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**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT**

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From

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Additional Secretary to Government

To

Collector, Angul/ Bargarh/ Bhadrak/ Balangir/ Cuttack/ Gajapati/ Ganjam/
Jharsuguda/ Kalahandi/ Kandhamal/ Khurda/ Koraput/ Malkangiri/
Nabarangpur/ Nuapada/ Puri/ Rayagada/ Sambalpur/ Sundargarh

Sub:- Settlement of Khasmahal, Nazul, Gramakantha Paramboke and Abadi category of land in the State- Submission of application

Madam/ Sir,

I am directed to say that as provided under Para (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V of the OGLS Rules, 1983, a person in occupation of Khasmahal, Nazul, Gramakantha Paramboke or Abadi category of land has to submit a valid application for settlement of such land for homestead purpose within a period of six months from the date of publication of the OGLS (Amendment) Rules, 2010 or within such further period as may be appointed by a notification published in the official Gazette from time to time.

2. Similarly, as provided under Para (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V-A of the OGLS Rules, 1983, a person in occupation of such category of land has to submit a valid application for settlement of such land for purposes other than homestead and agriculture within a period of six months from the date of publication of the OGLS (Amendment) Rules, 2014 or within such further period as may be appointed by a notification published in the official Gazette from time to time.

3. Considering that a number of people could not file application within the six months period prescribed in the Rules, the State Government have been extending the period of limitation from time to time by publication of notification in the official Gazette.

4. Recently, Government vide this Department notification No. 24953/R&DM dated 22/08/2019 (published in the Extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette bearing No. 1644 dated 26/08/2019) have extended the date for submitting application for settlement of such land for homestead purpose under Schedule V by a further period of 11 months and 15 days w.e.f. 17/04/2019 (Copy enclosed). Similarly, the date for submitting application for settlement of such land for purposes

other than homestead and agriculture under Schedule V-A has also been extended by a further period of 11 months and 21 days w.e.f. 11/04/2019 vide this Department notification No. 24960/R&DM dated 22/08/2019 (published in the Extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette bearing No. 1645 dated 26/08/2019). (Copy enclosed)

5. Thus, the date for submitting application for settlement of such land for homestead purpose and also for purposes other than homestead and agriculture has been extended up to 31st March, 2020.

6. It is observed that even after more than nine years of coming into force of the OGLS (Amendment) Rules, 2010 w.e.f 17/02/2010 or after five years of coming into force of the OGLS (Amendment) Rules, 2014 w.e.f 11/11/2014, many number of persons in occupation of such land are yet to submit application for settlement of land necessitating extension of period of limitation. However, such extension of period of limitation from time to time cannot continue indefinitely.

7. Under the statutory provisions of section 3 (4) (b) of the OGLS Act, 1962, if any person in occupation of such land fails to apply for settlement within a period as may be prescribed from the date of publication of the OGLS (Amendment) Act, 2009 in the official Gazette, he shall be summarily evicted in the manner prescribed and such land shall be resumed by the Government.

8. So, it is imperative that field level revenue officials have to be proactive in generating awareness among the persons in occupation of such land to file application and also in collecting applications from such persons. The persons have also to be explained about the provisions of the Act regarding summary eviction and subsequent resumption of such land by Government if they fail to apply within the stipulated period.

9. In the above context, instructions of Government had been communicated to you vide this Department G.O No. 45935/R&DM dated 21/12/2018 outlining the steps to be taken for collection of application from the persons in occupation of such land. You had also been requested therein to complete the exercise by 31st January, 2019 and to furnish compliance report to this Department by 5th February, 2019. However, it is not known at this end as to what action has been taken by you in the matter.

