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Read : 1. No.16/1/1/2018-RD/7531 dated 24/12/2020
2. 17/7/2022-RD/226 dated 10/03/2022
3.16/1/6/2018-RD/260 dated 21/02/2023
4. 16/1/6/2018-RD/1175 dated 11/10/2023
5. 16/1/6/2018/Rev-I/1966 dated 22/04/2025
6. 17/81/2025-RD/2899 dated 16/10/2025

CIRCULAR

1. The Government has, through various circulars issued from time to time, consistently reiterated that **no encroachments shall be permitted on Government or Comunidade land**. All concerned authorities have been repeatedly directed to take **strict, immediate, and effective action** against any form of encroachment.
2. Further, it has been clarified that the authorities empowered under **Notification No. 40/1/2013-RD dated 30/09/2013** shall ensure that **no fresh encroachments** are allowed to come up on Government or Comunidade land.
3. The Government has launched the *Majhe Ghar Yojana* as a **one-time welfare measure** to provide legal recognition and security of tenure to long-standing dwelling houses erected unauthorisedly on Government, or Comunidade land by persons belonging to the **economically weaker sections**. Rooted in the principles of a Welfare State and guided by the **Directive Principles of State Policy**, the Yojana translates the right to life under **Article 21 of the Constitution** into the right to live with dignity.
4. Under the scheme, **Section 38A** has been inserted in the *Goa Land Revenue Code, 1968*, and **Article 372-B** has been inserted in the *Goa Legislative Diploma No. 2070 dated 15-04-1961*. The scope of these provisions is **limited and clearly defined**, extending only to landless persons who:
   i. Have constructed a dwelling house on Government/Comunidade land **prior to 28.02.2014**; and

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ii. Have been **residents of Goa for at least 15 years** immediately preceding **28.02.2014**.

5. In light of the above, and in order to ensure effective enforcement while protecting the interest of the Government and Comunidade, the following **instructions and clarifications** are hereby issued:

a. Only dwelling houses that **strictly fall within the ambit of Section 38A of** *the Goa Land Revenue Code, 1968* **and Article 372B of the** *Goa Legislative Diploma No. 2070 dated 15-04-1961* shall be eligible for protection under the *Majhe Ghar Yojana*.

b. The **Collectors, Deputy Collectors, Administrators of Comunidades, Mamlatdars, Circle Inspectors, Talathis**, and all other responsible officials, including the responsible officials of the concerned Government Department/ Comunidade shall take **all necessary measures** to protect Government and Comunidade land.

c. All **fresh encroachments** shall be dealt with **immediately and stringently**.

d. All authorities shall maintain **constant vigilance** to ensure that **no new encroachments** arise.

e. Any failure on the part of an officer or official who is responsible for protecting Government or Comunidade land within his/her jurisdiction, and who, during his/her tenure, fails to prevent encroachment or to take timely action against such encroachment, shall be viewed seriously. Appropriate action shall be initiated against such officer or official.

f. More specifically, any failure on the part of the concerned Panchayat Secretary / Mamlatdar / Block Development Officer / Chief Officer / Police Inspector, who is otherwise duty bound to prevent any illegal construction/ development, shall be viewed seriously, and such officer shall be liable for disciplinary action.

g. The Collectors shall constitute **Flying Squads in each Taluka**, under the chairpersonship of the **Deputy Collector / Sub-Divisional Magistrate**. The Flying Squad shall comprise:

(i) Deputy Collector / Sub-Divisional Magistrate — *Chairperson*

(ii) Mamlatdar of the Taluka

(iii) Block Development Officer of the Taluka

(iv) Municipal Inspector (for Municipal areas)

(v) Panchayat Secretary (for Village Panchayat areas)

(vi) Talathi of the respective Saza

(vii) One representative of the Town & Country Planning Department

(viii) One representative of the Goa Coastal Zone Management Authority

(ix) One police representative of appropriate rank

(x) Any other member as may be decided by the Collector

h. The Flying Squad shall remain **operational at all times** including Saturday, Sunday and public holiday and shall maintain **strict surveillance** over Government and Comunidade land.

i. A dedicated **WhatsApp number** shall be established for receiving complaints from the public. The number shall be given **wide publicity**, and the Flying Squad shall take **immediate action** on all reported cases of encroachment, ensuring that illegal activities are **stopped forthwith.**

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