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Notification

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 57 of the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor is pleased hereby to amend the Bengal Records Manual, 1943, as subsequently amended, in the manner hereinafter appearing:

1. Amendment of Rule 320H

For the existing provisions relating to issue of digitized copies of Khatian or individual Record-of-Rights on payment of fees, the following shall be substituted: -

For rule 320H, substitute the following: -

"320H. Any applicant applying online for Khatian or individual Record-of-Rights prepared under the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 shall be entitled to obtain the same, available in the digitized land records database online **free of cost**. No application fee or authentication fee shall be payable irrespective of the number of pages comprised in the Khatian or Record-of-Rights. The application shall be filed online and Khatians may be applied for through a single or multiple applications, and no application fee or authentication fee shall be payable for supply of such digitally signed Khatians.

Nothing contained in this rule shall affect the fees payable for obtaining certified hard copies or any other document under these Rules."

2. Amendment of Rule 320I

For clauses (a) of Rule 320I, the following shall be substituted: -

"(a) 320I. Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in this Chapter, any person may obtain, free of cost, through electronic means, a soft copy of Plot Information under the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955, available in the digitized land records database. No application fee or authentication fee shall be payable for obtaining such digitally signed soft copy. Nothing contained in this rule shall affect the fees payable for obtaining certified hard copies or any other document under these Rules."

The objective of this amendment is to improve ease of access to public services, reduce the financial burden on citizens, promote transparency and facilitate hassle-free electronic delivery of land-related information.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O No. Group A-II/2026-2027/0063 dated 30.06.2026 and will have immediate effect.

By order of the Governor,


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