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Subject: Instructions regarding Criminal matters.

Circular No. 14 -AG

Dated: 10 .04.2023

Attention of all the Law Officers/ Government Counsels appearing for contesting the criminal matters before the Hon'ble High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, is brought to the directions passed by the Hon'ble Court in the WP (Crl) No.296/2021 titled Rameez Ahmad Lone V/s UT of J&K and others, on 31.03.2023.

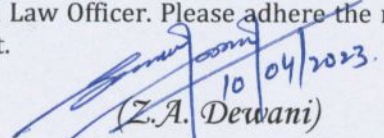
The concluding part of the directions passed in the above petition is reproduced inter-alia;

"It needs a mention here that in most of the cases the detention record produced by the respondents is in a disorganized manner as it does not bear the index viz. page numbers et. Etc. The Registrar Judicial shall keep the scanned copy of the detention record with the record of the instant file. The learned Advocate General is accordingly requested to impress upon all the Govt. Counsels appearing in the detention matters on behalf of the detaining authority/ respondents to submit indexed page-marked detention record wherever directed and any failure in this regard shall be viewed seriously."

In this context, the Ld. Advocate General, has during the review meeting in January-2023 and on other occasions instructed to ensure maintenance of complete record in general and in particular to the criminal cases. Although the directions are reported to be complied but it appears from the above that it lacks in certain cases, which need more attention.

In view of the above, it is enjoined upon all the Law Officers / Government Counsels, to ensure submission of indexed page-marked detention record wherever directed by the Hon'ble Court and avoid any embarrassing situation on the performance of the concerned Law Officer. Please adhere the rules and guidelines on the subject in letter and spirit.

By Order.


(Z.A. Dewani)
Administrative Officer,
with Advocate General, J&K

No: AGJK/Adm0Cors/40/2022-02/ 340-44

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