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Government of India
Ministry of Labour, Employment & Rehabilitation
(Deptt. of Rehabilitation)
Office of the Chief Settlement Commissioner,
Jaisalmer House, New Delhi.
Dated the 8th April, 1970.

From

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Ministry of Labour, Employment & Rehabilitation,
(Deptt. of Rehabilitation),
New Delhi.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Haryana,
Rehabilitation Department,
Chandigarh.

Subject:- Administration & management of the remaining acquired evacuee urban agricultural lands/properties and realization of rental demands etc.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the question regarding administration and management of the remaining acquired evacuee urban agricultural lands/properties and realization of rental demands vis-a-vis the expenditure which is being incurred by the Settlement Organisation of the Deptt. of Rehabilitation, has been engaging the attention of the Govt. of India for sometime past.

2. It has been observed that only a limited number of acquired urban evacuee agricultural lands/properties remain to be disposed of and the expenditure which is being incurred for the purpose is out of proportion to the volume of work and the receipts from their disposal.

3. Further, it has also been noticed that certain properties are lying undiscovered for want of survey and spot verification; the Govt. of India has no adequate agency for this work.

4. In addition to the above, arrears on account of rent of urban evacuee properties which run into a considerable amount have become long overdue for recovery and their realization is presenting great difficulty besides entailing substantial expenditure without any comparable results.

5. The Govt. of India has already entered into an agreement with the State Govt. for the realization of rent/lease money in respect of evacuee agricultural lands on

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commission basis but the results of that arrangement have not been encouraging.

6. With a view to effecting economy in the expenditure which is being incurred by the Govt. of India, it has been decided to wind up the Settlement Organisation of the Govt. of India in the State of Haryana in public interest and to make administrative and financial arrangements with the State of Haryana for the disposal of the residuary work in a more satisfactory manner and for carrying out the purposes of the Displaced Persons (CPR) Act, 1954, and the Rules framed thereunder. I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the following arrangement being made with the Haryana Govt. for the management and disposal of the remaining acquired urban evacuee agril. lands/properties and realization of rental demands in accordance with the provisions of the said Act and the Rules framed thereunder. The properties involved shall continue to vest in the Compensation Pool as hitherto and shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Rules, aforesaid.

(i) Recovery of arrears of rent of rural evacuee agril.
land and other rural evacuee properties.

The work of recovery of these arrears has already been entrusted to the composite State Govt. of Punjab on agency basis vide this Ministry’s letter No.3(51)/LR/63 dated 22.6.64. According to available information, a sum of about Rs.6.34 lakhs was outstanding as on 30.9.62. The State Govt. will intimate the position of arrears as on 28.3.70. The work of recovery of the balance amount outstanding on 28.3.70 shall be transferred to the State Govt. of India to the State Govt. The latter shall pay the Govt. of India a sum equal to 10% of the demand on account of these arrears. All recoveries affected henceforth shall be credited to the State Government’s account. A shortfall, if any, in recovery shall not be made up by the Govt. of India nor shall it claim any amount recovered by the State Govt. in excess of the amount paid to it by the latter.

(ii) Recovery of price of land allotted to non-claimant Bahawalpur displaced persons and Kashmiri migrants.

The recovery of these arrears has also been entrusted to the composite State Govt. of Punjab on commission basis vide this Ministry’s letter No.3(8)/LR/66 dated 1.6.1965. The amount which was still recoverable as on 31.3.1963 was about Rs.6.40 lakhs. The State Govt. shall intimate the actual figures of outstanding demands on 28.3.70. The work of recovery of the balance of dues as on 28.3.70 shall be transferred to the State Govt. which shall pay to the Govt. of India a sum equal to 25% of the demand. Recoveries made by the State Govt. shall hereafter be credited to their account.

A shortfall, if any, in recovery shall not be made up by the Govt. of India nor shall it claim any amount.

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recovered by the State Govt. in excess of the amount paid to it by the latter.

(iii) **Urban Rental Demand.**

The Regional Settlement Commissioner, Jullundur, shall intimate the amount of urban rental demand outstanding as on 28.2.1970. The recovery of this amount shall henceforth be made by the State Govt. The State Govt. shall pay to the Govt. of India a sum equal to 10% of the demand as on 28.2.1970 according to the books of the Regional Settlement Commissioner, Jullundur. A shortfall, if any, in recovery shall not be made up by the Govt. of India nor shall it claim any amount recovered by the State Govt. in excess of the amount paid to it by the latter.

