

Government of Orissa  
Revenue & Disaster Management Department

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From :

Shri R.K. Sharma, IAS  
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government.

To

All Collectors

**Sub : Sale of agricultural land through plotted housing schemes for non-agricultural purpose without conversion under Section 8 A of OLR Act.**

Sir/Madam,

It has come to the notice of the Government that agricultural lands, particularly in sub-urban areas of the State are being sold by the builders through plotted housing scheme for homestead purpose without converting such lands u/s 8A of OLR Act.

As you are aware, s.8(1) of the Orissa Land Reforms Act, 1960 provides that a rayat shall be liable to eviction if he has used the land comprised in his holding in a manner which renders it unfit for the purpose of agriculture, has failed to cultivate the land personally or has used the land for any purpose other than agriculture. In such cases, notice u/s 8(2) has to be issued to the rayat before carrying out eviction.

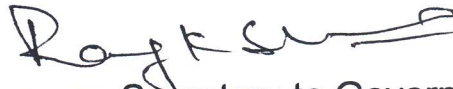
Government have directed that wherever such instances of builders selling agriculture lands to customers in plotted housing schemes are noticed, steps should be taken to initiate proceedings for eviction u/s 8 of the OLR Act. In any other cases of violation of s.8 of the OLR Act also similar action should be taken for resumption of land. This may be brought to the notice of the Tahasildars for compliance and the action taken may be reviewed in the monthly Revenue meeting at the district/sub-division level.

Yours faithfully,

  
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government

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Secretary, Board of Revenue, Orissa, Cuttack/All Revenue  
Divisional Commissioners for information and necessary action.



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Hon'ble Minister.



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