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Sub: "Compact block" in Karnataka Vacant  
Lands in Urban Areas (Prohibition  
of Alienation) Act, 1975 - clarifi-  
cation.

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The term "Compact block" as defined in Section 3(b) of  
the Karnataka Vacant Lands in Urban Areas (Prohibition of  
Alienation) Ordinance, 1975 reads -

"Compact Block" means any block of vacant land in an  
urban area exceeding one thousand square metres in extent  
whether owned by one person or jointly by more than one  
person or owned in contiguous part separately by one or more  
members of a family unit and whether or not divided by a  
**private** road, street, land, footway, passage or drain  
natural or artificial.

The above noted definition of "compact block" has  
undergone a substantial change in the Karnataka Vacant Land  
in Urban Areas (Prohibition of Alienation) Act, 1975 which  
has replaced the Ordinance on 8.9.1975. The definition of  
"compact block" as obtaining in Section 3(b) of the said  
Act reads -

"compact block" means any plot or plots of vacant land  
either in the same place or in different places in an urban  
area (whether or not divided by a private road, street, land,  
footway, passage or drain; natural or artificial) owned by -

- i) one person, or
- ii) jointly by more than one person; or
- iii) jointly or separately by one or more members  
of a family unit,

the aggregate extent of which exceeds one thousand square  
metres;

Explanation.- For purposes of this clause the aggregate  
extent of land owned by a person shall include the lands  
owned by such person under the aforesaid three categories.

The changed definition of "compact block", which has  
not have to be contiguous any more, has a definite relation  
to an urban area. However, plot or plots of vacant land held  
by a person in different urban areas are not to be added  
together to calculate the aggregate extent for the purpose of  
the Act. All the Registering Officers may note to above  
clarification for their guidance.

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