SUBJECT: Rajasthan Land Revenue (Conversion of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes in Rural Areas) Rules, 2007 applicability to the areas for which a notification under section 3(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Improvement Act, 1959 has been issued.

Some Collectors have sought a clarification whether the provisions of the Rajasthan Land Revenue (Conversion of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes in Rural Areas) Rules, 2007 or the provisions of Section 90-B of the Land Revenue Act, 1956 are applicability to the areas for which a notification under section 3(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Improvement Act, 1959 has been issued. The matter has been examined and the position is clarified as follows:

The provisions of the Rajasthan Land Revenue (Conversion of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes in Rural Areas) Rules, 2007 are applicable to all areas except those to which the provisions of Section 90-B of the Land Revenue Act, 1956 are applicable. Section 90-B is applicable to the urban areas and the areas falling within the urbanisable limits or peripheral belt of an urban area. The terms "urbanisable limits" and "peripheral belt" have been defined in Explanation—III and Explanation-IV of Section 90-B as follows:

Explanation—III. For the purposes of this section "urbanisable limits" means, the urbanisable limits as indicated in the master plan or the master development plan of a city or town prepared under any law for the time being in force, and where there is no master plan or master development plan, the municipal limits of the area.
Explanation—IV. (i) For the purposes of this section, "peripheral belt" means the peripheral belt as indicated in the master plan or master development plan of a city or a town prepared under any law for the time being in force, and where there is no master plan or master development plan or where peripheral belt is not indicated in such plan, the area as may be notified by the State Government from time to time.

It is quite clear from a perusal of the above mentioned provisions that the "urbanisable limits" and "peripheral area" for the purposes of section 90-B are only those areas which have been so indicated in the master plans which have been finally published. There is nothing in Section 90-B to indicate that the provisions of this section are applicable to the areas for which a notification under section 3(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Improvement Act, 1959 has been issued.

Keeping in view the above mentioned position it is hereby clarified that the provisions of the Rajasthan Land Revenue (Conversion of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes in Rural Areas) Rules, 2007 shall be applicable to the areas for which a notification under section 3(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Improvement Act, 1959 has been issued.

You may bring this clarification to the knowledge of all concerned for ensuring compliance thereof.

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