

**CIRCULAR NO: 28 /99.**

Sub: Investigation of grave Crimes - further instruction issued- reg.

Ref: 1) Police Headquarters Circular No. 18/98 dtd: 12-05-1998.  
2) Order No: Confdl.III/44801/98 Dtd: 18-08-1998.\*\*

Instances have come to notice in which some officers are entrusting the investigation of cases registered u/s 498 (A) IPC to ASIs and HCs. This is highly irregular. Such cases should be investigated by the SIs personally under the close supervision of CIs and Dy SP. But all cases registered u/s 498 (A) IPC in which the victim is dead should be investigated personally by the Dy SP since it is already included in the category of grave crimes. All offences u/s 304 (B) IPC (Dowry death) should also be investigated by the Dy SP as referred to in Circular No.18/98. However, in cases of 498 (A) investigated by the SI, the investigation should be personally verified by the CI, before charge sheeting/referring.

As far as the cases registered u/s 304 (A) IPC (Motor accident death cases) involving loss of two or more human life; are concerned, it is included in the list of grave crimes vide Police Headquarters Circular No. 18/98 dtd: 12.5.98. This must be investigated by the CIs. But all cases under 304 (A) IPC involving death of a single individual shall be investigated by the SIs personally and CIs will supervise the first investigation and visit the spot in all cases without any delay. Such cases shall not be considered as grave crime. But at the same time CI will issue proper guidelines to the SI at the time of holding the inquest and conducting first investigation. The investigation of such cases shall not be given to the junior officers. After finalisation of the case, CI will verify the investigation conducted by the SI and approve the draft charge sheet, in such cases, before presenting the same in the Court.

It is noticed that the Sub Divisional Police Officers are not taking proper follow up action in the Grave crimes except forwarding the routine Grave Crimes Reports. In future the Dy Supdts of Police will call for the CD files with factual reports/draft charge sheet of all Grave Crimes for scrutiny in his office when the investigation is closed. He will satisfy himself whether the instructions given to the investigating officers as per his GCR have been complied with or not. Thereafter the Dy SP will approve the final report before presenting it in the Court.

These instructions are issued for ensuring a uniform pattern in the investigation of such cases which require special skill and professionalism. All Range DIGs and SPs will ensure that the above instructions are strictly carried out and make a pointed reference to those instructions in the next Crime conference.

Please acknowledge.

Sd/  
Director General of Police.

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All Officers in list 'B' for information and necessary action.

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