,
- (7) All Commissioner of police ,
- (8) All District Superintendent of Police,
- (9) All Jail Superintendents
- (10) N-Branch, Home Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- (11) Branch select file,
- (12) Deputy Section Officer select file.