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To all Registered Licensed Surveyors,

Engaging Assistants by Registered Licensed Surveyors (RLSS)
In their Professional Work

The number of complaints received at the LSC against RLSS engaging Govt. Surveyors in their private surveys is ever increasing. Hence, the following policy decision was adopted by the council at its monthly meeting held on 21.04.2017.

02) It is not the wish of the LSC to be behind each and every RLS to see who the assistants they are engaging for their professional work. But if there is a complaint against the RLS then the LSC has to inquire and take suitable action.

03) Data gathering, data processing and data presentation are all considered as attributes of Land Surveying. They are interwoven and cannot be separated one from the other. All these attributes together forms a Cadastral (Property) Survey. Surveyors in their professional work are free to get the help of assistants who may be skilled at any level. But in view of sections 39(1), (2) and 44(a), (b) of the Survey Act it is advisable for RLSS to refrain from engaging Govt. Surveyors whether Registered or not in their private surveys. RLSS engaging trainee surveyors under section 39(2) of the act need to be with the knowledge of the LSC.

04) RLSS when working under the supervision of the Surveyor General or working for any Government Organization may engage RLSS to assist them provided they obtain prior authorization. They should make a note to that effect on the plan.

05) RLSS need to be especially careful when they work as court commissioners. They should not engage other surveyors to assist them unless authorized by courts. If they do, it could lead to suspicion or protests from any of the parties or the public.



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