CRIME IN INDIA—1953

INTRODUCTION

At the annual conference of the Deputy Inspectors-General of C.I.D., held in 1953, it was decided that the Government of India shoud standardise the crime statistics in the country, as it was found that different States maintained their statistics in different ways and some according to the calendar and others according to the financial year. The conference appointed a Sub-Committee to go into this matter and recommend the various heads under which the statistics were to be maintained. This Sub-Committee faced a lot of difficulty in standardising the headings but it accomplished a difficult task well and the conference of the D.Is.G. of C.I.D., held in 1954, accepted the recommendations of the Sub-Committee with minor changes.

The proposals, as finalised, were recommended to the Government of India, who circulated them to the State Governments for acceptance. Thus, for the first time in India, a uniform system of maintaining crime statistics throughout the country was introduced.

We present the first annual report of crime in India. This has been compiled from the annual Police Administration Reports of the States. The first issue was inevitably delayed but we hope that, in future, it will be possible to present this report by the third quarter of the year.

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