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

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From

Dr. Taradatt

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

The Secretary, Board of Revenue, Odisha, Cuttack All Revenue Divisional Commissioners All Collectors

Sub: Clarification on issuance of Legal Heir Certificates.

Madam/Sir.

In inviting reference to the subject cited above I am to say that after enactment of Odisha Right to Public Services Act, 2012 and subsequent publication of notifications no. 30 dtd. 01.01.2013 and no. 8824 dtd. 30.03.2013 of Government in GA (AR) Department, on the list of services to be delivered under the said Act, tahasildars are not issuing legal heir certificates to the applicants of other tahasils in view of the restrictions imposed therein.

During delivery of the services, difficulties have been experienced by public when they are advised by the tahasildars to get the above certificates from their native tahasils.

Legal Heir Certificates are issued under the provisions of Rule-3 (iii) of Odisha Miscellaneous Certificates Rules, 1984. There is no provision in the said rules that legal heir certificates shall only be issued by native tahasildars. Hence, issuance of such certificates by other tahasildars having jurisdiction is not barred. However, the tahasildar exercising jurisdiction may call for a report from the native tahasil, if he so likes.

Yours faithfully

Additional Chief Secy. to Govt.

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Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government