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प्रासंगिक पत्र संलग्न कर निर्देशित किया जाता है कि भूमि विकास कार्यों हेतु जारी दिशा—निर्देशों (Advisory) की पालना सुनिश्चित करावें।

संलग्नः उपरोक्तानुसार।

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To

The Principal Secretary/Secretary/Commissioner (In charge of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS)
Rural Development Department
All States/UTs(Except Delhi & Chandigarh)

Subject: Advisory on Land Development work under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that , under Schedule I of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Section 4 (3), Para 4 (1), I: Category: A : Public works relating to Natural Resource Management:(iv) Land development works in common land and II: Category: B (Community assets or Individual assets) for vulnerable sections(only for households in Paragraph 5) ,(i) Improving productivity of lands of households specified in Paragraph 5 through land development and by providing suitable infrastructure for irrigation including dug wells, farm ponds and other water harvesting structures and (iii)Development of fallow land or waste land of household defined in Paragraph 5 to bring it under cultivation are permissible activities under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

It has been observed during the monitoring visits and enquiries made by the Central team (MoRD) to different States/UTs and from the recent Mid Term Review (MTR) meeting (2023-24) convened with the States/UTs that, large number of works under the category of "Land Development" are being taken up. Since inception, 1, 09, 37,948 works are being taken up in the rural areas of the country under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS with the work name of land development, bunding, levelling, terracing etc.

The works pertinent to Land Development category are Construction of Earthen contour Bund, Earthen peripheral Bund, Level Bench Terrace, Pebble peripheral Bund, Stone peripheral Bund, Upland Bench Terrace, Pebble contour Bund, Earthen graded Bund, Development of chaur Land, Development of Fallow Land, Drainage of Waterlogged Land, Levelling/shaping of Wasteland Land for the community and similar kind of works pertinent to individual beneficiary category. All these works are of different kinds required for different types of works according to the topography and insitu requirements. But the ultimate predicted outcome should be same i.e to convert non-cultivable land to cultivable land.

It has been mentioned in the Annual Master Circular Para 7.5.7 that, Land Development work is required to convert non-cultivable land to cultivable land through field bunding, levelling, shaping, terracing etc. The works such as removing of dry

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leaves, cutting of grasses, resizing of the existing bunds etc. should not be taken up under land development work, as these activities are not permissible under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

The works visited at the ground level do not reflect the land development work as it has been proposed as a permissible work. The execution of the land development works in many states are lagging behind the motive of the work. The States/UTs are requested to monitor these works on vigilant mode to avoid any discrepancy.

The following should be followed while taking up the land development work.

- Land development work should be taken up to convert non-cultivable land to cultivable land through field bunding, levelling, shaping, terracing etc.
- The works such as removing of dry leaves, cutting of grasses, resizing of the
 existing bunds etc. should not be taken up under land development work, as
 these activities are not permissible under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.
- The already leveled land/field should not be taken up under land development for land levelling (Generally in the low lying areas).
- The cultivable land should not be taken up under land leveling as it is a regular work of farmer.
- Field bunds should not be provided where the bund already exists.
- Land development should not be taken up for filling up any institution/office/school.
- In general, the waste land in the upper reach and some part of middle reach should be taken up for levelling, bunding etc.
- Land development should not be solely taken up for levelling the land for new building or housing projects.
- While field bunding, the excavation should be made for a maximum depth of one feet.
- Land development should not be taken up by filling of soil by carriage /transporting soil from other place.
- The developed land should be used for some kind of agriculture intervention, as it might be taken up on demand.
- The community land which is proposed for cultivation purpose should only be taken up for land development.
- The road base preparation should not be taken up under land development
- Any kind of land levelling in the infrastructure structure constructed earlier under the Scheme should not be taken up.
- Resizing of canal bunds, channels, embankment, plantation etc. work should not be taken up under land development.
- Stone bund is permissible but stone wall is not permissible under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

(Amit Kataria) Joint Secretary