

19. TAMIL NADU

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

The Director General of Police, Social Justice, CID supervises the functioning of the PCR Units headed by the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Human Rights and Social Justice, CID, Chennai with seven Deputy Superintendents of Police (Mobile Squads) and supporting staff located at Chennai, Trichy, Villupuram, Thanjavur, Ramanathapuram, Madurai and Tirunelveli. The Protection of Civil Rights Wing enforces the provisions of the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989. The functions of Human Rights and Social Justice CID Wing are to supervise investigation of cases registered under the Acts.

SPECIAL COURTS

Four Exclusive Special Courts for speedy disposal of cases registered under the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 are functioning at the following District Headquarters.

S. No.	Name of the head quarters	Jurisdiction over the Districts
1.	Trichy	Trichy Commissionerate, Trichy, and Pudukottai.

2.	Thanjavur	Thanjavur, Nagapattinam and Thiruvarur.
3.	Madurai	Madurai Commissionerate, Madurai Dindigul, Theni, Ramanathapuram, Sivagangai and Virudhunagar.
4.	Thirunelveli	Thirunelveli Commissionerate, Thirunelveli, Thoothukudi and Kanniyakumari.

In addition there are designated District Courts to try the cases under the Acts.

PERIODIC SURVEYS

For conducting survey and collection of statistical information, each PCR Unit has a Statistical Inspector who is assisted by the staff of PCR Unit. This work is supervised by the Deputy Superintendent of Police of the Supervisory Squad.

IDENTIFICATION OF ATROCITY PRONE AREAS

180 villages have been identified as 'atrocity Prone' and 189 as dormant atrocity prone villages. In these villages, every year survey is being conducted to check availability of basic amenities like.

- a) Link Road
- b) Street lights
- c) Pathway to burial grounds / Burial grounds
- d) Drinking Water

TRAINING AND SENSITIZATION OF POLICE

The provisions of the Act have been incorporated in the curriculum of the Police Training College to familiarize the Police personnel during their training period. Periodical training classes are also conducted in the Police training College throughout the year.

2. During the year, the workshops in Madurai, Tirunelveli, Trichy and Salem were conducted on 25.09.2004, 26.09.2004, 09.10.2004 and 10.10.2004 respectively. The benefits of the welfare schemes

were highlighted in addition to the safeguards under the Acts as well as the provisions of monetary relief to victims of offences of atrocities.

3. Adequate number of Tamil version of the Act has also been printed and distributed to all Public Prosecutors, members of Vigilance and Monitoring Committee, NGOs and PCR Wing.