



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Home Dept- Forensic Science - Forensic Science Laboratory-NDPS Cases- Temporary Diversion of Ganja cases from District Forensic Science Laboratories Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam to the Chemistry Division, State Forensic Science Laboratory Thiruvananthapuram for chemical examination for one year with effect from 01.01.2026- Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

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Read Letter No. S4(a)-251328/2023/PHQ dated 05.01.2026 from the State Police Chief, Kerala.

As per the letter read above, the State Police Chief has reported that 501 NDPS cases are pending at the District Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram, and 534 NDPS cases are pending at the District Forensic Science Laboratory, Kollam. It is due to the acute shortage of manpower and the comparatively heavy workload at these DFSL, as compared to the FSL Thiruvananthapuram, examination reports are being delayed in forwarding to the concerned courts within the stipulated time. This delay may also adversely affect the timely disposal of NDPS cases.

The State Police Chief has requested to issue orders to forward all ganja cases falling within the jurisdiction of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam districts to the Chemistry division of the State Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram, for a period of one year with effect from 01.01.2026, so as to ensure timely completion of chemical examinations and avoid pendency.

Government have examined the matter in detail and observed that, as a temporary measure, diversion of NDPS cases is necessary to ensure timely disposal and to avoid accumulation of pendency. In the circumstances, Government are pleased to accord sanction to forward all Ganja cases falling within the jurisdiction of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam districts to the Chemistry Division of the State Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram, for a period of one year with effect from 01.01.2026 so as to ensure timely completion of chemical examinations and to avoid pendency.

The State Police Chief and the Director, State Forensic Science Laboratory shall take further necessary action to implement the above order forthwith, in accordance with the existing guidelines and subject to obtaining permission of the concerned courts wherever required.

(By order of the Governor)
BISHWANATH SINHA
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

The State Police Chief, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Director, State Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram
The Accountant General, A&E, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
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Section Officer

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