# OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE: DELHI

## CIRCULAR

**No. 06 /2021**

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its judgment dated 02.12.2020 in SLP (Crl.) No. 3543/2020 titled Paramvir Singh Saini Vs Baljit Singh & Ors. has passed directions for installation of CCTVs in every Police Station and all the premises where interrogation/investigation is conducted and arrests are effected.

On the directions of the Hon'ble Court oversight mechanism (i) State Level Oversight Committee (SLOC) and (ii) District Level Oversight Committee (DLOC) has also been constituted, which is placed at **Annexure-A.** The Committees have been constituted for studying the CCTVs footage on monthly basis in order to check human right abuses. In the SLOC, one Special Commissioner of Police, Delhi shall be the Member/Nodal Officer and in the DLOC, the DCP Districts shall be the Member/Nodal Officer.

**Responsibilities of SLOC**

a) Purchase, distribution and installation of CCTVs and its equipment;

b) Obtaining the budgetary allocation for the same;

c) Continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment;

d) Carrying out inspections and addressing the grievances received from the DLOC;

e) To call for monthly reports from the DLOC and immediately address any concerns like faulty equipment.

**Responsibilities of DLOC**

a) Supervision, maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment.

b)Continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment.

c) To interact with the Station House Officer as to the functioning and maintenance of CCTVs and its equipment.

d) To send monthly reports to the SLOC about the functioning of CCTVs and allied equipment.

e) To review footage stored from CCTVs in the various Police Stations to check for any human rights violation that may have occurred but are not reported.

The SLOC shall give directions to all Police Stations, investigative/enforcement agencies to prominently display at the entrance and inside the police stations/offices of investigative/ enforcement agencies about the coverage of the concerned premises by CCTV. This shall be done by large posters in English, Hindi and vernacular language.

The Hon'ble Apex Court has further directed to issue directions qua the duties and responsibilities to the officer Incharge of Police Station for upkeep and functioning of CCTVs installed in the Police Station, the same is as under:-

**Duties and Responsibilities of SHOs**

a) The duty and responsibility for the working, maintenance and recording of CCTVs shall be that of the SHO of the police station concerned.

b) It shall be the duty and obligation of the SHO to immediately report to the District Level Oversight Committee (DLOC) any fault with the equipment or malfunctioning of CCTVs.

c) **If the CCTVs are not functioning in a particular police station, the concerned SHO shall inform the DLOC of the arrest/interrogations carried out in that police station during the said period and forward the said record to the DLOC.**

d) If the concerned SHO has reported malfunctioning or non-functioning of CCTVs of a particular Police Station, the DLOC shall immediately request the State Level Oversight Committee (SLOC) for repair and purchase of the equipment, which shall be done immediately.

e) The SHO is also responsible for CCTV data maintenance, backup of data, fault rectification etc.

Apart from the Police Stations, any other agency, which carries out interrogation in their offices and has powers of arrest e.g. Special Staff, AATS, AHTUs, MACT Cells, Narcotic Cells of districts, Crime, Cyber Cell, SPUW&C, Vigilance & Spl Cell, etc., CCTVs shall be compulsorily installed in all such offices. In these Cells, the duty and responsibility for the working, maintenance and recording of CCTVs shall be of the senior most Inspectors in the cell concerned, who shall be designated by the concerned DCP by way of a written order

Keeping in view of the above, all SHOs/Inspectors of investigating units so designated are hereby directed to ensure strict compliance of the directions passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. Non compliance shall be viewed seriously.

This has the approval of Commissioner of Police Delhi.

12/2/21

**[RAJESH DEO]**
**DY. COMMISSIONER OF POLICE**
**LEGAL CELL/PHQ, NEW DELHI**

No.751-900/Record Branch/PHQ, dated Delhi, the 12-02-2021

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1. All Special Commissioners of Police including MD/DPHC, Delhi.
2. All Joint Commissioners of Police, Delhi.
3. All Addl. Commissioners of Police including Principal/PTC, Delhi.
4. All DCsP of Districts/Units, including FRRO, Delhi/ New Delhi.
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ANNEXURE-A

F. No. 11/55/2021/HP-II/A/ 564-579

GOVT. OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
HOME POLICE-II DEPARTMENT, LEVEL-5,'C' WING
DELHI SECRETARIAT: I.P.ESTATE: NEW DELHI-110002.

