

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
REVENUE & DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

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No. 16266 /R&DM, Bhubaneswar, Dated the 05-05-2018

From

Dr. C.S. Kumar, IAS  
Principal Secretary to Government

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The Collector, Jharsuguda.

Sub:- **Clarification regarding entitlement of Hirakud land outstees and other persons in possession on Government land.**

Sir,

In inviting a reference to your letter No.9758, dated 14.11.2017, it is to clarify as follows:-

1. Whether the sons and successors of Hirakud land outstees who are in cultivating possession from 1959 to 1990 through temporary lease and continuing from 1990 to till date are entitled for settlement of their land in rayati status.

*If the lands were given to the sons and successors of land oustees in lieu of the acquired lands and they are in possession of the same, such land should be settled in their favour. In this connection, detailed Instructions have been issued vide this Department letter no-22925 Dt 17.05.1990 and letter No -23861 dated 29.05.1990.*

*By following the instructions issued way back in the year 1990, the land should have been settled in favour of awardees by now. If any issue is still persisting, it is due to the negligence of the concerned officials. Such officials may be identified and proceeded against. Steps may be taken to complete the task by following instructions in above mentioned letters of this Department. This matter has to be resolved through field enquiry and concerned official conducting enquiry shall not exclusively depend on relevant documents needed.*

2. Whether the non-DC patta holders and non-awardees coming from Hirakud submerged reservoir area continuing cultivation on Government land from 1959 till date i.e. more than 30 years will be entitled to settlement of Government land in rayati status.

*No. The Non -DC patta holders and non awardees cannot be entertained for settlement of Govt.land in rayati status.*

3. Whether the other persons who have not come from Hirakud reservoir area but are continuing possession and cultivating the land for more than 30 years will be entitled for settlement of Government land in rayati status u/s 8-A of the Orissa Government Land Encroachment Act.

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4. Whether those persons who have been given DC pattas or settled with Government land through OGLS rules/ approved lease principles prior to 1980 will be given rayati pattas on jungle kissam of land.

*No, Rayati status cannot be given on jungle Kisam of land.*

In view of the fact that the matter is being monitored by Hon'ble NHRC. You are requested to take expeditious steps to settle the long pending issue of Hirakud Land oustees in a time bound manner and report compliance to the undersigned latest by **30.06.2018**. The Collector shall hold fortnightly review of the progress of the matter and intimate this Department. Apart from above three numbers of tables for submission of detailed beneficiary –wise information on acquisition of land and issue of RORs have been enclosed.

Any non-compliance of the instructions by any officer shall be viewed seriously and it will be construed as non-compliance to the orders of Hon'ble NHRC.

Yours faithfully,

  
Principal Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to RDC(ND), Sambalpur for information and necessary action.

  
Principal Secretary to Government

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Principal Secretary to Government