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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA

HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 6th February 2010

SUBJECT—Amnesty Scheme for regularization of unauthorized water supply connections.

The question of regularization of unauthorized water supply connections in Urban Local Bodies was under consideration of the Government for sometime. The State Government, after careful consideration do hereby make the following amnesty scheme with set of procedures for regularization of unauthorized water supply service connections and order that the same may be given effect from the date of publication of this Resolution in *Orissa Gazette* to be remain valid for 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from the date of publication of this Resolution in the *Orissa Gazette* :

(i) Application with copy or holding/property tax receipt/Copy of registration of deed/Record-of-Rights of land/Patta/Lease deed to be furnished.

(ii) One-time penalty of Rs. 500 to be deposited.

(iii) The scrutiny fee for the water Supply connection can be paid either in one lot or in multiple instalments of 12/24/36 consecutive Emls of Rs. 270, Rs. 150, Rs. 100, respectively. The instalment amount is to be included in the monthly water bill.

(iv) The Amnesty Scheme will be operational for a period of 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from the date of publication in the *Orissa Gazette*.

(v) Since this is a voluntary disclosure scheme, the connection can be regularized on the spot on receipt of the application along with the required document as at (i) above along with the regularization fee. The competent authority for regularization will be the area Junior Engineer. Due publicity will be given in various modes of media, i.e. newspapers, T.V., etc. to popularize the scheme for wider participation.

(vi) After closure of the scheme, the concerned Junior Engineer shall furnish a comprehensive report to the concerned Executive Engineer about the number of applications received, regularized, pending and rejected with valid reasons thereof.

(vii) For all regularized connections, the monthly consumption bills shall be promptly delivered to such consumers. In case of rejection, if any such connections shall be disconnected forthwith. Similarly, a drive will be taken to disconnect all other unauthorized connections which have not been disclosed during the Amnesty Scheme in accordance with the provisions of the Waterworks Rules, 1980.

Regularization of unauthorized water connection under this Amnesty Scheme, however, shall not bestow any rights, powers, titles on the consumers in terms of ownership, tenancy and legality of the property and Public Health Engineering Organisation will still reserve the right to disconnect such connections for technical reasons.

ORDER—Ordered that the Resolution be published in the *Orissa Gazette* and copies of the same forwarded to all Departments of Government/all Heads of Departments/Accountant-General, Orissa/Deputy Accountant-General, Orissa/all Revenue Divisional Commissioners/Chief Engineer, Public Health (Urban), Orissa, Bhubaneswar/Chief Engineer, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation, Orissa/all District Magistrates/Director, Municipal Administration and *ex officio* Additional Secretary to Government, Housing & Urban Development Department/all Superintending Engineers, Public Health/all Superintending Engineers, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation/all Executive Engineers, Public Health Divisions/all Executive Engineers of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Divisions/all Municipal Commissioners of Municipal Corporations/all Executive Officers of Municipalities and Notified Area Councils/Estate Officer, General Administration Department/Rent Officer, General Administration (Rent) Department/Valuation Officer, Housing & Urban Development Department.

By order of the Governor

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Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government