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**OF WORK DONE IN CONNECTION WITH**  
**RESETTLEMENT OF REFUGEES**  
**ON LAND**  
**IN WEST PAKISTAN**

**PART XV**

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**Summary of the work done by the Resettlement (Land)  
Department in West Pakistan during the half  
year ended 31st December, 1955.**

CHAPTER I

IMPORTANT ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO IMPLEMENT  
THE REHABILITATION RESETTLEMENT SCHEME

It was ordered that no allotment of land to urban claimants should be made in rural areas under the Rehabilitation Resettlement Scheme and that the allotments already made should be treated as purely temporary; but should not be disturbed till their urban claims were settled. The allottees were, however, warned that if they failed to register their claims with the proper authority within the time limit their present allotments which were of a non-compensatory and temporary nature would be liable to be cancelled (Appendix I).

2. The question of the allotment of buildings situated in the evacuee gardens was considered and it was decided that where the primary object was to plant a garden and the buildings were constructed for purposes subservient and ancillary to the maintenance of the garden, the buildings should go to the allottee of the garden. In other cases where the intention was to construct a building, and fruit trees, etc., were planted to cover up the vacant area or for decorative or other purposes the garden should go to the allottee of the building. (Appendix II).

3. It was decided that all those objections for which *tatima fard*? *haqiat* had not been issued should be returned to Central Record Room for verification of Shamlat land. (Appendix III).

4. The Rehabilitation Commissioner decided that *muzarian shartia* of village Bahuwal, Tehsil Kasur, District Lahore (now forming part of Indian territory) who were paying only land revenue and cesses should be given rights similar to those of occupancy tenants under section 5(1) (a) of the Punjab Tenancy Act, while the remaining *muzarian* of this category who were paying more than the land revenue and cesses, should be granted rights under sections 6 and 8 of the Tenancy Act. (Appendix IV).

5. The Rehabilitation Commissioner ordered that the conditions applicable to the allotment of evacuee agricultural land to the claimants of refugee trusts should apply *mutatis mutandis* to the case of *muafis*. The maximum limit of allotment in the case of *muafis* should, however, be fixed at 500 produce index units. It was also decided that the allotment already made to the managers of *muafis* attached to common places (*Diwan Khanas*) and *muafidars* in excess of this limit should be revised. (Appendix V).

6. It was decided that Qismi Muazarian No. 2 should be accorded the same treatment as has been prescribed for Qismi Mazarian Nos. 3 and 5 in Punjab Government memorandum No. 4793-54/5328-R(L), dated the 31st May 1954. It was also ordered that *bandobastdaran* should be treated as occupancy tenants under section 5 (i) (a) of the Punjab Tenancy Act. (Appendix VI).

7. It was noticed that a large number of unscrupulous persons had secured allotments of evacuee land on the basis of bogus claims and forged *fard haqiat* and that it was difficult to trace out such culprits. The Rehabilitation Commissioner, therefore ordered that preference should be given to such "informers" who helped the department in unearthing cases of bogus allotments, over other claimants whether allottees or non-allottees. The incidence of preference to such persons should, however, be restricted to the particular area which is brought to light by them and allotment of which is to be cancelled. (Appendix VII).

8. It was decided that the concessions allowed to *tube marzi* tenants of the Maharajahs of Nabha, Faridkot and Kapurthala States in Punjab Government circular memorandum No. 3053/55-4360-R(L), dated the 9th



April 1955, will also apply to *ghair morusee* tenants of the Maharajahs of these States; provided that the tenants concerned fall under any of the four categories mentioned therein. (Appendix VIII).

9. It was noticed that certain Rehabilitation Courts while announcing their judgments do not sometimes give any reference to the relevant provisions of the Rehabilitation Ordinance or the instructions issued thereunder. The Rehabilitation Commissioner, therefore, ordered that the Rehabilitation Courts should invariably quote the particular provisions of the Scheme in support of their findings in each case. (Appendix IX).

10. In view of the fact that all appellate and revisional work has been transferred to the Commissioners of Divisions and Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners on account of the integration of the various Units in West Pakistan, the Rehabilitation Commissioner directed that as far as possible the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners, should not pass original orders as the Commissioners of Divisions, with all their new responsibilities in the One Unit, would not be able to cope with heavy revisional work. (Appendix X).

