

GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

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From

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government.

To

All Collectors.

Sub:

The Orissa Miscellaneous Certificates Rules, 1984-
Grant of Resident Certificate to landless persons.

Madam/Sir,

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that persons residing in Urban areas especially slums, find it difficult to obtain 'Resident Certificate' if they do not have documentary proof of land ownership. Though ownership of land is not a pre requisite for grant of 'Residence Certificate', it is felt that absence of specific procedural guidelines on this behalf is resulting in difficulties in grant of certificate in such cases.

After careful consideration, Government have been pleased to issue the following guidelines for issuing Residence/Resident Certificate to the land less persons who apply for the same under the Orissa Miscellaneous Certificates Rules, 1984:

- i) Resident/Residence Certificate should not be denied to a land less persons merely because he does not have documentary evidence of ownership of land, if the applicant is otherwise eligible.
- ii) A person residing in a locality for a period of at least two years continuously may be granted residence certificate for that area.
- iii) Wherever the applicant does not own land, documentary evidence like extract of voter list, Elector's Photo Identity Card (if it contains local address of the applicant), Certificate in support of residence issued by the employer in Government/Public Sector, rent agreement with the land lords, address in Bank Pass Book, bills for public utility services like PHED, electricity distribution Company, land line telephone etc. may be accepted in support of local address of the applicant for a period of preceding two years. In the cases of doubt, local enquiry may be conducted.

