

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND REHABILITATION
(LAND REVENUE BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 7th December, 2006.

No. G.S.R. 61/P.A. 17/1887/Ss. 17 and 28/Amd. ()/2006 - The following draft of rules further to amend the Punjab Land Revenue Rules, 1909, which the Governor of Punjab, proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 17 and 28 of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887 (Punjab Act No. XVII of 1887), and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, is published as required by section 156 of the said Act, for the information of the persons likely to be affected thereby.

Notice is hereby given that the draft will be taken into consideration by the Government on or after the expiry of a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, together with any objection or suggestion, which may be received by the Financial Commissioner, Revenue, from any person before the expiry of the period so specified with respect to the draft namely :-

DRAFT RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Rules, 2006.
(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. In the Punjab Land Revenue Rules, 1909, after rule 19-B, the following rule shall be inserted, namely :-
"19-C. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained elsewhere in these rules, where twenty families from a particular revenue estate are NRIs as determined by the Department of NRIs Affairs from time to time, there shall be appointed one additional honorary headman from amongst the local residents of the NRIs family, comprising son, daughter or wife of the NRIs of the village concerned without any remuneration, subject to the following conditions, namely :-
(2) In appointing the headman, regard shall be had among other matters, to :-
 - (a) the services rendered to the State by himself or by his family;
 - (b) his personal influence, character, ability and freedom from indebtedness ; and
 - (c) being a resident of concerned NRIs village and nominated member from amongst the NRIs family comprising son, daughter or wife of the NRI, preference would however be given to ex-NRI's, who reside in India for a period of more than nine months in a particular calendar year.

Explanation : The expression 'NRI' shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the Punjab Security of Land Tenure Act, 1953 and shall also include the persons born abroad after attaining the age of majority, but benefit would be limited to four generations of the NRI concerned.

(3) The headmen shall perform the following duties, namely :-

- (a) all duties prescribed in rule 20 of these rules, except those prescribed in clause (i) to (iv) thereof ;
- (b) authenticate the pedigree table of NRIs along with their addresses abroad;
- (c) assist the Patwari in preparation, maintenance and up-dation of record of rights including the harvest inspection in respect of NRI right holders; and
- (d) any other duty, assigned by the State Government by a special order."

Sd/-

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