11. Consequent upon the decision that all appellate and revisional work connected with the rehabilitation of refugees on evacuee agricultural land should normally finish at the divisional level, all the files of the pending revisions were sent to the Commissioners and they were asked to dispose them of at an early date. (Appendix XI).

12. In order to assist the victims of the unprecedented floods of October 1955, in rebuilding or repairing their damaged houses, the Rehabilitation Commissioner, was pleased to relax the instructions regarding the felling of trees on evacuee land for three months to the following extent :—

(a) in case where the allottees have trees growing on the land allotted to them on provisional permanent basis, permission to cut trees should be granted freely in genuine cases by an Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner of and above the rank of an Additional Tehsildar/Mukhtarkar,

(b) the allottees who have trees grown on their lands cannot be compelled to give them to other persons who have no trees on their land. Where, however, a gift of this kind is made voluntarily, there should be no objection to the felling of trees by the persons other than the allottees concerned after the verification by and with the explicit permission of the Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner,

(c) if the trees are growing on unallotted land, the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioner may allow deserving persons to cut these trees strictly according to requirements. (Appendix XII).

13. In view of the fact that many villages were entirely washed away by the high floods of 1955 and that floods have assumed the nature of an annual calamity for them, the Rehabilitation Commissioner was pleased to decide that refugee allottees of evacuee land in such villages might be resettled in other parts of their respective districts if evacuee agricultural land was available. It was also directed that, if possible, land should also be provided for village abadis as well and that these flood affected refugees be given priority over those whose claims have been transferred from congested districts. (Appendix XIII).

14. After the formation of One Unit, the Commissioners of Divisions in the integrating units other than the former Punjab were asked to intimate the formula adopted in the areas under their charge for evaluating evacuee land. In case, the formula adopted in those areas was different from that of the Punjab they were requested to suggest suitable produce indices for the various classes of land separately for each assessment circle of the various districts calculated on the basis of the formula adopted by the former Punjab. (Appendix XIV).

15. The Rehabilitation Commissioner ordered that on the Punjab pattern booklets called the "Land Measures" and "Jantri" should also be



prepared for districts other than those included in the former Punjab if it had not already been done. (Appendix XV).

16. Some confusion prevailed in regard to the interpretation of the provisions contained in clause 7 of Chapter II, Part I of the Rehabilitation Resettlement Scheme. The Rehabilitation Commissioner, therefore, clarified the position and ordered that the land owned by a refugee mortgagee in Pakistan should not be taken into consideration for purposes of reckoning the concession which accrues to mortgagees from the application of the said clause. (Appendix XVI).

## CHAPTER II

### INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING TEMPORARY REHABILITATION AND OTHER ALLIED MATTERS.

17. A general policy was laid down and instructions issued to the local officers in regard to the allotment of brick kilns in rural areas in Punjab Government circular memorandum No. 9549-55/8661-R(L), dated the 9th August 1955. (Appendix XVII).

18. It was noticed that in spite of the certificates issued by the Central Record Room in favour of refugees that they owned land in India, their temporary allotments were being cancelled by the local officers and such land allotted to other persons. The Rehabilitation Commissioner, therefore, reminded the local officers that due regard should be paid to these certificates and the temporary allotments made to the refugees on the basis of these certificates should not be cancelled till their claims had been finally verified. (Appendix XVIII).

19. The Rehabilitation Commissioner also ordered that in future in all cases where the Central Record Room certifies to the inaccuracy of records received from India the corresponding temporary allotments should not be cancelled unless and until the final verification had been done by the Central Record Room and intimation sent to the local officers. (Appendix XIX).

## CHAPTER III

### PROGRESS OF RESETTLEMENT OPERATIONS IN THE FIELD AND AT HEADQUARTERS.

Progressive figures of resettlement work in the Province are only available up to 30th September 1955, in respect of the half year under report and those too relate entirely to the former Punjab. After the formation of One Unit no figures have so far been furnished by the Commissioners of Divisions. Up to the 30th September 1955, 1,153,423 claim forms were finally settled in the former Punjab covering an area of 3,537,806 acres of evacuee agricultural land out of a total No. of 1,213,122 claim forms registered in that area. The disposal of claim forms finally settled in the Punjab has increased to 95 per cent as compared with 92 per cent during the preceding half year. In addition to this 15,605 claim forms were settled during the period under report at preliminary stage involving an area of 111,771 acres of land.

