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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

(G.O. Ms. No. 03/2023/1430, Puducherry, dated 08th March 2023)

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of the request received from the Consular-General of France, Puducherry, approval of the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is hereby accorded for constitution of "Special Cell at Subdivisional Level" with the following composition for conducting enquiry into land grab complaints received from the French Nationals, namely:-

SUBDIVISIONAL LEVEL SPECIAL CELL

- (i) Subdivisional Magistrate-*cum*-Deputy Collector . . Chairman (Revenue) concerned.
- (ii) Superintendent of Police concerned . . Member
- (iii) Tahsildar, Taluk Office concerned/Deputy Tahsildar, . . Member Sub-Taluk Office concerned.
- (iv) Sub-Registrar concerned . . Member

- 2. The scope and function of the Special Cell is as follows:
 - (i) The Special Cell shall receive land grabbing complaints from the French National for properties which are registered in their name.
 - (ii) The land grab complaints of French Nationals which are under enquiry of the Administrative Advisory Committee shall be enquired by the concerned Special Cell.
 - (iii) The Special Cell shall cause enquiry on the complaints and demarcate the properties wherever required.
 - (iv) The Special Cell shall pass necessary orders under the provisions of the Cr.P.C. and other relevant Codes/Acts wherever required (or) render advise to the parties to approach the Jurisdictional Civil Court in case of title disputes.
 - (v) In cases of the property not belonging to the French Nationals, the complaints shall be referred to the Administrative Advisory Committee constituted *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 104, dated 16-11-2007.
 - (vi) In case of fraudulent registration, the Special Cell may refer the case to the District Registrar for initiating necessary action as per the guidelines/circular in force.
 - (vii) The Special Cell may also recommend for restoration of mutation by the District Collector concerned based on the fraudulent registration under the provisions of the Puducherry Settlement Act, 1970.
 - (viii) The Special Cell may also issue directions to the concerned Station House Officer to file FIR based on the enquiry finding on the land grab complaint of the French Nationals.
 - (ix) The Special Cell may also issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities for safe guarding the properties of the French Nationals, wherever required.
 - (x) The Special Cell may also invite any Officials of the Government Departments as a Special Invitee, in case of necessity based on the complaints.

3. The functioning of the Special Cell shall be monitored and reviewed by the District Collectors once in every three months.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

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