## Financial Commissioner, Punjab Department of Revenue, Rehabilitation and Disaster Management. Notification

## Dated:

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 155 of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887 (Act No. XVII of 1887) and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Financial Commissioner is pleased to make the following Rules to amend the Punjab Land Revenue Rules, 1909<sup>1</sup> and for their publication under Section 156 of the said Act read with Section 22 of the Punjab General Clauses Act, 1956.

## <u>Rules</u>

- 1. <u>Short title and commencement</u>. (1) These Rules may be called the Punjab Land Revenue (First Amendment) Rules, 2022.
- (2) These Rules shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- Definitions. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires;
- (a) 'Act' means the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887 (Act No.XVII of 1887);
- (b) 'Rules' mean the Punjab Land Revenue Rules, 1909;
- (c) 'Section' means the Section of the Act.
- 2. <u>Insertion of sub heading after Rule 70</u>. In the Rules, 1909, after Rule 70 the following sub heading shall be inserted: -

"Inspection of record and issuance of certified copies including certified copies with electronic signatures."

3. <u>Insertion of Rule 71D in the Rules after Rule 71C</u>. – After Rule 71C, the following Rule 71D shall be inserted in the Rules;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Published vide Financial Commissioner's Notification No.142 dated 09.11.19

- "71D <u>Preparation and maintenance of electronic record.</u> The electronic record of rights in addition to record of rights prepared manually shall be prepared and maintained in Format-II provided under Rule 72 of the Rules.
- 4. <u>Insertion of Rules 71E and 71F in the Rules after Rule 71D</u>. After Rule 71D, the following Rule 71E and Rule 71F shall be inserted in the Rules;

## 71E <u>Designation of authority competent to issue certified copy.</u>

The Financial Commissioner, Revenue shall by notification designate an authority, which may be an authorized service provider or web portal competent to issue certified copy of electronic record under the Information Technology Act, 2010 (Act No. 21 of 2010).

- 71F <u>Issuance of certified copy of electronic record by affixing electronic signature.</u> (1) An applicant shall apply to any of the authorized authority, service provider or web portal notified by the Financial Commissioner, Revenue under Rule 71E above for issuance of a certified copy maintained in electronic form.
- (2) The authorized service provider or web portal notified by the Financial Commissioner, Revenue shall issue certificate of the electronic record prepared and maintained under Rule 71D by affixing electronic signature certifying it to be a true copy of the record maintained.
- (3) The fee fixed for issuance of certified copy of the revenue record maintained under Rule 71D shall be as notified by the Financial Commissioner, Revenue from time to time.

Explanation: - The terms, `affixing electronic signature'; `electronic record' and `electronic signature' shall have the meaning assigned to them under clauses (d), (t) and (ta) of sub section (1) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (Act 21 of 2000).