Departmental Enquiries -Examination of witnesses.

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It has come to the notice of Government that in many of the cases referred to the various Heads of Departments by the Anti-Corruption Bureau suggesting departmental action against the delinquents on various charges enguired into, by the Bureau, the charges could not be proved as the officers of the Bureau who had made the enquiries and the important witnesses whose evidence recorded by the Bureau in the preliminary enquiries was material for establishing the charges against the delinquents, were not examined by the Enquiry Officers during the course of departmental enquiries. The Bureau had therefore to approach the higher authorities in all such cases for reviewing the orders already passed by the lower authorities on the basis of the findings of the enquiry officer. This creates avoidable work for all concerned and results in delay in finalising the cases. In order to obviate this, Government is pleased to direct that in departmental enquiry cases instituted at the instance of the Anti-Corruption Bureau, the Enquiry Officershould call for and examine the officer of the Bureau who had conducted the preliminary enquiries and also the important witnesses whose evidence as recorded by the Bureau would be material for establishing the charges against the delinquents. All Officers conducting departmental enquiries should bear these instructions in mind.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

K.P. NADKARNI, Under Secretary to Government.

The Secretary to the Governor,

The Private Secretary to the Chief Minister,

The Secretary, Maharashtra Public Service Commission, Bombay,

The Prothonotary and Senior Master, High Court, Bombay (by letter), The Registrar, High Court, Appellate Side, Bombay (by letter),

The Director, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Bombay, All other Heads of Departments and Heads of Offices under the several Departments of the Secretariat, The Home Department,

All other Departments of the Secretariat.

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