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Ref. No. MCHI/PRES/18-19/124

January 16, 2019

To, Shri Manu Kumar Srivastava (I.A.S.) Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) Registration and Stamp Revenue & Forest Department Government of Maharashtra



Proposed Premium for conversion of Class - II Land to Class I Sub:

Ref: Our representation dtd. Dec. 17, 2018 bearing No. MCHI/PRES/18-19/084

Respected Sir,

Mantralaya, Mumbai

This has reference to the above-mentioned representation dtd. December 17, 2018 submitted to your good self, on the subject of Draft of rules which the Government of Maharashtra proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 29 and 328 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966 (Mah.XLL of 1966) for Conversion of Class II lands into Class I. (Enclosed copy of the representation for ready reference)

It has been proposed vide this notification that any holder of Occupancy Class II land or leasehold land could apply to the concerned District Collector for conversion to Occupancy Class I on payment of specified premium, besides some other provisions of these Rules. The Premium to be charged as specified is: "Fifty per cent of value of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates (ASR)".

Sir, it is our sincere request that this premium be clarified as "incremental" premium over any other premium paid in the past for the same land when the transfer of rights may have been affected from one party to another and should not be an absolute 50% of the current day ASR.

Besides, the conversion of lands Class II to Class I, should be made at an incremental premium of only 25% and should be applicable to all kinds of land whether agricultural, industrial, residential or commercial, because currently it seems that the notification that was issued for suggestions & objection which ended on 31st December, was not applicable and did not include industrial land. It is important to note here earlier policies that have been issued by Government of Maharashtra for converting the Government land into freehold by payment of premiums have not worked because the land owners have found the premiums to be very, very costly and unviable; hence, the earlier schemes have been a failure and very few land owners have actually opted for the same.

So, our earnest request to the Government is to come out with a people-friendly scheme, that the land owners would whole heartedly accept. Sir, additionally, we request that once the premium payment has been affected in the government records, the current land owner be given Sanad and the land should be made free of all encumbrances.

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CREDIA-MCHI's PRAYERS

- 1. The conversion of lands Class II to Class I, should be made at an incremental premium of only 25% and should be applicable to all kinds of land whether agricultural, industrial, residential or commercial
- 2. Provide a facility of interest free deferred payment facility for 3 (three) years.
- 3. Once the premium payment has been affected in the government records, the current land owner be given Sanad and the land should be made free of all encumbrances.

We look forward to your favorable consideration and confirmation of the above suggestion.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely, For CREDAI-MCHI

Nayan A. Shah

Bandish Ajmera President Hon. Secretary

Sanjiv S. Chaudhary MRICS COO, CREDAI-MCHI

Encl.: As above

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December 17, 2018

To Shri Manu Kumar Srivastava (I.A.S.) Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) Registration and Stamp Revenue & Forest Department Government of Maharashtra



Sub: Draft of rules which the Government of Maharashtra proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 29 and 328 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966 (Mah.XLL of 1966) for Conversion of Class II lands into Class I

Ref: Jamin 2018/C.R.90/J-1 dated 17th November 2018.

Respected Sir,

Mantralaya, Mumbai

With reference to the above, we submit the following suggestions,

- 1) Kindly clarify that conversion to Occupancy Class-I is without any conditions attached to Class-II land and after conversion the land assumes tenure as freehold.
- Various rates of Conversion Premiums suggested in TABLE of DRAFT RULES is too high and exorbitant and is not tenable as per legal opinions/observations made by various Courts including Supreme Court of India [Inder Prasad vs. Union of India; 1994 SCC (5) 239] & High Court of various States [Delhi High Court: LA.APP. 98/2007] including Bombay in respect of remainder commercial and beneficial interest of the Lessor / Owner. In case Ready Reckoner rates are not acceptable to occupant choice to be given to take market value of land.
- 3) It is to be borne in mind that suggested conversion formula is relating to market value at current rate which factor itself serves as a necessary stimulant for Owner / Lessor of leasehold lands to earn its just and fair remainder share (valuation) of lease hold land and therefore percentage share of the Govt. out of current market valuation has to be very reasonable for truly attracting the lessees who have otherwise no compulsion at all to respond.
- 4) The draft rules do not consider the cases where in applicant has made application for grant of the Government lands on payment of 100 % of the market value and such applicant comes for conversion of such Class-II lands into Class I lands.

