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According to the modifications suggested by the Govt. of India the amendment to section-8 of the Regulation was drafted and sent to AS (Law) vide this office letter dated 29th July, 99 at page 7/c. The Law Department, in turn, sent the above amendment notification to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs vide their letter dated 12th Aug., 99 at page 8/c.

Even though the PAT Regulation is not a law aimed at removing social evils, it is all the same necessary to prescribe minimum punishment, both imprisonment and fine under the PAT Regulation so as to have deterrent effect on the offenders. While sending the draft amendment notification, the attention of the Govt. of India has not been drawn to the proposed amendment having been approved by the expert group constituted by the Ministry of Home Affairs. So we could write back to the Govt. of India inviting their attention to the draft amendment having been accepted by the expert group so as to enable them to take a decision in terms of the recommendations of the expert group.

The existing penal provision of the Regulation is also cognizable under CRPC and the Police is competent to arrest the offenders.

A statement showing the cases booked last ten years and punishment awarded year-wise has been received from IGP vide his letter dated 2.3.2001 at page 9-35/c. If approved, we may send a reply to the Govt of India in the above lines. However, if considered necessary the draft reply may be shown to the Secretary Judicial for concurrence before it is sent to Govt. of India.

Submitted for approval please.

Research Officer (TW)

Director (TW)

Secy (TW) may kindly ~~see~~ approve

before issue of ~~draft~~ letter.

Secy (TW)

Director (TW)

There are some factual errors in the letter. I would also like to see previous file on the same.

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