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To

The Principal Director, Defence Estates,
Southern/Western/Eastern/Central/Northern Command,
Pune/Chandigarh/Kolkata/Lucknow/Jammu.

Subject: Revision of Building Bye-laws

Draft Building Bye-laws of some Cantonment Boards were recently examined in the Directorate General. It was noted, *inter alia*, that certain important provisions desirable in a modern Building Regulation were not incorporated by the Boards in their draft Building Bye-laws. The Cantonment Boards, therefore, are required to be advised to make provisions for the followings while revising Building Bye-laws:-

- i) Deviations from sanctioned plan during erection or re-erection of buildings which do not constitute as illegal erection or re-erection under section 247 of the Act, should not be construed as unauthorized constructions. Such deviations should be capable of being compounded by the CEO or the Cantonment Board, as the case may be, on payment of composition fee by providing suitable provision in the Building Bye-laws.
- ii) The rain water harvesting measures should be made mandatory in a building to be erected/ re-erected where size of the plot is 500 sqm or more.
- iii) The Solar powered Geysers and security lights (if any) should be made mandatory for all buildings to be erected/ re-erected.

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iv) Where a building is to be erected/ re-erected for public purpose, as contemplated in proviso to Section 234 of the Cantonments Act, 2006 it shall be made accessible to and barrier free for the persons with disabilities.

2. Please advise Cantonment Boards under your Command to consider the above-mentioned points and incorporate appropriate provisions to give effect to them, while revising their Building Bye-laws.



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