During the half year under report, the Central Record Room verified 13,622 claim forms and 17,147 objections. So far as up-to-date progress is concerned, Central Record Room has so far verified 1,172,016 old claim forms in respect of the former Punjab. In addition to that new claim forms and objections as detailed below have also been verified :—

	<i>Claims</i>	<i>Objections</i>
Punjab	.. 175,620 (New)	554,211
Bahawalpur	.. 65,364	8,179
Sind	.. 31,783	3,142
Baluchistan	.. 90	5
Khairpur	.. 570	126
N.-W.F.P.	.. 317	..



During the half year ending 31st December 1955, 109 special jamabandis awaited from India were received and registers of right holders in respect of all these jamabandis were accordingly prepared. Out of 20,368 jamabandis requisitioned from India 19,202 have so far been received. 1,166 are, however, still awaited and efforts are being made to obtain them from Indian authorities. Similarly out of 308 urban jamabandis of agreed areas called for from India, 296 have since been received.

Comparison of revenue record on the Wagah border also continued and 667 jamabandis were presented by the Indian authorities for comparison during the period under review. Comparison of entries in respect of 11,356 jamabandis is still required to be done.

The Central Record Room also supplies copies of entries relating to lambardari and of *shajra nasab*. Out of 2,435 applications copies in respect of 2,334 cases were supplied during the half year under report. Similarly 6,386 applications for inspection of jamabandis were also disposed of during this period.

18. It was noted that in spite of the difficulties faced by the Central Record Room in layout of registers that they were found to be in temporary allotments were being cancelled by the local officers and such land allotted to other persons. The Rehabilitation Commission therefore requested the local officers that any request should be paid to these officers and the temporary allotments made in the registers on the basis of these certificates should not be cancelled till their claims had been finally settled. (Appendix XVII)

19. The Rehabilitation Commission also advised that in order to all cases when the Central Record Room refers to the district records received from India the corresponding temporary allotments should not be cancelled unless and until the final verification had been done by the Central Record Room and intimation sent to the local officers. (Appendix XVIII)

STATISTICS

Progress in Settlement Operations in the Punjab and West Punjab

Progressive figures of settlement work in the Punjab are only available up to 30th September 1955, in respect of the half year under report and those too relate entirely to the former Punjab. After the formation of One Unit no figures have so far been furnished by the Commissioner of West Punjab. Up to the 30th September 1955, 1,108,121 acres were finally settled in the former Punjab covering an area of 5,533,700 acres all over the agricultural land out of a total 70% of 1,518,122 acres were registered in that area. The disposal of claim forms finally settled in the Punjab has increased to 95 per cent as compared with 82 per cent during the preceding half year. In addition to the 10,000 claim forms were settled during the period under report at settlement camps involving an area of 1,771 acres of land.

During the half year under report, the former Punjab Districts received 18,022 claim forms and 17,447 objections. The former Punjab Districts received 18,022 claim forms and 17,447 objections. In addition to the new claim forms in respect of the former Punjab, the Rehabilitation Commission also received objections as detailed below hereafter in an attached table.

Province	Claim	Objections
Punjab	1,108,121	17,447
West Punjab	0	0
East Punjab	0	0
Other States	0	0
Total	1,108,121	17,447



## APPENDIX I

*Memorandum No. 5398-55/7523-R(L), dated Lahore, the 7th July 1955.*

*From—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.*

*To—(1) All Deputy Commissioners and Additional Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) The Thal Development Officer, Jauharabad; (3) The Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, and (4) The Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.*

*Subject—Allotment of urban agricultural land.*

*Reference—Punjab Government memorandum No. 5524-55/6013-R (L), dated the 19th May, 1955.*

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has observed that allotment of land to urban claimants are not to be made in the rural areas under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme. The allotments made to the urban claimants in the rural areas should, therefore, be treated as purely temporary, but should not be disturbed till the decision of their urban claims which they are now required to submit for registration. The allottees concerned should, however, be warned that if their claims for urban allotments are not registered within the permissible time limit, the present allotments which are of a non-compensatory and temporary nature, will be liable to be cancelled.

*No. 5398-55/7524-R(L)*

Copies are forwarded to all Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab, for information.

