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To

The Director,  
Military Lands and Cantonments,  
NEW DELHI

SUB: ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR THE DEFENCE SERVICES  
REFERENCES TO COURTS UNDER THE LAND ACQUISITION  
ACT, 1894

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Sir,

I am directed to say that in view of the fact that all Collectors are competent to acquire properties under the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, for the Central Government references to court of Law under Section 18 and 19 of the Act are normally made against the collectors.

2. It has, therefore, been decided that specific sanction of the Central Government for the Defence of such references is not necessary and that the expenditure incurred on these reference is to be debited to the cost of acquisition of the projects in question for which s anction of the Central Govt. is invariably issued.

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance(Defence) vide their u.o. No. 192/S/W of 1963.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- x x x x x  
(KASTURI LAL)

Under Secretary to the Govt of India.