## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM REVENUE & DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT : SETTLEMENT BRANCH ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL) : DISPUR <u>GUWAHATI-6</u>

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## ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR NOTIFICATION

Dated Dispur, the 28th January, 2019

No.RDM-15011/283/2018-LS-REV-4 : Whereas the Government of Assam has notified the Assam Solar Energy Policy, 2017 to leverage solar energy potential of the State of Assam for augmenting the installed Solar power capacity by developing resources provisioned under State and Central Schemes, policies and programme.

Whereas the Government of Assam aims to fulfill its commitments under Sustainable Development Goals by promoting clean, accessible, affordable and equitable solar energy availability to ensure energy security for its citizens, as well as facilitate meeting of renewable energy obligations.

Whereas the State of Assam requires powers from every possible alternative source to meet the deficit and whereas the Solar Power Projects are sustainable and environment friendly and whereas the solar power can be consumed for a variety of purposes like residential commercial, industrial, irrigation facilities etc.

Whereas, the Department of Power, Government of Assam has requested the Revenue & Disaster Management Department for getting special exemption from the provision of the Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings Act, 1956(Assam Act No.1 of 1957) and the Assam Agricultural Land(Regulation of Re-classification and Transfer for Non-Agricultural Purpose) Act,2015(Assam Act No. XXVI of 2015) in respect of land for the purpose of setting up of Solar Power Projects.

Therefore, in exercise of the provision of Section 16(i) of the Assam Agricultural Land (Regulation of Re-classification and Transfer for Non-Agricultural Purpose) Act, 2015, the Governor of Assam is pleased to exempt land used or intended to be used for Solar Power Projects duly approved by the APDCL from the purview of the Assam Agricultural Land (Regulation of Re-classification and Transfer for Non Agricultural Purpose) Act, 2015.

The land used or intended to be used for Solar Power Projects shall be re-classified before effecting any transfer/lease as per provisions of Section 3-A of the Assam Land Revenue Re-assessment Act, 1936(Assam Act VII of 1936) and the Assam Land Records Manual.

In case of transfer or leasing out of land for Solar Power Projects, the provisions of the Registration Act, 1908 and the Indian Stamp Act, 1889 shall be applicable.

The land so transferred/ leased out for setting up of Solar Power Projects shall be utilized only for Solar Power Projects within 3 years from the date of such transfer/ lease failing which the exemption under notification from application of the Assam Agricultural Land (Regulation of Re-classification and Transfer for Non-Agricultural Purpose) Act, 2015 shall be deemed to be withdrawn.

This notification shall come into force on the date of its publication in the official Gazette.

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Memo. No. RDM-15011/283/2018-LS/REV/4-A

Dated, Dispur the 28th January, 2019

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- 1. The Director of Land Records & Surveys etc., Assam, Guwahari-32
- 2. The Director of Land Requisition Acquisition & Reforms, Assam, Rupnagar, Ghy-32
- 3. The Divisional Commissioner ......Division.
- 4. The Deputy Commissioner (All), Except BTAD & Hills Districts.
- 5. The Staff Officer to the Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur.
- 6. The Director, Printing & Stationary, Govt. Press, Bamunimaidam, Assam with a request to publish in the next issue of Assam Gazette.
- 7. The P.S. to the MoS, Revenue & DM Department, Assam
- 8. The P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary, Revenue & DM Department, Assam, Dispur.
- 9. The P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary, Power Department, Assam, Dispur.
- 10. The P.S. to the Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, Assam.

By order etc., 19

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Revenue & D.M. (S) Department

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