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NOTIFICATION

In terms of the Government of Sikkim (Allocation of Business) Rules, 2017 "the settlement of all Government land, excluding those under Forest and Urban Development Department" is under the purview of Land Revenue & Disaster Management Department (LRDM), Government of Sikkim along with all matters pertaining to land acquisition. The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (30 of 2013) is implemented by LRDM. The Land Records Office, under LRDM Department was established w.e.f. 01/12/1983 subsequent to the winding up of the Survey and Settlement Department w.e.f. 30/11/1983(AN) and maintains the Integrated Land Records Management System under the Government of India Digital Land Records Modernisation Programme. The database of all land transaction and land records from all the districts is maintained in the District Offices as well as Land Records Section of the Department.

The Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department is the custodian of all Government land. However it is a matter of concern for the Government that a number of issues relating to land are cropping up due to various reasons. Therefore, the following measures are to be taken to streamline the issues pertaining to Government Land:

- 1. Missing records of land belonging to Government Departments must be brought to the urgent notice of the concerned District Collectors.
- 2. Delay in mutation of land acquired by Government Departments should be addressed by District Collectors and concerned Departments.
- 3. Allotment of Government land by Government Departments without referring the matter to LRDM is not permissible.
- 4. The market rate for all revenue land is to be provided to Government Departments by Land Revenue Department. All purchase and acquisition of land will be recorded in the name of the Government of Sikkim and the remarks portion will bear the name of the concerned Department. It is the responsibility of concerned Departments to ensure that

- approval of the competent authority, of concerned department is obtained before proceeding with land purchase on negotiation basis, with the approved market rate and the notified block rate as a reference point for forming the basis for negotiation.
- 5. The responsibility for maintenance and utilisation of the land rests with the concerned Departments and it is only the land records which are with the concerned District Collectors and LRDM.
- 6. It is the responsibility of the concerned Department to obtain the site stability report, geo technical feasibility report from Mines Minerals and Geology Department, Government of Sikkim for any acquisition or purchase of land. Land Revenue & Disaster Management bears no responsibility in this regard.

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