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Government of Odisha  
Revenue & Disaster Management Department

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Date: 19.06.15

From :

Shri Julius Lakra, IAS  
Additional Secretary to Govt.

To

All Collectors

**Sub: Enumeration of homestead less families in the rural areas of the State  
– regarding.**

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to invite a reference to the subject noted above and to say that recently, vide notifications issued on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015, Government has revised and raised the annual income ceiling from Rs.24,000/- to Rs.40,000/- for the purpose of the definition of homestead less persons under the OGLS Act, 1962/ Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983 and Odisha Prevention of Land Encroachment Act, 1972.

With the above increase of the annual income ceiling, more families would be eligible for allotment of land for homestead land in rural areas. As the state Government attaches high priority to shelter security, it is imperative to go for further survey on campaign mode to identify the total number of homestead less families in the rural areas who would be eligible for allotment of homestead land under the relevant provisions of OGLS Act & Rules and OPLE Act & Rules.

The survey may be taken up on campaign mode through the Tahasildars and completed by 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2015. The Tahasildars & Sub-Collectors shall be responsible to do verification of the eligibility in 100% cases. The ADM shall test check the survey work. The Collector may do some test check in a few cases. Along with survey and enumeration of eligible homestead less families, a survey may also be undertaken to identify leasable / non-objectionable Government land for settlement for homestead purpose. The details of survey and enumeration of homestead less families may be submitted in the prescribed format enclosed.

Subject to availability of leasable/ non-objectionable Govt. land, settlement of land for homestead purpose up to maximum 10 decimals in rural areas in favour of the eligible homestead less families may be done under the relevant provisions of OGLS Rules & OPLE Act & Rules adopting due procedure & the exercise may be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2015.

Implementation of the programme may be reviewed at each stage from time to time and review reports be furnished to the Board of Revenue, Odisha as well as to this Department.

This may be accorded top priority considering its importance and urgency.

Yours faithfully,

Memo No 17960

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to all RDCs / Secretary, Board of Revenue, Odisha, Cuttack for information and necessary action.

Memo No 17961

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to the Additional Secretary to the Chief Minister for information and necessary action with reference to his letter no. 864/CM dated 9.6.2015.

Memo No 17962

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to the Private Secretary to Minister, Revenue & Disaster Management for kind information of Hon'ble Minister.

Memo No 17963

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to the OSD to Chief Secretary/ Private Secretary to the Development Commissioner – cum – ACS/ Private Secretary to ACS Finance for kind information & necessary for action.

Memo No 17964

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to All Sub- Collectors/ All Tahasildars for information & necessary for action.

Memo No 17965

Date: 19.06.15

Additional Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to IMU Cell/ LR&GE Branch/Guard file of LR Branch for information & necessary for action.

