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Police Headquarters  
Thiruvananthapuram

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**Executive Directive No. 16/2018**

**Sub: Strengthening enforcement of drug trafficking –reg.**

While Kerala Police has done commendable work in respect of creating awareness against narcotic substances and drugs, the **enforcement** side needs immediate improvement. At present in every district there is a setup to handle narcotic substances and drugs under the charge of a DySP/ ACP, Narcotic Cell. We had also ordered earlier to form DANSAF (District Anti-narcotic Special Action Force) in each District. On analysis we found the following deficiencies;

1. DPCs are not giving proper attention towards enforcement and in-depth investigation of cases relating to drugs and narcotic substances.
2. Seizures are quite low.
3. Various stringent provisions relating to attachment of property etc. are not invoked.
4. Conspiracy, origin of the illegal trafficking, production centres, bigger players etc. are not investigated the way these should be investigated.
5. The drugs related intelligence is highly inadequate.

**02.** While KANSAF is an umbrella structure of co-ordination, enforcement is the prime responsibility of the District Police. Various reports say that Kerala is being used as a transit point of drug smuggling in addition to the State recording increased consumption/usage.

**03.** There are reports, wherein the students in Educational Institutions are also involved in consumption and limited peddling. Synthetic drugs and similar substances are there in the market also.

**04.** In order to tone-up the enforcement, the following instructions are issued;

**a.** At the Range Level, the IGP will be responsible for drug enforcement and investigation. He can choose a few dedicated and competent officers of the Narcotic Division of the Districts including one or two DySsP (Narcotics) of the jurisdictional Districts and form a **Special Squad** which will strengthen the enforcement and result in more seizures and more arrests.

**b.** An intelligence unit should be formed inside the Squad, which will be engaged in collection of actionable intelligence.

**c.** The special squad of the IGP should cover the entire range jurisdiction. However after the detection of cases, the investigations shall be done by the concerned police stations with the help of the Special Squad and the Narcotic Divisions of the concerned Districts.

**d.** All the police stations should be sensitized about the importance of enforcement of drug laws etc.; the police stations must detect drug cases in their respective jurisdictions.

e. The DANSAF structure in each District will continue and they will do effective co-ordination with other agencies, will collect intelligence, will oversee the investigation of drug cases in various Police Stations, brief the DPCs etc.

f. ADGP (Int.) will earmark a small team which will be pressed into collection of intelligence on drugs, drug users, drug peddlers, drug producers and drug traffickers.

g. IGP (Administration) & Nodal Officer of KANSAF in PHQ will be in touch with all the range IsGP/ DPCs and will be the representative of state police chief for the entire state. He will collect figures etc. and will brief the SPC. He will conduct Videoconferencing as being done every month. All the facilities and logistics support should be provided to the concerned DPCs & to the IsGP by the IG [KANSAF].

h. During the investigation, the conspiracy and origin aspects should be invariably investigated. SEIZURES should not be treated as mere seizure cases and we have to identify and detect producers/ bigger players.

05. The DPCs shall not give other duties to the DySsP/ ACPs, Narcotic Cells and they shall be fully utilized for the works as stated above. DPCs shall interact with Excise Officials to increase seizures.

06. All the above instructions come into force with immediate effect.

**Loknath Behera IPS**  
DGP & State Police Chief

**Distribution:**

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- **ADGP (Int.) & all Range IsGP shall furnish action taken report on the above instructions to the PHQ on or before 15.04.2018. IGP KANSAF shall put up monthly reports to SPC. He is free to interact and collect information with/ from any officer on behalf of the SPC.**

