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BIHAR POLICE COMMISSION,
PATNA SECRETARIAT;
The 23rd May, 1961.

MY DEAR CHIEF MINISTER,

As the Chairman of the Bihar Police Commission, it is my privilege to submit to you the result of our labours contained in this our Report. The Commission was appointed by Government in their Resolution of the 14th of October, 1958. We have since been engaged, among other things, in studying the system of police administration in Bihar and in some other States and have now formulated our proposals for its improvement. For various reasons, the enquiry has taken a longer time than was originally anticipated. This was not only due to the very wide terms of reference but also to the fact that the last Commission sat nearly 60 years ago and Bihar was the first to take the lead in setting up such a Commission. An effort has been made in this Report to indicate in broad outlines the changes that would be required to bring about the desired result. One unique fact with reference to our Report is that the Commission have, in effect, arrived at unanimous conclusions and this, I may be permitted to say, is a matter of no small consequence. My sincere thanks are due to each of my colleagues who have displayed great patience and considerable insight in the examination of the problems posed before us. I am fully conscious of the strain from which my colleagues must have suffered as they gave to the Commission ungrudgingly their valuable time in spite of many pressing professional and official engagements. This was the obvious consequence flowing from the fact that we all had but one aim—namely, so to constitute the police force as to be of the best service to our countrymen. On behalf of the Commission, I desire to express our earnest wish that our Report may be forthwith examined and such of the recommendations which find favour with the Government, may be directed to be implemented without delay. Delay very often defeats the purpose and the earlier a recommendation is implemented, the more incentive it provides for working it to a satisfactory degree.

2. Before I conclude, I would like to place on record my deep gratitude and that of the other Members of the Commission to our colleague, the Member-Secretary, Shri M. K. Sinha, I. P., at present Inspector-General of Police on Special Duty for his unstinted devotion, untiring energy and for providing us with a very careful analysis of all the relevant data which have helped us in the composition of the Report. His wide experience, rare ability and intimate knowledge of police work were of immense help throughout our deliberations and he displayed a balanced approach to every problem which was of extreme value. I must also mention the most valuable work done by the Deputy Secretary, Shri K. N. Prasad, I. P. S., whose vast study of the various problems and historical records has been of the greatest assistance not only in understanding police problems but also in formulating our proposals. He has also shown great ability and considerable industry in his work. Shri A. N. Mazumdar, the Under-Secretary, worked extremely hard throughout the period he was associated with the office of the Commission and his knowledge of all matters connected with finance and budgeting has been of real help in framing our proposals which have had financial implications.

3. I cannot close this letter without acknowledging the indefatigable work put in by the office staff who have ungrudgingly worked for long hours, much beyond the scheduled time for office. In this connexion a special mention has to be made of Shri P. Rawlins, Personal Assistant to the Member-Secretary, and Shri B. K. Gour, the Head Assistant of the office. Shri Rawlins has a high sense of devotion to duty and rare and unique qualities of loyalty combined with capacity for organisation. He was particularly helpful during our tours. Shri B. K. Gour's output of work shows that he has marked skill in handling office problems and he has shown intimate knowledge of Government rules and procedure. Our acknowledgments would not be complete without making a particular mention of the stenographers who have had to bear the brunt of the work connected with the preparation of the Report.

Shri Binodanand Jha,
Chief Minister of Bihar,
Patna.

Yours sincerely,
B. P. JAMUAR,
Chairman.

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