

Government of Karnataka

No.RD 518 LRM 78

Karnataka Government Secretariat,
Vidhana Soudha,
Bangalore, dated: 20-12-1978

CIRCULAR

Sub:- Land reforms - Expediting the payment
of amount due to landlords - previous
instructions reiterated -

Instructions have been issued from time to time from 1975 to make payment of amount due in cash to the landlords especially to the widows, minors, unmarried women and physically and mentally disabled persons. Government in Circular No.RD 159 LRM 77 dated 6th September, 1977 have issued specific instructions that the work relating to the disbursement of amount due to the landlords should be expedited. In Government letter No.RD 119 LRM 78 dated 26th April 1978 the Deputy Commissioners and Divisional Commissioners were informed that the Government were keen that the amount payable in cash to the landlords was paid to them immediately, so that no hardship was caused to them. In Government letter No.RD 119 LRM 78 dated 20-6-1978 the Deputy Commissioners were asked to furnish estimates of their requirements for payment to the landlords in cash during 1979-80 with a view to making sufficient provision in the Budget. Again, in RD 212 LRM 78 dated 22nd July, 1978 while issuing instructions to speed up collection of premium from tenants, the Deputy Commissioners and Divisional Commissioners were informed that the Government were very particular that at least the first instalment of Rs.2,000/- payable to the landlords who do not belong to vulnerable sections or who are not small-holders should also be paid without delay after the lands are registered in the name of the tenants and after fixing the amount payable to them in cash as per law. In Government letter No.RD 518 LRM 78 dated 15-12-1978 the Deputy Commissioners were informed that there was slackness in the issue of Certificates of Registration to tenants and in disbursing the amount payable to landlords and they were requested to see that improved performance was shown in coming months by fixing targets to the fahsildars/Special fahsildars and to propose action against defaulters.


Despite the issue of all these instructions the Government notice that only a sum of Rs.5.96 crores has been disbursed to landlords of tenanted lands upto the end of October, 1978 and a sum of Rs.2.39 crores during the current year. Out of a sum of Rs.10.00 crores provided for in the Budget for 1978-79, a total sum of Rs.9.00 crores has already been distributed among the Divisional Commissioners. Government consider it as unfortunate that only a sum of Rs.2.39 crores has been disbursed as amount due to

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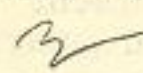
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landlords though six months have already elapsed since the first distribution of the allotment. Scrutinising the progress made in the disbursement of amount in one district in the State, where an extent of 1,59,151 acres of land has been registered in favour of 28,701 tenants upto the end of October, 1978, it is seen, that only 3,376 landlords have been paid a sum of Rs.82.00 lakhs. As against the total extent of 9.95 lakh acres of land registered in favour of 2.38 lakh tenants upto the end of October, 1978 in the State, it is seen that only 26,193 landlords have been paid the amount due in cash in respect of 98,243 acres. Government view this progress with much displeasure. The Government feel that if only the Deputy Commissioners and Divisional Commissioners had closely supervised the work of Tahsildars/Special Tahsildars under land reforms, there would have been better progress in the payment of amount due. At the present rate of progress, it is doubtful whether even the amount of Rs.9.00 crores already released will be fully spent before the end of the current financial year.

3. During their tours the Deputy Commissioners and Divisional Commissioners are requested to scrutinise the reasons for the inordinate delay in the issue of Occupancy Certificates to tenants and payment in cash to landlords and take necessary remedial action where there is not enough progress. Government desire that there should not be any further delay in this regard. In this connection, the Government want to impress upon the Field Officers the necessity for quick issue of Occupancy Certificates to tenants and speedy payment of amount due in cash to landlords without giving room for any complaints. The Divisional Commissioners may kindly ensure that the allotment of Rs.9.00 crores distributed among them is not only fully spent in the next two months but proposals for releasing the balance allotment of Rs.1.00 crore available with the Government in the Revenue Department for the current year are sent before the end of the next month.


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