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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Department of Land and Land Reforms and Refugee Relief Rehabilitation
Land Policy Branch
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NOTIFICATION

No. 1971-LP/417/04-IS (Pt-V)

Dated: 18/05/2023

Whereas State Government allowed regularization of post facto conversion of land, other than any plot of land having water-body of any description or size, made before 07/11/2017 by enactment of the West Bengal Land Reforms (Third Amendment) Act, 2017 and the rules made thereunder;

And whereas land with various classifications were converted to water-bodies without taking formal permission of conversion from the Collector under section 4C of the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 (hereinafter referred to as the 'said Act');

And whereas there was no provision for regularization of land converted to water-body made before 07/11/2017 without permission of the Collector under section 4C of the said Act;

And whereas representations from the owners of such converted water-bodies for regularization of unauthorized conversion received by the Collector under section 4C of the said Act in the districts;

And whereas the State Government has considered to regularize such water-bodies made before 07/11/2017 from any class of land without permission of the competent authority within the ambit of third proviso to section 4C(6) of the said Act;

Now, therefore, after careful consideration of all the material facts and figures, the Governor is pleased hereby to direct that the rate of regularization of post facto conversion of land, of any description or size, converted to water-bodies in terms of third proviso to section 4C(6) of the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 made after 24/03/1986 and before 07/11/2017 on raiyati land on realization of fine in partial modification of this Department's Notification No.2221-I.P Dated 21/06/2018 as detailed below :

- (i) Brackish water-body Rs. 200/- per decimal of land irrespective of size and location;
- (ii) Non-brackish water-body Rs. 100/- per decimal of land irrespective of size and location.

This is issued in concurrence of Finance Department's U.O. No.: Group A-II/2022-23/0260 dated 16/03/2023.

By order of the Governor,

SMARAKI MAHAPATRA
LRC & Secretary to the Government of West Bengal