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Law & Order – Chennai District – Incidents of violence that occurred in the campus of Dr.Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai on 12.11.2008 – Appointment of Commission of Inquiry under the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952) – Ordered.

PUBLIC (LAW & ORDER-F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 1285

Dated: 14. 11.2008

ORDER:

The Government have decided to appoint a Commission of Inquiry to inquire into the causes and circumstances that to the Incidents of violence that occurred in the campus of Dr.Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai on 12.11.2008 with Hon'ble Justice Thiru P.Shanmugam, Retired High Court Judge.

2. The following Notification shall be published in an Extra-ordinary issue of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated 14.11.2008.

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Government of Tamil Nadu is of the opinion that it is necessary to appoint a Commission of Inquiry for the purpose of making an inquiry into a definite matter of public importance hereinafter specified ;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints a Commission of Inquiry consisting of a single member, namely, Hon'ble Justice Thiru P.Shanmugam, Retired High Court Judge.

3. The terms of reference of the Commission of Inquiry shall be as follows, namely:-

- i) To inquire into the causes and circumstances leading to the incidents of violence that occurred between the students of two groups in the campus of Dr.Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai on 12.11.2008.
- ii) Whether the Principal of Dr.Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai, had prior knowledge about the rivalry prevailing between the students of the College and the action taken by him ;
- iii) To inquire into the action taken by the Police and if there are any lapses and shortcomings on the part of the Police, the persons responsible for the same and the action to be taken against them ;
- iv) To suggest ways and means to avoid such incidents in future ;
- v) To make appropriate recommendations as the Commission deems them fit ;

4. The Commission will complete its inquiry and submit its report to the State Government within a period of three months from the date of publication of this Notification in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

5. AND WHEREAS, the Government of Tamil Nadu is of the opinion, having regard to the nature of the inquiry to be made by the Commission of Inquiry and other circumstances of the case, that all the provisions of sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952) shall be made applicable to the Commission of Inquiry.

6. NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby directs that all the provisions of the said sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of the said section 5 of the said Act shall apply to the Commission of Inquiry.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**D. JOTHI JAGARAJAN,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.**