



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Home Department-Prisons- State Advisory Board as described in paragraph 32.02 of Chapter XXXII of the Model Prison Manual, 2016 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India - constituted -orders issued.

HOME(B)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.2951/2023/HOME Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 13-10-2023

Read 1 Model Prison Manual 2016 issued by the Government of India.

2 Judgment dated 15.09.2017 in IA No.68248 of 2017 in WP (c) No. 406 of 2013

ORDER

The Supreme Court of India in it's judgement read as 2nd paper above, inter alia directed the State Government to constitute an appropriate Board of Visitors in terms of Chapter XXIX of the Model Prison Manual indicating their duties and responsibilities. Para 1 of Chapter XXIX of the Model Prison Manual, 2016 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, mandates that the State Government shall, by notification, constitute a Board of Visitors comprising Official and Non-official members at District and Sub divisional level. To comply with the direction in the above judgment, the Government have constituted the Board of Visitors at district level in accordance with the said Manual, by notification No.3677 dated

29.10.2022, where in it is mandated that the Director General, Prisons and Correctional Services shall place a copy of the minutes of the last meeting/meetings of the Board of Visitors of all the prisons before the State Advisory Board. More over para 2 of Chapter XXXII of the Model Prison Manual, 2016 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, advises to constitute a state advisory board to advise the State Government and the prison administration on matters relating to correctional work in prisons, rehabilitation of inmates and redressal of grievances of prisoners.

2. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute the State Advisory Board comprising the following Official and Non-Official members, for the purposes mentioned below in pursuance of paragraph 32.02 of Chapter XXXII of the Model Prison Manual, 2016 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, namely:-

- a) Minister in-charge of Prisons & Correctional Services -
Chairman
- b) Secretary in-charge of Prisons & Correctional Services - Vice
Chairman
- c) Principal Secretary, Department of Prisons & Correctional Services
- d) Director General, Prisons & Correctional Services - Member
Secretary.
- e) Law Secretary or any of his nominee not below the rank of Joint
Secretary
- f) Director General of Police (HQ)

- g) Director, Education
- h) Director, Technical Education
- i) Director, Health Services
- j) Chief Engineer, Public Works Department
- k) The Director of Industries
- l) Special Secretary Finance, as nominated by Secretary Finance Department
- m) Director, Social Welfare.

(A) Members representing the Kerala Legislative Assembly

- 1.Sri.K. V. Sumesh MLA
- 2.Smt.K. Santhakumari MLA
- 3.Sri.A.P Anil Kumar MLA

(B) Elected Members of Parliament

- 1.Adv.A. M. Arif MP
- 2.Dr. V. Sivadasan MP

**(C) Eminent members of the public working in the field of
prison administration and welfare**

- 1. Smt. Padmavathi. E, Barotti House, Kolathoor.P.O, Chengala via, Kazargod - 671541, Phone - 9446085111
- 2. Sri. C. Ajayakumar, Rachana, B.R.R.A - 133, Kumarapuram,

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3. Sri. A. Mahendran, Valiyayyath, Kizhakkethil, Menampally, Pathiyoor.P.O, Alappuzha, Phone - 9946810001

(D)A retired officer of prison office of the state, not below the rank of Deputy Inspector General

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3.The State Advisory Board shall hold at least one meeting in a calendar year. In the wake of any extraordinary situation, the Member Secretary is authorized to convene a special meeting of the Members of the State Advisory Board to apprise the Members of details of the situation warranting such meetings.

4. The proceeding of every meeting of the State Advisory Board shall be recorded in the Minute Book, and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the Minister in charge of Prisons and the Secretary of the Prison Department.

5. The Members of the State Advisory Board may visit any prison of the State. The Members of the State Advisory Board, however, shall refrain themselves from visiting any prison during the period between evening locking-up and morning un-locking.The Superintendent shall present before the visiting Member/Members of the State Advisory Board any paper/document in connection with the correctional work, recreation, training of prisoners, prison diet, health-care of prisoners, grievances of prisoners and redressal of prisoners, if the same is sought

for by the visiting Member/Members of the State Advisory Board.

6.For the purpose of the meetings of the State Advisory Board, six members, including at least two official and two non-official members, shall comprise a quorum. If a non-official member of the State Advisory Board fails to attend the meetings of the Board, despite prior intimation and notice, on three successive occasions, his/her membership of the Advisory Board shall stand cancelled automatically and the Member Secretary of the Board shall move the State Government for appointing a new non-official member in his/her place.

7. A Non-Official member of the State Advisory Board shall hold office for a period of three years from the date his/her appointment to the Board, and may be considered for reappointment.

(By order of the Governor)

BISHWANATH SINHA

ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

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10. Secretary, Law Department

11.State Police Chief Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

12.Director General, Prisons & Correctional Services ,
Thiruvananthapuram

13. Director of General Education, Thiruvananthapuram

14. Director of Technical Education,Thiruvananthapuram

15.Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram

16.Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Thiruvananthapuram

17.The Director of Industries, Thiruvananthapuram

18. Director of Social Welfare.Thiruvananthapuram

19. Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit) Kerala,

Thiruvananthapuram

20.Finance Department

21.Law Opinion (E) Department (Vide LEG-E1/196/2023/Law dated
12.09.2023)

22.Information and Public Relations (Web & New Media Department
(for publication in official website)

23.The Stock file / Office Copy

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2)Personal Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary
(Home & Vigilance)