OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL (PRISONS), CENTRAL JAIL THAR, NEAR LAJWANTI GARDEN CHOWK, NEW DELHI – 110 064

Standing Order No.37

Sub: Use of mobile phone in prisons-regarding.

from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi and circulated vide U.O. no. PS/DG(P)/2010/510-541 dated 22-06-2010 by my predecessor is enclosed for recirculation. The issue of usage of mobile phones in prisons is of utmost importance and requires constant monitoring by the Superintendent jail himself. He should have a list of probable & potential mobile users in his prison, who shall be searched regularly and thoroughly at odd hours by teams comprising of jail and TSP staff.

Jail Superintendents must ensure that regular searches are conducted in their prison and no inmate is allowed to stay at a place for a long period. No extra luggage should be allowed to the inmates as it can become a hiding place for mobiles. All incoming trucks of goods should be thoroughly checked and searched for mobile phones. Proper but courteous search should be done of all staff members of DJ, TSP, CRPF, ITBP, PWD, Medical, para-medical, advocates and visitors who visit/perform duties inside the jails.

Moreover, it is once again stressed that in case a surprise check reveals a mobile phone, the concerned Head Warder, A.S.(Incharge) of the Ward, both Dy. Superintendents should be held accountable for entry of the prohibited item inside the jail.

Even though we have 11 jammers installed in various jails and we are in the process of installing 21 more jammers, we should not remain complacent and develop intelligence regarding smuggling/usage of mobile phones by prison inmates. The working of jammers should be monitored on a daily basis and all night duty GO's must check the functioning of jammers.

Concerned Jail, Superintendent will be held accountable if mobile phones are found inside the jail and it is found that adequate preventive steps were not taken by the Superintendent. He/she must ensure proper searching, developing intelligence, and scanning potential mobile phone users on a sustained basis to prevent and detect this menace.

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