

## GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

NO. RD 133 LRM 75

Karnataka Government Secretariat,  
Vidhana Soudha,  
Bangalore, Dated: 1st April 1975.C I R C U L A R

Sub: Tribunal meetings - sitting of -

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In the Circular No. RD 27 LRM 75 dated the 30th January, 1975 it has been stated that the date, time and place of hearing of the Land Tribunal should be notified to the parties concerned and signatures of parties taken to the proceedings recorded.

A question has been raised as to what action should be taken in cases of the following types -

(i) If the Land Tribunal cannot meet for any reason on the date fixed, is it necessary to issue fresh notices to the applicants under Section 48-A(1) of the Land Reforms Act read with rule 19 and under Section 66 of the Act?

(ii) If the Chairman for any reason cannot attend the Land Tribunal meeting, can any member present, preside over the meeting?

According to Rule 16 of Land Reforms Rules the quorum for every meeting shall be three members, including the Chairman. It follows that there will be no quorum if the Chairman is not present. Under the Rule at least three members should be present and the Chairman should be one of them. This would apply to adjourned meetings also.

It is an elementary principle to be followed in respect of any hearing by a tribunal that change of date, if any, should be communicated to all parties concerned, through fresh notices, unless such adjournment was announced in open court in the presence of parties, and their signatures taken on the order sheet as evidence of their presence at the time of adjournment.

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