(iv) **Urban Evacuee Properties.**

All undisposed of urban evacuee properties excepting those in respect of which auctions have already been held but the acceptance of bids is still pending, shall henceforth be managed and disposed of under the provisions of the Displaced Persons (DPL) Act, 1954 and the Rules framed thereunder, by the State Govt. and the State Govt. shall pay to the Central Govt. a sum equal to 15% of the reserve price of these properties. The properties which have not yet been listed and are discovered by the State Govt. shall also be managed and disposed of in the same manner by the State Govt. which shall pay to the Govt. of India a sum equal to 10% of the reserve price of each such property in excess of the amount paid to it by the latter.

(v) **Urban Evacuee Agrl. Lands.**

Listed and unsurveyed urban evacuee agrl. lands which have still not been disposed of shall be managed and disposed of in the same manner as indicated at sub-para (iv) above by the State Govt. which shall pay to the Central Govt. a sum calculated at the following rates:

- **(i) Pure Evacuee lands.** ₹1100/- per acre.
- **(ii) Lands held by occupancy tenants.** ₹550/- per acre.
- **(iii) Evacuee share of land jointly owned by evacuees and non-evacuees.** ₹550/- per acre. Gratis.
- **(iv) Ghair Mumkin in land.**

All expenditure on the management, enlistment and disposal of these lands, shall be borne by the State Govt. and the sale proceeds and other receipts from these lands shall be

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credited to their account. A shortfall, if any, in recovery shall not be made up by the Govt. of India nor shall it claim any amount recovered by the State Govt. in excess of the amount paid to it by the latter.

7. The arrangements detailed above shall not apply to the assets of the Settlement Organization in Faridabad and Mitchell Townships in Haryana for which separate discussions will be arranged.

8. The arrangement detailed above shall not in any way affect the payment of compensation to unsatisfied claimants, if any, in accordance with the provisions of the Displaced Persons (GDR) Act, 1954 and the Rules framed thereunder. Their claims shall, as usual, be dealt with by the Officers of the State Govt. who have been delegated with the powers of the Central Govt. under Section 34 of the Displaced Persons (Compensation & Rehabilitation) Act, 1954.

9. The aforesaid arrangement shall take effect from the 1st March, 1970. The entire amount payable by the State Govt. under the aforesaid arrangement in respect of the dues mentioned in sub-paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) and in respect of the properties mentioned in sub-paragraphs (iv) & (v) of the paragraph 6 of this letter but excluding those which are at present un-surveyed and not listed, shall become due on 1st March, 1970 and shall be paid by the State Govt. to the Central Govt. in six equal half-yearly instalments (first instalment falling after six months from the date indicated above) on 1.9.70, 1.3.71, 1.9.71, 1.3.72, 1.9.72 and 1.3.73. No interest shall be charged on sums outstanding out of the amount due from the State Govt. but instalments of which have not fallen due. However, if any instalment is not paid in full on the due date as mentioned above, the same or part thereof which is outstanding, shall be payable with interest for the period from the due date up to the date of payment, the rate of interest being that as fixed by the Central Govt. from time to time.

10. The actual amount payable to the Govt. of India under this arrangement shall be finally worked out by the Regional Settlement Commissioner, Jullundur, after the State Govt. has verified the properties/lands on the spot after receipt of lists of the properties and lands from the Regional Settlement Commissioner, Jullundur. The amount worked out by the Regional Settlement Commissioner, Jullundur, as being due as on 1.3.1970 shall be treated as provisional till the State Govt. has carried out the survey and verification of the properties and lands.

11. As regards the properties and lands which fall under categories (iv) & (v) which are at present un-surveyed and not listed but which shall be surveyed and listed by the Govt. of Haryana henceforward, the Govt. of Haryana shall render account thereof to the Central Govt. by 1.3.1973 and shall pay the amount due therein to the Central Govt. in one lump by 31st March, 1973.

If any property still remains un-surveyed by that date, the

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Govt. of Haryana shall pay to the Central Govt. the amount in respect thereof as and when the properties are surveyed by them.

12. This letter issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure) vide their U.O.No.2278/TLR/70 dated 31.3.70.

Yours faithfully,

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