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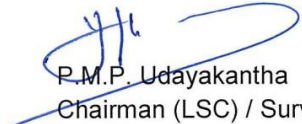
To All Registered Licensed Surveyors

Survey Plans Prepared by the RLSS for execution of “Deeds of Declaration”

There are several Complaints received at the LSC from Divisional Secretaries that RLSS have surveyed state lands, without proper investigations in to old records, for the use of their clients to get “Deeds of Declaration” executed treating those lands as private lands.

Similarly complaints from Divisional Secretaries against RLSS are ever increasing stating that the RLSS are Surveying and preparing plans for state lands with out mentioning that they are state lands and the clients make use of these plans for various fraudulent activities such as land sales treating them as private lands, obtaining permits for metal quarries felling of valuable trees for timber and so on.

RLSS as professionals, knowingly or unknowingly, should not leave room for their clients to engage in such unlawful activities making use of the survey plans prepared by them. Vide section 16.04 of the Technical Manual, RLSS are expected to do a genuine investigation to ascertain that state lands are not included in the corpus. If for some reason any state lands are included they should be sperately lotted and described in the plan as state land. Special attention is invited from the RLSS when the survey falls within or abuts finally settled areas and land marked PPP. Not only they should give reference to these plans but also they should state on their plans that they are state lands so that any layman reading the plan could see that state lands are involved, without the need to look in to those old records.


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