Dated: 09/02/2021

## ORDER

Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order dated 03.04.2018 in the SLP(Crl.) No. 2302 of 2017 titled Shafhi Mohammad versus the State of Himachal Pradesh referred its earlier judgment in D.K. Basu versus State of West Bengal and Ors.(2015) 8 SCC 744 and directed that with a view to check human rights abuse CCTV cameras be installed in all police stations. It observed that there is need for a further direction that in every State an oversight mechanism be created whereby an independent committee can study the CCTV camera footages and periodically publish report of its observations.

Further, Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 02.12.2020 in the SLP(Crl.) No. 3543/2020 titled Paramvir Singh Saini versus Baljit Singh & Ors, has directed to constitute the State Level Oversight Committee and District Level Oversight Committees in this regard.

In compliance of the aforementioned orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Delhi is pleased to constitute the State Level Oversight Committee and District Level Oversight Committees in respect of GNCT of Delhi, with the following composition:

1. State Level Oversight Committee (SLOC) :
   - (i) The Principal Secretary, Home Department---------- Chairman
   - (ii) Secretary, Finance Department ----------Member
   - (iii) Special Commissioner of Police----------Member/Nodal Officer
   - (iv) A Member of the Delhi Commission for Women----------Member

   The SLOC shall ensure that the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court are carried out, related to, namely:

   a) Purchase, distribution and installation of CCTVs and its equipment;
   b) Obtaining the budgetary allocation for the same;
   c) Continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment;
   d) Carrying out inspections and addressing the grievances received from the DLOC;
   e) Call for monthly reports from the DLOC and immediately address any concerns like faulty equipment.

2 District Level Oversight Committees (DLOC) for each Revenue District of NCT of Delhi, comprising of :

   - (i) The Divisional Commissioner ----------Chairman
   - (ii) The District Magistrate of the District---------- Member
   - (iii) Deputy Commissioner of Police of the District ---- Member/Nodal Officer
   - (iv) Mayor/Deputy Mayor of the concerned Municipal Corporation - Member

   As the jurisdiction of police districts and municipal corporations do not perfectly coincide with the boundaries of Revenue Districts in NCT of Delhi, the respective Deputy Commissioner(s) of Police, Mayor/Deputy Mayor, Chairman of a Zone of DMC wherever necessary may be co-opted as a Member of the concerned District Level Oversight Committees.

   The DLOC shall ensure that the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court are carried out, related to, namely

   a) Supervision, maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment,
   b) Continuous monitoring of maintenance and upkeep of CCTVs and its equipment,
   c) Interact with the Station House Officer as to the functioning and maintenance of CCTVs and its equipment.

d) Send monthly reports to the SLOC about the functioning of CCTVs and allied equipment.
e) Review footage stored from CCTVs in the various Police Stations to check for any human rights violation that may have occurred but are not reported.

Deputy Secretary(Home-IIA)

Dated: 09/02/2021

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(i) The Chairperson, Delhi Commission for Women, GNCT of Delhi, C-Block, 2nd Floor, Vikas Bhawan, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-11002 with the request to nominate a Member of the Delhi Commission for Women for the State Level Oversight Committee.
(ii) The Principal Secretary, Home Department GNCT of Delhi, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi.
(iii) The Commissioner of Police, Police Headquarters, Jai Singh Marg, New Delhi.
(iv) The Divisional Commissioner, Revenue Department, GNCT of Delh, 5 Sham Nath Marg, New Delhi, with the request to issue separate order for constitution of District Level Oversight Committees in each Revenue District of NCT of Delhi with the above said composition.
(v) The Secretary, Finance Department, GNCT of Delhi, 4th Level, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi.
(vi) Commissioner, North DMC, Civic Centre, New Delhi.
(vii) Commissioner, South DMC, Civic Centre, New Delhi.
(viii) Commissioner, East DMC, 419 Udyog Sadan, Patparganj Industrial Area, Delhi, 110096.

(vi)-(viii) with the request to intimate the Mayor/Deputy Mayor concerned regarding his/her inclusion as Member in the DLOC.

(ix) Special Secretary to Lt. Governor, Delhi, Raj Niwas, Delhi-110054.
(x) OSD to Chief Secretary, Delhi.
(xi) Guard file

Deputy Secretary(Home-IIA)