

To

All District Town Planners in the State (including enforcement wings).

Memo no.STP(E&V)ID/Misc-21/1257-1281

Dated: 24.05.2013

**Sub:- Recovery of demolition charges as arrear of land revenue.**

Section 12(3) of Punjab Scheduled Roads and Controlled Areas Restriction of Unregulated Development Act, 1963 (Act of 1963) and section 10(3) of Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Act, 1975 (Act of 1975) provides for recovery of expenditure incurred on giving effect to restoration orders passed under section 10(2) of Act of 1963 and section 10(2) of Act of 1975 from the offender as arrears of land revenue.

2. It is observed that substantial efforts are not being made by field offices to effect the recovery of expenditure incurred on demolition drives by resorting to provisions referred in above para. In this regard, your kind attention is also invited to instructions given during Departmental Review Meeting held on 16.04.2012 wherein all the field offices were directed to take steps for recovery of expenditure incurred on demolition drives. In spite of said instructions, no serious effort in this direction has been made by field offices which is a matter of grave concern.

3. Even non-recovery of demolition charges has been noticed by Comptroller and Auditor General of India as indicated in its audit report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012 on Social, General and Economic sectors (Non- Public Sector Undertakings)- Government of Haryana. Further it is observed that during period 2008-2012 Rs. 1,02,79,690/- were spent on demolition drives against which only Rs, 3,08,780/- have been recovered.

4. Non- recovery of demolition charges not only causes loss to State exchequer but a very effective deterrent against unauthorized colonization and construction is also lost. Recovery of demolition from the offenders would go a long way in curbing the menace of unauthorized construction and colonization in the State.

In view of above, you are directed to invariably resort to provisions of section 12(3) of Act of 1963 and Section 10 (3) of Act of 1975 to recover expenditure incurred on demolition drives from the offenders and furnished a monthly statement of expenditure incurred on demolition drives and amount recovered thereof. Such monthly statement should reach the Directorate by 5<sup>th</sup> day of every month.

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A copy is forwarded to all the Senior Town Planners in the state for information and further necessary action.

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