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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
REVENUE & DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT,
ASSAM SECRETARIAT (C), DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6.

NOTIFICATION

Dated Dispur, the 12th March, 2015.

RGR.785/2014/6 :- The Governor of Assam is pleased to introduce a scheme called "Chief Minister's Special Scheme for Rehabilitation of Erosion Affected Families in Assam" in order to rehabilitate homeless and landless people living on embankments/ roadsides, educational institutions, religious organisations, char or forest lands, Govt. khas lands, VGRs, PGRs etc.

The following are the features of the Scheme:-

(A) Criteria for selection of Beneficiaries:

- (1) This Rehabilitation Policy would cover the erosion affected families only. Affected families under other natural calamities or man-made disasters would not be covered.
- (2) The erosion-affected families (river-erosion) would be categorised as follows:
 - (i) Families who have lost all their lands, both homestead and agricultural land, due to erosion and they have no other land anywhere in the State;
 - (ii) Families who have lost their homestead land, and not agricultural lands;
 - (iii) Families who have lost their all agricultural lands, but have homestead lands.
- (3) Identification of beneficiary families, therefore, in order of priority would be as follows:
 - (i) Families rendered landless and homeless by erosion;
 - (ii) Families rendered homeless only;
 - (iii) Families left with less than 3 Bighas of agricultural land, but has not been rendered homeless.
 - (iv) The definition of landless person/ family will be as defined in the Land Policy in force.
- (4) Eligibility for consideration, as beneficiary :
 - (i) The benefit under the Rehabilitation Policy shall be provided to all categories of genuinely erosion affected Indian Citizens in Assam.

- (ii) Those who avail benefit under this policy shall not have any claim to any other land that may become available in future.

(B) Rehabilitation package:

- (1) Rehabilitation package for the aforesaid categories of erosion-affected families would be as follows:

- (i) For the first category of families who are rendered landless completely and become homeless by erosion,

(a) A plot of land measuring 1 (One) Bigha for homestead purpose,

(b) A cash amount of Rs. 75,000.00 for construction of house and

(c) 3(three) Bighas of agricultural land subject to availability of Govt land or financial grant equivalent to cost of 4 Bighas of land subject to maximum of Rs 2.00, Lakh, so that the beneficiaries can arrange the land for their settlement on their own.

- (ii) For the families rendered homeless ,

(a) 1(One) Bigha of land for homestead purpose and a cash amount of Rs. 75,000.00 for construction of house,

(b) Or amount equivalent to cost of 1(One) Bigha of land subject to maximum of Rs50,000.00 (Fifty thousand) and cash amount of Rs75,000.00 for construction of house in the Rural areas and,

(c) 1.5 Kathas (One Katha ten Lechas) of land and Rs 75,000.00(Seventy five thousand) cash for construction of house Or financial assistance of Rs2.00 Lakh in Urban areas.

- (iii) For the families in the third category, land equivalent to meet the shortfall from 3 Bighas Or amount equivalent to the cost of that quantum of land subject to Rs2.00 Lakh as the ceiling.

- (2) This would not be applicable in case of families having any member of the family as a permanent Govt/ Semi-Govt/PSU/ Banking or other Financial Institutions/ Private Organisation employee drawing annual salary in excess of Rs.2.50 Lakh OR whose annual income/turnover from business or other source of income exceeds Rs.2.50 Lakh per annum.

- (3) As availability of sufficient suitable Govt. lands for the by all the districts in the format and manner prescribed by the purpose would be an integral part towards proper implementation of the scheme, an

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inventory of suitable Govt. lands in the form of Village Land Bank would be created by Government.

- (4) In order to ensure successful implementation of the Rehabilitation exercise, effort would be made to rehabilitate the affected people in their existing or erstwhile neighborhood within the radius of 5 K.M. from their habitation subject to availability of land. In case of non-availability of land within 5 K.M. , the affected people will have the option of availing the financial assistance in lieu of land.

