RDD-E003/2/2023-BUDGET BRANCH-RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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No.SMJ-6/2002-RDD-V-Loose- 12739-12750 Government of Himachal Pradesh Rural Development Department 27-SDA Complex, Shimla-171009

To,

All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.

Dated:

27 September, 2023

Subject:

Revised procedure for issuance of BPL Certificate.

Sir,

On the subject cited above, please find enclosed herewith a copy of Office Order No. RD-F (01)-1/2013 dated 22nd September 2023 issued by the Secretary (RD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for your information and with the request to ensure implementation of the directions issued by the government at the field level. The revised procedure for issuance of BPL certificate may also be brought to the notice of the general public through the Gram Panchayats.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

Signed by

Rugved Thakur

Date: 27-09-2023 22:31:40

Director (RD & PR) **Himachal Pradesh**

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2. All the Deputy Directors-cum- Project Officers, DRDAs in Himachal Pradesh.

3. All the Block Development Officers in Himachal Pradesh.

Director (RD & PR) Himachal Pradesh



Government of Himachal Pradesh Rural Development Department

No. RD-F(01)-1/2013

Dated: Shimla-02, the



22"d Sep, 2023.

OFFICE ORDER

WHEREAS, the earlier necessary instructions regarding issuance of BPL Certificate were issued vide this department Notification No. SMJ-6/2002-RDD-V dated 28.07.2008 with the provision that the BPL Certificate will be issued by the Panchayat Secretary or Panchayat Sahayak, as the case may be as per the list approved by the concerned Gram Sabha, after making proper entries in the record and will be countersigned by the Pradhan of concerned Gram Panchayat;

whereas, in meanwhile the Department of Personnel, HP has issued its instructions on 18.07.2017 vide which it was clarified that the BPL Certificate will be issued by the authority concerned on prescribed format to an applicant and to be required for recruitment purpose shall be further attested by the Block Development Officer concerned. Keeping in view of the instructions of Department of Personnel, the same has been communicated on 22.10.2018 to all the field officer for compliance; and

WHEREAS, the matter of issuance of online BPL certificate through e-district portal and also considering exclusion of provision of countersignature by Pradhan in BPL Certificate, was taken up with Department of Panchayati Raj and it has found that if the BDO is authorized for countersignature instead of Pradhan concerned, the common people will face difficulties for procuring the certificate; and

WHEREAS, the BPL Certificate is being presently issued (hard copy) in the prescribed format under the signature of Panchayat Secretary and the countersignature of the Pradhan concerned. Further, on receipt of an online application through e-district portal, the BPL Certificate is being issued online which is digitally signed by the Panchayat Secretary only; and

WHEREAS, prior to year, 2008, the issuing authority for the BPL Certificate was BDO and this provision was amended on dated 28.07.2008 vide which it was decided that the BPL Certificate will be issued by the Panchayat Secretary or Panchayat Sahayak, as the case may be, as per the BPL list (latest) approved by the Gram Sabha, after making proper entries in the record and will be countersigned by the Pradhan.

BPL Certificate be dispensed with and all the applications be made online through the e-District portal and the BPL Certificate will be provided free of charge from Panchayat Office. In case any applicant gives an offline application for obtaining the BPL Certificate, the Panchayat Secretary/Sahayak would enter it his own login to the e-District portal and give a printed certificate from his office printer, free of cost.

Besides, in case the application is submitted at the Lok Mitra Kendra, the applicant would have to bear the mandated cost to be charged for making the application and getting the certificate in his favour. Thus, no signature of Panchayat Secretary/Sahayak would be required on the BPL Certificate as the same would be generated online based on the date of BPL available on the e-Parivar application through the District platform.

(Priyatu Mandal)
Secretary (RD) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. As Above.

Dated:

the Shimla-2

22.09.2023

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2. All the Head of the Department, Himachal Pradesh.

3. The Director, Rural Development Department, HP, SDA Complex, Kasumpati, Shimla-171009.

4. All the Deputy Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh.

5. All the Block Development Officer, Himzcha! Pradesh.

(Sarjeev Kumar)
Under Secretary (RD) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.