GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

No. GE (GL)-S-11/2014- 32951 /R&DM dated the 10th November, 2014

Whereas the draft of certain rules further to amend the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983 were published as required by sub-section (1) of section 8-A of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Act, 1962 (Odisha Act 33 of 1962), in an extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette No. 948 dated the 10th June, 2014 under the notification of the Government of Odisha in the Revenue and Disaster Management Department No.GE(GL)-S-11/2014—6733 dated the 1st March, 2014 inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby till the expiry of a period of thirty days from the date of publication of the said notification in the Odisha Gazette;

And whereas, no objection or suggestion on the said draft has been received by the Government during the stipulated period;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8-A of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Act, 1962 (Odisha Act 33 of 1962), the State Government do hereby make the following rules further to amend the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, namely: —

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Odisha Government Land Settlement (Amendment) Rules, 2014.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules, 1983, (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), after rule 5-B, following rule shall be inserted, namely: —
- "5-BB. Settlement of Khasmahal, Nazul, Gramakantha Paramboke and Abadi land for the purposes other than homestead and agriculture. —

Notwithstanding anything contained in rules 3, 5, 5-A, 8, 11, 12 and 13, settlement of Khasmahal and Nazul land leased out, and Gramakantha Paramboke and Abadi land occupied, for a continuous period of three years prior to the 26th day of

February, 2009 and used for the purposes other than homestead and agriculture shall be made in the manner prescribed in Schedule V- A.".

3. In the said rules, after Schedule V, the following Schedule shall be inserted, namely: —

"Schedule V- A (See rule 5-BB)

Manner for settlement of Gramakantha Paramboke, Abadi, Khasmahal and Nazul Lands for the purposes other than homestead and agriculture.

- 1. Persons eligible for settlement: (a) A person who is in possession of Gramakantha Paramboke or Abadi land in accordance with any customary right or usage or has acquired possession of such land by way of transfer, through a registered deed of conveyance, from a person who was in lawful possession of such land in accordance with any customary right or usage; and
 - (b) a person who is in possession of Khasmahal or Nazul land on the basis of lease granted by the Government, whether renewed or expired, or a registered sub-lease including subsequent sub-lease granted by the lessee or the sub-lessee, as the case may be, or by way of transfer of such land, through a registered deed of conveyance, from a lessee, sub-lessee or subsequent sub-lessee,

shall be eligible for settlement of land in his favour:

Provided that --

- (i) the person, including his lawful predecessor-in-interest, was in possession of such land for a period of at least three years prior to the appointed date, i.e., the 26th February, 2009 and submits a valid application for such settlement within a period of six months from the date of publication of the Odisha Government Land Settlement (Amendment) Rules, 2014 or within such further period as may be appointed by a notification published in the official gazette, from time to time; and
- (ii) the land has been used for the purpose other than homestead or agriculture.