

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Office of the Financial Commissioner (Revenue) J&K

Subject:- Change of Class of Soil while writing/updating of Jamabandis (Quadrennial Record of Rights) in the State.

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Writing of Jamabandis (Quadrennial Record of Rights) has been undertaken in all the Districts on a mission mode, it is, therefore, important to emphasize upon all the Deputy Commissioners, Regional Directors Survey & Land Records / Additional Deputy Commissioners / Sub Divisional Magistrates / Assistant Commissioners / Tehsildars/ Naib Tehsildars/ Girdwars & Patwaris engaged in the process of writing of Jamabandis to comply with the guidelines / directions embodied in the Standing Order No. 23-B related to writing up of Jamabandis, in letter and spirit.

- 2. Besides, it is mandatory that during the course of writing of Jamabandis different officers in the revenue hierarchy must check and attest the entries made by the Patwaris as laid down in Rule 21 of the Standing Order No. 23-B
- 3. And that the concerned Tehsildar / Naib Tehsildar concerned shall certify the correctness of the entries reflected in the Jamabandies on the spot as per **Appendix-D** of Standing Order No. 23-B.
- 4. However, as a matter of caution, it is enjoined upon all the Patwaris and other senior officers that no change, repeat no change of recorded class of soil of water bodies like 'Khads, Kassi, Chah, Chhapri, etc.' be changed to Banjar Jadeed or Banjar Qadeem or to any other class of soil. And any such willful conversion of land of 'water bodies' shall be dealt with severely.
- 5. However, any change of soil necessitated by permanent change caused by the development of new permanent sources of irrigation like sinking of new wells or the development of irrigation canal by the Government should be recorded only after due verification on ground and the concerned Naib Tehsildar/ Tehsildar shall record his

certificate that a new permanent source of irrigation has been developed for the land which has caused permanent change in its use from 'Barani' to Chahi or Nehri.

- Similarly, no new interest shall be created on Forest land or State 6. land or Common Lands by insertion of fresh entries in the new Jamabandis.
- Each Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner, Revenue /Tehsildar 7. concerned shall be held personally responsible in ensuring that no such change with regard to the classification of soil or to the existing status of Forest / State / Government/ Common Lands land shall be effected in the new Jamabandis.
- 8. Due vigilance and check in this regard must be exercised by the superior officers and those found indulging in such practices of changing the classification of soil or inserting illegal entries on Forest/ Government/ State/ Common Lands shall be duly prosecuted under law, promptly and forcefully, by their superiors under intimation to the FCR.

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- Divisional Commissioner, Jammu.
- 3. Divisional commissioner, Kashmir.
- 4. Divisional Commissioner, Ladakh.
- 5. Commissioner, Survey & Land Records, J&K, Srinagar
- 6. Deputy Commissioners (All) . They shall get it circulated to all the concerned within their jurisdiction to all the concerned and ensure its implementation in letter and spirit.

7. Regional Director Survey & Land Records (All) for similar necessary action.

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