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Sub: Plantation crops are not exempted from
the Tenancy provisions of the Karnataka
Land Reforms Act, 1961.

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Under Section 2(A)(25) of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961, "Plantation crops" have been defined to mean "Cardamom, Coffee, Pepper, Rubber and Tea". Section 104 of the said Act gives exemption to Plantations crops from the provisions of Section 63 other than sub-section (9) thereof, Sections 64, 79-A, 79-B and 80. According to the explanation in Section 104 'Plantation' means land used by a person principally for the cultivation of Plantation crop.

2. All Revenue Officers will note that the exemption granted to Plantations is limited to the provisions regarding ceiling, future acquisitions of lands and the bar on Companies, etc. holding land. All the other provisions of the Land Reforms Act, including those relating to tenancy and grant of occupancy rights to tenants apply to Plantations also.

3. The Revenue Officers will also note that 'Plantation' means land used for cultivation of Plantation crops. Land actually used for cultivation of Cardamom, Coffee, Pepper, Rubber and Tea should be treated as Plantation, irrespective of the classification of such land at the time of Survey and Settlement. Land not actually cultivated with the Plantation crops will not qualify for exemption even though shown as "Coffee Kiarab" etc. in Land records. Where only part of the holding is used for cultivation of Plantation crops, only such portion, and the interspersed area determined by the Divisional Commissioner, will qualify for exemption.

4. In view of the system of registration of Coffee, Tea, Cardamom and Rubber Estates, the extent cultivated with the appropriate plantation crop is prima facie the extent mentioned in the Registration Certificate. Where it is found that the actual extent cultivated with a Plantation crop is different from that mentioned in the Registration Certificate, the entry in the Certificate itself should be amended and the amended extent adopted for all purposes.

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