Statistics of Police Officers with Unmanageable Debts (First Half of 2017 – Second Half of 2020)

(i) Reasons of indebtedness for police officers with unmanageable debts:-

| Reasons of | 1 st half | 2 nd half |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| indebtedness | 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2019 | 2020 | 2020 |
| Gambling | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | (8.1%) | (5.4%) | (2.8%) | (0%) | (4%) | (4.2%) | (4%) | (4.6%) |
| Overspending | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | (10.8%) | (10.8%) | (8.3%) | (6.9%) | (7.5%) | (8.3%) | (0%) | (0%) |
| Investment failure | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) |
| Business failure | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) |
| Important life events | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| | (10.8%) | (13.5%) | (16.7%) | (17.2%) | (18.5%) | (16.5%) | (22%) | (22.7%) |
| Problems of family | 26 | 26 | 26 | 22 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 16 |
| members and | (70.3%) | (70.3%) | (72.2%) | (75.9%) | (70%) | (71%) | (74%) | (72.7%) |
| relatives | (70.3%) | (70.3%) | (12.2%) | (73.9%) | (70%) | (71%) | (74%) | (72.7%) |
| Others | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) | (0%) |
| Total no. of police | | | | | | | | |
| officers with | | | | | | | | |
| unmanageable debts | 37 | 37 | 36 | 29 | 27 | 24 | 23 | 22 |
| as at end of period | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

(ii) No. of police officers declassified / newly identified as having unmanageable debts : -

| | 1 st half | 2 nd half |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2019 | 2019 | 2020 |
| No. of officers | | | | | | | | |
| declassified as having | 4 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 |
| unmanageable debts | | | | | | | | |
| No. of officers newly | | | | | | | | |
| classified as having | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| unmanageable debts | | | | | | | | |

(iii) Starting time since which the 22 officers have had unmanageable debts as at 31 December 2020: -

| Period of Debts | No. of Officers |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Since 2 nd half 2005 | 1 |
| Since 1st half 2006 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2006 | 1 |
| Since 1st half 2007 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2007 | 0 |
| Since 1st half 2008 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2008 | 0 |
| Since 1st half 2009 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2009 | 0 |
| Since 1st half 2010 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2010 | 1 |
| Since 1 st half 2011 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2011 | 0 |
| Since 1 st half 2012 | 1 |
| Since 2 nd half 2012 | 1 |
| Since 1 st half 2013 | 2 |
| Since 2 nd half 2013 | 0 |
| Since 1 st half 2014 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2014 | 1 |
| Since 1 st half 2015 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2015 | 0 |
| Since 1 st half 2016 | 2 |
| Since 2 nd half 2016 | 2 |
| Since 1 st half 2017 | 1 |
| Since 2 nd half 2017 | 2 |
| Since 1 st half 2018 | 0 |
| Since 2 nd half 2018 | 2 |
| Since 1 st half 2019 | 1 |
| Since 2 nd half 2019 | 3 |
| Since 1st half 2020 | 1 |
| Since 2 nd half 2020 | 0 |
| Total | 22 |

(iv) Total no. of notice of tax recovery issued to police officers:-

| | 1 st half | 2 nd half |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2019 | 2020 | 2020 |
| No. of notice of tax recovery issued | 42 | 2 | 27 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 2* | 7 |
| Total amount | \$389,499 | \$17,193 | \$217,287 | \$26,551 | \$213,239.52 | \$18,985 | \$38,516* | \$133,270 |

(v) No. of police officers with unmanageable debts who were at the same time receiving notice of tax recovery and repaying salary advances under Civil Service Regulation 618 or loans from the Police Welfare Fund: -

| | 1 st half | 2 nd half |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2019 | 2020 | 2020 |
| No. of notice of tax | | | | | | | | |
| recovery issued to police | 42 | 2 | 27 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 2* | 7 |
| officers | | | | | | | | |
| No. of police officers with | | | | | | | | |
| unmanageable debts who | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| had received notice of tax | U | U | 2 | U | 1 | U | U | U |
| recovery | | | | | | | | |
| No. of police officers with | | | | | | | | |
| unmanageable debts who | | | | | | | | |
| had received notice of tax | | | | | | | | |
| recovery and were | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| repaying salary advances | | | | | | | | |
| under Civil Service | | | | | | | | |
| Regulation 618 | | | | | | | | |
| No. of police officers with | | | | | | | | |
| unmanageable debts who | | | | | | | | |
| had received notice of tax | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| recovery and were | U | U | U | U | U | U | U | " |
| repaying loans from the | | | | | | | | |
| Police Welfare Fund | | | | | | | | |

^{*}Updated figures

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