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POLICE HEADQUARTERS
Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
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Sub:- Enhancement of safety and security of Tourists in tourist destinations in Kerala – Orders issued - Regarding.

Ref:- (1) PHQ Circular No. 108/1970 dtd 02/08/1970.
(2) PHQ Circular No. 68/1971 dtd 28/05/1971.
(3) PHQ Circular No. 176/1971 dtd 27/11/1971.
(4) PHQ Circular No. 58/1994 dtd 27/12/1994.
(5) PHQ Circular No. 04/2008 dtd 01/07/2008.
(6) PHQ Circular No. 04/2010 dtd 27/01/2010.

The above references pertain to various aspects of security to Tourists in Kerala-issued from time to time.

02. Tourism is an important economic activity for our State. Kerala, known as “*God’s Own Country*” world over, attracts tourists from India and abroad. The tourists need to be provided with adequate security (both visible & invisible) so that sense of security remains in their minds while visiting various tourist destinations, and other places in Kerala.

03. We are one of the first States to have introduced Tourism Police, functioning since 1991. Though, the strength is not adequate to cover all the destinations, yet they have done a good job so far. With the 13th Finance Commission Awards (FCA), we built a number of “Tourist Protection and Police Assistance Centres” at various places. Some of them are operational, whereas some of them have not started operating because of the steps not being taken by the concerned DPCs. They have to be made operational by June 15th 2018. **[Action: DPCs]**

04. Meanwhile, while attaching "recently passed-out Women Police Constables" to Police Stations, we have given directions to attach some of them to various tourist spot Police Stations and utilise them as Tourism Police Personnel. They should be given orientation by DPCs by taking the help of Tourism Department and also by using our