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As per the draft rules published, such applicant is required to pay the 100% of the market value of the land + as per draft GR, 50% of market value for conversion into Class I land i.e. 150% of the market value of the land . This is an exorbitant price considering that the ASR are revised every year.

We suggest that

- In such cases where the application for grant of Government in being considered by the Government / Collector office, then the grant of Government land in Class I tenure shall be granted by recovering additional premium of 5% of the ASR over & above the market price of land.
- While calculating the premium for the conversion of the lands, the original price paid to the Government towards the grant of the land, cost of improvement made by the owners and unearned income paid to the Government by the occupants of said lands shall have to be deducted from the ASR value of the land .i.e.

 Premium for Conversion of land = rate of premium in % (Value of the land as per ASR/Market Value {original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government})
- 6) The para wise suggestions / objections are as under

DRAFT RULES

Serial	Provision	Provision	Suggestions in	Remarks
number	number		BOLD & italies	
1	1. Short	(2) These	(2) These Rules	There are
	title and	Rules shall	shall apply to	policies of the
	application	apply to	lands granted for	Government in
	(2)	lands	agricultural or	Urban
		granted for	residential or	Development
		agricultural	commercial	Department
	1	or	purpose <i>or to</i>	wherein the
		residential	Industrial	Class II lands
		or	purpose which	granted /
		commercial	can be used for	acquired lands
		purpose	Residential/	can be used for
		on	commercial	the Residential
		Occupancy	purposes as	/ Commercial
		Class-II or	provisions of the	uses .
			D.C. regulations	
			of the Municipal	

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		leasehold rights.	Councils/ Corporations, on Occupancy Class-II or leasehold rights	Suggestions is as per the Government policy and will also reduce the approval time & procedure
2	3,	(3) Upon such verification, if it is noticed that there is violation of any of the terms or conditions of grant of such land which has not been regularized by the Authority competent to do so, then the Collector may reject the application, by an Order, after recording the reasons therefor.	(3) Upon such verification, if it is noticed that there is violation of any of the terms or conditions of grant of such land which has not been regularized by the Authority competent to do so, then the Collector may consider the said application subject to the conditions that violations shall be regularized by the competent authority within stipulated time . reject the application, by an Order, after recording the reasons therefor.	Suitable provisions shall be have to be made for regularization of the Violations Volitions, else most of the applications will be rejected on these grounds. The Government may not achieve the intended the purpose.
		(4) Upon such verification, if it is noticed that there is no violation of any of the	verification, if it is noticed that there is no violation of any of the terms or conditions of grant of such land, or such	

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terms or violation, if any, conditions has been of grant of regularized by such land, or the authority competent to do such so OR on violation, if conditions any, has that such been violations shall regularized be dealt by the by the competent authority authority within competent to the stipulated time ,then the so, then the Collector shall by Collector an Order, convert shall by an the Occupancy Order, Class-II land or convert the leasehold land Occupancy into Class-II land Occupancy Classor leasehold I land on land into payment of Occupancy conversion Class-I land premium as on payment specified in the of Table below conversion premium as specified in the Table below: -



TABLE (The suggestions are in BOLD & Italics)

Sr. No	or leasehold la	A) Conversion premium payable for conversion of Occupancy Class-II or leasehold lands granted for agricultural purposes only to the first land of the first			
	Area in which the land is situated and user of the land	Premium to be charged upto three years commencing from the date of publication of these rules in official Gazette	Premium to be charged up to three FIVE years commencing from the date of publication of these rules in official Gazette	The time period of three years is too short for processing the applications in the Revenue Department shall have to be made at least 5 years	
T	Land granted for agricultural purposes situated outside the limits of any Nagar Panchayat or Municipal Council or Corporation or Special planning Authority,—			+ While calculating the premium for the conversion of the lands, the original price paid to the Government towards the grant of the land, cost improvement of improvement made by the	
	(i) allocated to agricultural or no development zone as per the Regional plan;	Fifty Twenty Five Fifty per cent of value of such land calculated as per potential nonagricultural rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by	Thirty Sixty seventy five per cent of value of such land calculated as per potential nonagricultural rate of	uncarned warned income paid to the Government by the occupants of said lands shall have to deducted from the ASR value of the land i.e	