(C) Procedure for Selection of Beneficiaries:

(1) Revenue Circle Level Committee:

- (a) For preparation of the lists of beneficiaries, details of lands available for proposed rehabilitation, Revenue Circle Level Committee will be constituted in the following manner :

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| (i) ADC of the District(preferably the ADC looking after Revenue matters)/SDO (Civil) (in case of outlying Subdivisions) | Chairperson |
| (ii) Local MLA/ MLAs | Member. |
| (ii) The BDOs in the Revenue Circle | Member |
| (iii) The A.P. President(s) and the Z.P. Members in the Rev. Circle | Member |
| (iv) The local G.P. Presidents | Member |
| (v) Officials of Agriculture / Water Resources Deptt. | Member |
| (vi) The Circle Officer of the Revenue Circle | Member-Secretary |

- (b) ~~The main function of the Committee will be the identification of the beneficiary families category-wise and recommend the best mode of Rehabilitation Package depending on the category and profile of the affected families.~~

- (c) The Circle Level Committee will forward the lists of beneficiaries, details of lands available and its recommendation on the Rehabilitation Package to the District Level Committee.

- (d) Meeting of the Committee is to be held quarterly to review progress of the rehabilitation work after approval by competent authority and to consider new proposals as may be necessary.

(2) District Level Committee ;

- (a) At the District level the following Committee will be constituted for the implementation of the Policy :-

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| (i) Deputy Commissioner | Chairperson |
| (ii) All M.P.s / M.L.A.s | Member |

(iii)	President, Zilla Parishad	Member
(iv)	Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad	Member
(v)	Project Director, D.R.D.A	Member
(vi)	SDO (Civil) / SDO (Sadar)	Member
(vii)	All Revenue Circle Officers	Member
(viii)	District Agril. Officer/ E.E., Water Resources/PHE	Member
(ix)	ADC (Revenue)	Member-Secretary

- (b) The District Level Committee will examine the lists, reports and recommendations received from the Circle Level Committee and finalize the lists. The Committee will also decide on the mode and site for rehabilitation to be provided. Approved lists and other details will be submitted to Govt at Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) by the Deputy Commissioner.
- (c) The lists and recommendation received from the Districts will be compiled and examined at the State level and placed before the State Executive Committee for its approval. The SEC constituted for SDRF will function as the SEC for this scheme too.
- (d) Administrative approval for implementation of the scheme as well as sanction and release of funds will be issued by the ASDMA to the Deputy Commissioner.

(D) Delegation of Authority:

- (1) Delegation of Authority for implementation of the Rehabilitation Scheme would be made as follows:
- (i) Deputy Commissioner:- For allotment of land for rehabilitation within the District.
- (ii) Commissioner of Division:- For rehabilitation proposal involving allotment of land outside the District in other Districts of the Division.
- Both (i) and (ii) may be subject to necessary Govt. approval in this regard.
- (iii) State Government:- For all proposals involving allotment of land outside the territorial jurisdiction of Divisional Commissioners.
- (2) The Commissioner and Secretary, Revenue & D.M. Deptt. / Chief Executive Officer, ASDMA will be the Nodal Officer for implementation of the Scheme.
- (3) To oversee the entire matters pertaining to the implementation of the scheme, a Cell within Assam State Disaster Management Authority will be constituted with the following manpower :

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- (i) Two Officers as consultant, preferably ACS officers, one in the rank of ADC/Deputy Secretary and the other in the rank of SDO/Under Secretary, both either in -service or retired person well conversant in revenue matters and having experience of working in the related field to examine the various proposals received from the districts. This, in case of in-service person could be on deputation and in case of retired person on contract with a fixed remuneration to be met from the budgeted allocation under the Special Rehabilitation scheme.
 - (ii) 2(two) Computer Operators to prepare the lists, proposals etc, on contract basis with fixed pay expenditure for which is to be met from the budgeted allocation under the scheme.
 - (iii) 2(two) senior Assistants, on deputation, to receive and maintain the proposals and other official records.

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