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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE,

New Delhi, the 16th November '62.  
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To  
The Director,  
Military Lands and Cantonments,  
New Delhi. .... (70 copies).

Subject:- Sub-division etc. of sites held on Old Grant  
terms inside Civil Areas.

Sir, I am directed to say that recently some cases have come to light, where, in pursuance of the instructions contained in the late Defence Department letter No. 11890/1/D.4, of the 1st November 1941, and subsequently clarified in Military Directorate letter No. 8/17/L/L&C/52/9212-L/52, dated the 19th November 1952, some Cantonment Boards have permitted indiscriminate sub-division of sites comprising large holdings situated inside notified civil areas held on 'Old Grant' terms, without demanding leases therefor according to normal rules and have thereby, in addition to congesting the area, caused loss of considerable revenue which could have been secured had the policy been judiciously and prudently followed by insisting upon execution of leases in respect of each sub-divided portions on payment of current market rent and suitable premium.

2. Government of India have given careful consideration to the matter and have decided that hereinafter change in the use of or sub-division of a site or erection of additional buildings, in respect of old grant sites inside notified civil areas, shall not be sanctioned by a Board without the previous sanction of the Central Government. All cases not yet finalised should be dealt with accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

*K. Venugopalan*

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Under Secretary to the Government of India.

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