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	deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government.	such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	Premium for Conversion of land = rate of premium in % (Value of the land as per ASR - { original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income -paid to the Government })
(ii) allocated to any non-agricultural zone as per the Regional plan.	Fifty-Twenty Five Fifty-per cent of value of such land calculated as per potential non- agricultural rate of such land specified in current Annual statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	Ihirty Staty Seventy five per cent of value of such land calculated as per potential non- agricultural rate of such land specified in current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	

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	27	3	21 0	
2	Land granted	Twenty Five Fifty	Thirty Six tu	For parity the %
1	for	Hitty-per cent of	Seventy five	of premium shall
1	agricultural	value of such land	per cent of	be charged at
	purposes,	calculated as per	value of such	off in all cases
	situated	rate of such land	land	after 5 years
	within the	specified in the	calculated as	
	limits of	current Annual	per rate of	
	any Nagar	Statement of Rates	such land	
	Panchayat or	by deducting the	specified in	
	Municipal	original price paid	the current	
	Council or	to Government +	Annual	
		Cost of	Statement	
	Municipal	improvement made		
	Corporation	by the Occupants +	of Rates by	
	or	Unearned income	deducting	
	Special	paid to the	the original price paid to	
	Planning	Government	Government	
	Authority	Government	+ Cost of	
	and allocated		improvement	
	to any non-		made by the	
	agricultural		Occupants +	: 4
	zone as per		Unearned	
	Development		income paid	
	plan, or		to the	
	where non-		Government	
	agricultural		Government	
	use of such			
	land is not			
	permissible		n n	
	as per the			
	Development			
	plan.			
	(B) Conversion	premium payable for	conversion of (Occupancy Class-II
		nds granted for reside		
	without any ce	indifions attached to	land (like freeb	old land):-
-1	Land held on	Fifty per cent	Say [hirt,	1.For
	Occupancy	Trendly per cent of	Sixty per	Cooperative
	Class-II.	value of such land	cent of value	Housing
		calculated as per	of such land	societies , the
		rate of such land	calculated as	rate of premium
		specified in the	per rate of	shall be made
		current Annual	such land	10% i.e. at par
		Statement of Rates	specified in	with the
		by deducting the	the current	redevelopment
	[original price paid	Annual	premium being
. 1		to Government +	Statement of	recovered as per
		to dovernment	statement of a	recovered as per

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		Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government.	Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	the Maharashtra Government Cabinet decision for Revenue Department dtd. 30 th January 2018.
2	Land leased out for a period upto ninety-nine years.	cent Fifty per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government.	Thirty live Some Seventy five per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government.	
3	Land leased out for a period of more than ninety-nine years and currently	Seven and Half per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land	five Harry per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of	

	held for the same lease period.	specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	
4	Land granted on leasehold rights to a Co-operative Housing Society and currently held by the Co-operative Housing Society.	Twenty five Tylen per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government	Twenty live Sixty per cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates by deducting the original price paid to Government + Cost of improvement made by the Occupants + Unearned income paid to the Government.	
2	Land granted on occupancy	Twenty Five Jou Twenty Five per	Sixty percent	

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	Class – II to a Co-operative housing society and currently held by the Co-operative housing society.	cent of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates.	of value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates.	
	litional Categor			
6	Land granted on Occupancy Class-II to a private person with express permission for ultimate transfer to a Co-operative housing society.	No premium	No premium	The Class II lands are granted / leased for constructions Housing complexes. These housing complexes/ buildings are required to be transferred to the Federations/ Societies as per the relevant Acts / directions/ policies of the Government
Z	Application of grant of Class II land is under consideration of the Government/ Collector, and the applicants apply for conversion of Class I tenure	Five percent value of such land calculated as per rate of such land specified in the current Annual Statement of Rates		



- Hope you will find our suggestions fair and reasonable in interest of all stakeholders and implement the same for very rich harvest in Govt. Revenues.
- ii. I request you for personal or group hearing to present our case as may be convenient and suitable to you.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely, For CREDAI-MCHI

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