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CIRCULAR

Sub:- Land Reforms - Implementation of Land Reforms  
in Taluks where there are Special Tahsildars  
- Responsibilities of Tahsildars incharge  
of Taluks and Assistant Commissioners of  
Revenue Sub-Divisions - Regarding -

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Government need hardly say that meticulous supervision on the implementation of land reforms a subject among several subjects of Revenue Administration and control over officers making available land records and revenue records will go a long way to pronounce just and considered decisions by the Tribunals following the principles of natural justice.

All the several subjects of the Revenue Administration in the Taluk are being attended to through the Tahsildar who is also an Executive Magistrate in his jurisdiction. The Tahsildar incharge of the Taluk and the Assistant Commissioner in-charge of the Revenue Sub-Division shall be responsible for the overall implementation of the land reforms promptly.

The Tahsildar shall maintain a list of tenancies (lease of lands - both oral and written) created or continued after 1-3-1974 in the Proforma-A prescribed and submit the same to the Deputy Commissioner before 5th of Every month. The Tahsildars shall obtain the information pertaining to the leases created or continued after 1-3-1974 through the Revenue Inspectors of the Hoblies with the help of the Village Accountants.

PROFORMA-A

Sl. No.	Name of the person cultivating the land.	Village	Sy. No.	Extent	Name of the land-holders.	Date of creation of lease. Indicate whether it is oral or written.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

The Deputy Commissioner shall consolidate the reports received from the Tahsildars and submit a quarterly report in

the Proforma-B prescribed to Government within 10th of the month succeeding each quarter.

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PROFORMA-B

Sl. No.	Name of the taluk.	Extent of land under lease.	No. of persons cultivating the land involved.	No. of land-holders involved.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6

All lands held by or in possession of tenants will vest in Government on the commencement of Amendment Act viz. 1-3-1974. All lands which were in possession of tenants are being decided by the Tribunals under Sec.45 and 48-A of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act 1961; but action should be taken to get the lands vested in Government wherever persons in possession have not made applications to the Tribunals or wherever lands held by tenants have been unlawfully surrendered to their landholders. The Tahsildar through the Revenue Inspector shall collect all information and every effort should be made to get the lands vested in Government as per Sec.44 of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961. The progress of work in this regard shall be communicated to Government before 5th of every month in the Proforma-C prescribed.

PROFORMA-C

Sl. No.	Name of the person (cultivator) who held the land before 1-3-1974.	Village.	Sy. No.	Extent.	Details of the Documentary Evidence, if any. (like RPC 16 etc.)	Name of the land holder.	Whether tenancy surrendered lawfully/unlawfully.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

It has come to the notice of Government that a large number of rent suits have been transferred from the Civil

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/ex-landlords have filed applications before the

Courts to the Taluk Offices and also a large number of Tahsildar for recovery of rent. The Special Tahsildar, Land Reforms or the Tahsildar as the case may be shall dispose of all the cases pertaining to the rent suits transferred by the Civil Courts and also rent recovery petitions made by the ex-landlords forthwith. The special Tahsildar/Tahsildar should invariably submit the progress of work done in this regard and shall be indicated in the monthly diary and submit it to the Assistant Commissioner of the revenue Sub-Division, (the Special Tahsildar marking a copy to the Tahsildar in-charge of the Taluk for information.) The number of rent suits and the rent recovery petitions pending with the Special Tahsildars/Tahsildars and the progress of disposal so far shall be intimated to the Deputy Commissioner before 5th of every month and the Deputy Commissioner shall submit a consolidated report taluk-wise to the Government within 10th of every month. The Divisional Commissioners at the time of their tours and inspections in the Districts shall check the progress made in this behalf, and action should be taken for further speedy disposal.

The Record of Rights Sheristedar or Deputy Tahsildar (Record of Rights) is the custodian of most of the revenue records and land records which have been lodged in the Taluk Office and they are essentially required for verification of applications in Form-7 and declarations filed by landlords. The revenue Inspector should conduct an enquiry in respect of applications in Form-7 and declarations and should give a detailed report on all the several columns in Form-7 and 11 respectively. The extract of the RTC in Form-16 should be got certified by the revenue Inspector invariably. The detailed verification report along with the certificate of extracts should be submitted to RR Sheristedar or Deputy Tahsildar (Record of Rights). The RR Sheristedar thereon with his remarks will put up the same to the Special Tahsildar/Tahsildar who shall give a detailed report on each of the applications and declarations and place the same before the Tribunal. Unless, this is done the enquiry under Rule 19 of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act will be incomplete and orders made by the Tribunal will suffer with infirmity.

The Village Accountants, the Revenue Inspectors and RR Sheristedar or Deputy Tahsildar (Record of Rights) shall produce all revenue records and land records when asked for by the Land Tribunal and by the Officers of Land Reforms Section.

The receipt of the Circular may be acknowledged.

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- All the Deputy Commissioners/Special Deputy Commissioners.
- All the Assistant Commissioners/Spl. Assistant Commissioners/ Addl. Spl. Assistant Commissioners.
- All the Tahsildars/Spl. Tahsildars/Addl. Spl. Tahsildars.
- The Adviser for Land Reforms (3 copies).
- Weekly Gazette.
- Spare.