THE ORISSA GOVERNMENT LAND SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1981

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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA
LAW DEPARTMENT
NOTIFICATION
The 7th May 1981

No. 8255-Legis—The following Act of the Orissa Legislative Assembly assented to by the Governor on the 6th May 1981 is hereby published having been information.

ORISSA ACT 18 OF 1981
THE ORISSA GOVERNMENT LAND SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1981
AN ACT TO AMEND THE ORISSA GOVERNMENT LAND SETTLEMENT ACT, 1962

BE it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Orissa in the Thirty-second year of the Republic of India, as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Orissa Government Land Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1981.

2. In section 2 of the Orissa Government Land Settlement Act, Orissa Act 33 of 1962 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) after clause (b), the following new clause shall be inserted, namely:—

(b-1) "landless agricultural labourer" means a person who has no profitable means a livelihood other than agriculture and who owns no land excluding his homestead;”.

3. In section 3 of the principal Act,—

(a) after sub-section (2), the following new sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2-a) The maximum extent of land to be settled under this section with any person for purposes of agriculture or for purposes of homestead shall be such as may be determined by Government from time to time”.

(b) in clause (d) of sub-section (3), the word "contiguous" shall be deleted.
4. In section 3-B of the principal Act, sub-section (2) shall be deleted.

5. To section 4 of the principal Act, the following proviso and explanation shall be added, namely:

"Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any char land which may form part of the holding of a raiyat under section 21 of the Orissa Land Reforms Act, 1960.

Explanation—For the purposes of this section—

(a) "char" means a gradual accretion to the bank formed by alluvial deposits in a river;

(b) "diara" means an island formed in the bed of a river or any land formed by the recession of a river."

6. In section 7-A of the principal Act,—

(a) in sub-section (1), after the words "made under that sub-section", the words "or under sub-section (3)" shall be inserted;

(b) for sub-section (3) excluding the provisos thereto, the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:

"(3) The Collector may of his own motion or otherwise call for and examine the records of any proceedings in which any authority subordinate to it has passed an order under this Act for the purpose of satisfying himself that any such order was not passed under a mistake of fact or owing to a fraud or misrepresentation or on account of any material irregularity of procedure and may pass such order thereon as he thinks fit;"

7. In section 8-A of the principal Act, for clause (e) of sub-section (2), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:

"(e) the procedure to be followed in the settlement of land and in the disposal of appeals and revision; and"

By order of the Governor
D. HOTA
Additional Secretary to Government