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Abstract

DMD- Construction and non-construction of houses in Landslide Hazard Prone areas of the State-Orders issued.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT (A)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.6/2019/DMD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 27/02/2019

- Read 1 G.O (Rt)No. 644/2018/DMD dated 30/11/2018.
2 Minutes of the 6th meeting of the Committee constituted for Post Flood Housing on 21-11-2018.
3 Minutes of the first meeting for examining the non-construction & construction permissible zones in landslide prone areas held on 26/11/2018.

ORDER

As per Government Order read as 1 paper above, Government have constituted an expert Advisory Committee under section 17 of the Disaster Management Act 2005, to study the construction of houses in high hazard areas, after getting the reports of Geological Survey of India. As per minutes read as 2nd paper above, the Member Secretary, KSDMA was directed to convene the meeting of committee constituted for studying exemptions for construction in high hazard areas without waiting for formal orders considering the urgency. Accordingly the committee met on 26/11/2018 and examined the report of Geological Survey of India (GSI) and the landslide hazard zone maps of Centre for Earth Science Studies (CESS) and submitted the minutes read as 3rd paper above.

2) Government have examined the recommendations of the committee in detail and are pleased to issue orders as follows.

- i. The district-wise survey report prepared by Geological Survey of India list in vulnerable houses will be communicated to the concerned District Collectors by the Member Secretary, State Disaster Management Authority.
- ii. District Collectors will take urgent necessary action to ensure that damaged houses included in the list are not reconstructed at the same site.
- iii. Residents in houses that may not have suffered damage but are included in the above list have to be relocated, before the next monsoon season.
- iv. GO (Ms) No. 7/2018/DMD dated 21-06-2018 will be applicable to the families that have to be relocated in the light of the report of the Geological Survey of India.
- v. In high, medium and low hazard zones, as depicted in the landslide prone area map of National Centre of Earth Science Studies (NCESS) published in the website of KSDMA (<http://sdma.kerala.gov.in/maps/>), newly constructed houses shall maintain atleast a distance of 15 metres from small streams in slopes greater than 15 degrees.

3) All District Collectors are directed to take necessary action in this regard.

(By order of the Governor)

REMESAN M.K
ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

The Commissioner, Land Revenue, Thiruvananthapuram
The Deputy Director General, Geological Survey of India (GSI), Kerala unit (through Member Secretary, KSDMA)
All District Collectors
The Director, Geological Survey of India (GSI)
The Director, Centre for Earth Science Studies (CESS)
The Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
The Member Secretary, KSDMA, Observatory Hills, Vikas Bhavan P.O, Thiruvananthapuram (for further action)
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