## ASSOCIATION OF LAND AND LAND REFORMS OFFICERS', WEST BENGAL



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To,

The Secretary &
Land Reforms Commissioner, West Bengal,
L & L R and R R & R Department,
NABANNA, Howrah.

Sub: Fake Deeds, Law Clerk hegemony and criminal procedures against RO/BLLRO within ISU.

Respected Madam,

We have no other recourse but to seek your kind attention to the serious problems faced by BLLROs/ROs at the block levels with respect to the each and every issue as mentioned above.

We welcomed and had diligently laboured for computerisation of the land records, though there is lot of scope for improvement of the software to save the sanctity of the record of rights from any kind of manipulation from inside or outside. However, the immense pressure borne by the BLLROs/ROs particularly during covid pandemic renders disposal of nearly about crore of mutation cases along with huge conversion cases through office as well as "Duare Sarkar" mode. We feel that the Department should highlight this achievement of the cadre before the appropriate forums as an instance.

We find that inspite of the veil and protection provided to the officers under section 58 of the WBLR Act, 1955 as well as relevant provisions of IPC and Cr. P.C., there is a strong propensity to file FIRs against BLLROs/ROs, or to harrass in the name of investigations. There is also a concerted effort to malign the cadre within the administration as well as by the media, shifting the onus of the fake deeds and fake documents over the poor BLLROs/ROs.

Never it is found that the registration authorities have ever been challenged or questioned by anybody. Presently the e-registration website has come to somewhat help the BLLROs/ROs. As per departmental circulars, the BLLROs/ROs have been asked to follow the legal heir certificates from the elected public representatives, but issuance of any wrong certificates or declaration is usually not questioned.

The Law Clerks, empowered by the government notification, is creating a havoc at BLLRO levels. The entire blame of their misdeeds is shifted to BLLROs. Recently the incidence in Purulia is a great revelation which we do not like to elaborate for the sake of the dignity of the government.

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The over activism has resulted in all unfortunate situation whereby the BLLRO of Seerampore has been implicated. We demand immediate and instant legal protection of all BLLROs and ROs who are working under tremendous pressure and with forefront of a hostile mass. We seek the intervention of the Department to explore the legal possibility to be added party in such cases, specially like the one as in Seerampore block, because the Ld. State Advocate appearing for other departments are failing to raise the provisions of law in terms of the WBLR Act before the Hon'ble Courts of law.

We firmly believe that a strict vigil by the departmental officers is necessary in digital, virtual as well as physical domain so that a congenial environment be ensured to carry out the quasi-judicial function of the BLLROs/ROs at block level.

The atrocities have overgrown and outstripped any civilized mode of society.

We definitely want to meet you in person to discuss the grave situation listing at the block levels of ISU. kindly ensure prompt and timely legal coverage to the victims of mischievous criminal procedures.

With regards,

Yours faithfully,

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**General Secretary**