10. Hence, you are once again requested to take the following steps for collection of application from the persons in occupation of such land and dispose the same quickly:-

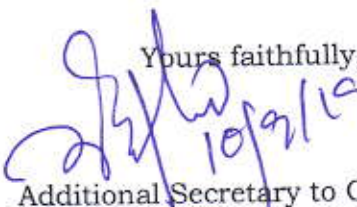
- (i) A detailed survey of such plots of land may be undertaken to ascertain as to whether any application has not been received in respect of any of the plots.
- (ii) The concerned Tahasildars may be instructed to direct their Additional Tahasildars and Revenue Inspectors to cause field visit and intimate the persons in occupation regarding the extended date for submitting applications. The persons may also be explained about the provisions of the OGLS Act, 1962 regarding summary eviction and subsequent resumption of such land by Government if they fail to apply within the stipulated period.
- (iii) The Addl. Tahasildars and R.Is should be asked to collect duly filled in applications on the spot, if possible. Public representatives like Sarapanch, PS Member may also be sensitized in this regard. You may also consider involving the Panchayat Extension Officers in this exercise.
- (iv) Tahasildars and Additional Tahasildars may be asked to conduct camp courts regularly for timely disposal of the applications.
- (v) The above exercise should be completed by the end of January, 2020.

11. All expenses in this regard may be borne out of the funds provided under the Programme Expenditure "Conferment of Land Rights".

12. You are requested to complete the exercise by the stipulated dateline and furnish compliance report to this Department by 10th February, 2020 positively for kind information of Government.

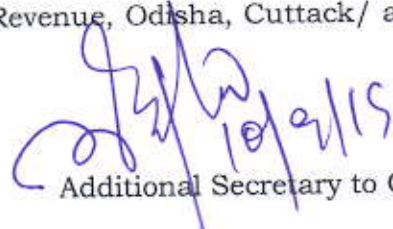
All concerned may be intimated accordingly.

Yours faithfully,


Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

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REVENUE & DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 22nd August, 2019

S.R.O. No.298/2019— Whereas, under Para. (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, for settlement of land, applications were required to be submitted within a period of six months from the date of publication of the Odisha Government Land Settlement (Amendment) Rules, 2010;

And, whereas, the period of limitation was last extended for a period of one year and two months with effect from the 17th February, 2018 under the notification of the Government of Odisha in the Revenue & Disaster Management Department No. 30939-RDM-LRGEA-STATUT-0005/2018, dated the 21st August, 2018 published in the Extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* No. 1545, dated the 23rd August, 2018;

And, whereas, the period of limitation last extended has expired on the 16th April, 2019;

And, whereas, it has come to notice that a number of applicants are still awaiting to apply for settlement of the land of the categories mentioned in sub- clauses (a) and (b) of clause 1 of Schedule V of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983;

And, whereas, unless the time limit is extended, a number of applicants shall be debarred from getting such land settled with heritable and transferable rights;

And, whereas, the State Government are satisfied that there exists sufficient reasons for extending the said period of limitation;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Para. (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, the State Government do hereby extend the said period by a further period of eleven months and 15 days with effect from the 17th April, 2019.

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By Order of the Governor

NIKUNJA B. DHAL

Principal Secretary to Government

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NOTIFICATION

The 22nd August, 2019

S.R.O. No.299/2019—Whereas, under Para. (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V-A of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, for settlement of land, applications were required to be submitted within a period of six months from the date of publication of the Odisha Government Land Settlement (Amendment) Rules, 2014;

And, whereas, the period of limitation was last extended for eleven months with effect from the 11th May, 2018 under the notification of the Government of Odisha in the Revenue & Disaster Management Department No. 30932-RDM-LRGEA-STATUT-0005/2018, dated the 21st August, 2018 published in the Extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* No. 1544, dated the 23rd August, 2018;

And, whereas, the period of limitation last extended has expired on the 10th April, 2019;

And, whereas, it has come to notice that a number of applicants are still awaiting to apply for settlement of the land of the categories mentioned in sub-clauses (a) and (b) of clause 1 of Schedule V-A of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983;

And, whereas, unless the time limit is extended, a number of applicants shall be debarred from getting such land settled with heritable and transferable rights;

And, whereas, the State Government are satisfied that there exists sufficient reasons for extending the said period of limitation;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by para (i) of the proviso to clause 1 of Schedule V-A of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, the State Government do hereby extend the said period by a further period of eleven months and twenty one days with effect from the 11th April, 2019.

[No. 24960-RDM-LRGEA-STATUT-0005/2018/R&DM.]

By Order of the Governor

NIKUNJA B. DHAL

Principal Secretary to Government