GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT DISPUR, GUWAHATI-06

NO. PR.SECY/RDM/2016/

Dated Dispur, the 12th February, 2017

From : Shri P.K Tiwari, IAS,

Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

Revenue and DM Department

Dispur, Guwahati-06.

To : Deputy Commissioner (All)

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Sub : Improving the work culture in Revenue Administration.

Sir/Madam,

You are aware of the efforts being made by Revenue and Disaster Management Department for bringing in efficiency, transparency and accountability in the functioning of Revenue Administration. It is necessary however, to ensure simultaneously that the departmental functionaries indulging in malpractices are identified and severest possible action is taken against them. Some of the such malpractices having come to the fore are as follows:

- 1. Mutation against Annual Patta without verification of legal heir status.
- 2. Not initiating NR proceedings in cases of transfer of A.P land.
- Transfer and mutation of in favour of fictitious persons, particularly in Tribal Block/Belts.
- 4. Transfer and Mutation of land in tribal Block/Belt to ineligible persons.
- 5. Transfer and Mutation of land within 10 years of its conversion to P.P land.
- 6. Not showing the correct class of land in Chitha.
- 7. Not reporting the encroachment on Reserve categories of Government land.
- 8. Not reporting encroachment on ceiling surplus land by Tea Gardens.
- Not reporting diversion of government land for purposes other than it was allotted for.

These malpractices have been possible and gone undetected in many cases because of the poor supervision by the higher authority in terms of the frequency, intensity and quality of supervision. It is reiterated that Deputy Commissioners are principally the land Revenue Officer and they have to be accountable for the effective functioning of the Revenue Administration in the district.

You are directed to conduct intensive review of the functioning of the Revenue Administration with special focus on the malpractices mentioned above, identify the instances of violation of the law of land and officials responsible for malpractices and take necessary action including registering criminal cases against them. Every effort should be made to ensure that no act of wrong-doing or wrong-doer goes undetected and unpunished.

Please submit a detailed report on the outcome of review done by you with particular reference to the malpractices mentioned above. The report must be submitted by 15th March, 2017.

Yours faithfully,

(P.K. Tiwari)

Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Revenue and DM Department.

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- All the Divisional Commissioner, NAD/CAD/LAD/UAD, requested to monitor the process of review and verification closely and inspect at least one revenue Circle preferably the Sadar Revenue in each of the District in their jurisdiction.
- Director of Land Records and Surveys etc Assam, Rupnagar, Guwahati -32 for information.
- 3. P.S. to Secretary to Chief Minister, Assam for information.

4. P.S. to MoS, Revenue and DM Department for information.

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