

No:REV-P1/497/2024-REV

Revenue (P) Department Thiruvananthapuram, Dated:25-08-2024

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Sub: Instruction for filing timely compliance of High Court Orders/ Furnishing of Counter Affidavit - reg

Ref: Judgments/Orders of the Hon'ble High Court in various cases related to the Kerala Conservation of Paddy Land and Wetland Act.

It has come to the notice of the Government that failure in timely compliance with the judgments of the Hon'ble High Court and furnishing of Statement of Facts/Counter Affidavit on time by the sub-ordinate Offices of Revenue Department pertaining to the Kerala Conservation of Paddy land and Wetland Act, result in Contempt of Court cases being initiated against the Principal Secretary, Revenue Department even when the cause of action is not with Government but with the subordinate offices. In many such cases, the Court orders for the personal appearance of the Principal Secretary, Revenue Department.

All subordinate offices are hereby directed to ensure timely action in complying with the Court directions in case there is no scope of appeal and filing Counter Affidavits in writ petitions/writ appeals within the stipulated time to avoid adverse comments/orders from the Hon'ble Courts.

TINKU BISWAL-PRINCIPAL SECRETARY Forwarded / By order, Signed by Pradeesh Kumar M K Date: 31-08-2024 11:24:44

Section Officer.

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