## APPENDIX II

*Memorandum No. 12987-54/8109-R(L), dated Lahore, the 23rd July, 1955.*

*From—Inayat Ullah, Esquire, C. S. P., Additional Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) and Deputy Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.*

*To—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) Thal Development Officer, Jauharabad, (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.*

*Subject—Allotment of buildings situated in evacuee gardens.*

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

The question of allotment of buildings situated in evacuee gardens allotted to refugees has been engaging the attention of the Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) for some time past. After careful consideration he has been pleased to decide that where the primary objection was to plant a garden and the buildings were constructed for purposes subservient and ancillary to the maintenance of the garden, the buildings should go to the allottee of the garden. In other cases where the primary intention was to construct a buildings and to cover up the vacant area by planting fruit trees, etc., for decorative or other purposes, the garden should go to the allottee of the building.

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) considers that after a careful local enquiry it should not be difficult to reach a decision in each indivi-



dual case on the lines indicated above. You are, therefore, requested to decide such cases accordingly.

### APPENDIX III

*Memorandum No. 5455-55/8426-R(L), dated Lahore, the 4th August 1955.*

*From*—S.A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All the Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, (3) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan; (4) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali.

*Subject*—Tatimmah fardat haqiat in respect of Shamlat areas.

In partial supersession of the instructions contained in paragraph 2 of Punjab Government circular memorandum No. 10606-54/8135-R(L), dated the 21st September, 1954, the Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab, has decided that all those objections for which Tatimmah Fardat Haqiat have not yet been issued should now be returned. You are, therefore, requested to please forward all such objections to the Central Record Room for verification of the Shamlat areas.

### APPENDIX IV

*Memorandum No. 10-55/8433-R(L), dated Lahore, the 4th August, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) and Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies, Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali, (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation Resettlement Scheme—Compensation to *Muzarian Shartia*.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab, is pleased to decide that the *muzarian shartia* of village Bahuwal, Tehsil Kasur, District Lahore (now forming part of the Indian territory (who were paying only land revenue and cesses should be given rights under section 5(1) (a) of the Tenancy Act while the remaining *Muzarian* of this category who were paying more than the land revenue and cesses should be granted rights under sections 6 and 8 of the Tenancy Act.

2. An amendment to this effect is being made in clause 37(2) of Chapter I, Part II of the Rehabilitation Resettlement Scheme.

*No. 1055/8434-R(L)*

A COPY is forwarded, for information, to—

(1) All Commissioners of Divisions in the Punjab.

(2) Officer on Special Duty (Central Record Room), Financial Commissioner's Office, Lahore.



## APPENDIX V

Memorandum No. 17-54/8532-R(L), dated Lahore, the 6th August, 1955.

From—Inayat Ullah, Esquire, C. S. P., Additional Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), and Deputy Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

To—(1) All Deputy Commissioners, in the Punjab; (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali, (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

Subject—Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Compensation to *muafidars* thereunder.

Reference—(1) Punjab Government circular memorandum No. 9368-R(L), dated the 6th December, 1951, (2) This office circular memorandum No. 10684-53/6473-R(L), dated the 8th July, 1954.

I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has ordered that the conditions applicable to the allotment of evacuee agricultural land to the claimant of refugees trusts should apply *mutatis mutandis* in the case of *muafis*. The maximum limit of allotment in the case of *muafis* is, however, fixed at 500 produce index units. The allotments above the prescribed limits in the case of Trusts and *muafis* should not be recommended unless these have been properly constituted in the Punjab (Pakistan).

2. The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has further ordered that the allotments made to the managers of *muafis* attached to common places (Diwan Khanas) and *muafidars* in accordance with the instructions circulated with Punjab Government memorandum No. 9368-R(L), dated the 6th December 1951, and this office memorandum No. 10684-53/6473-R(L), dated the 8th July 1954, respectively, should be revised accordingly and the excess areas withdrawn from these allottees.

No. 17-54/8533-R(L).

A copy is forwarded to—

- (1) All Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab, for information;
- (2) All Additional Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab, for information and necessary action;
- (3) Officer on Special Duty (Central Record Room), Financial Commissioners' Office, Punjab, Lahore, for information,

with reference to circular endorsement No. 9369-R(L), dated the 6th December 1951 (for (1) only) and this office circular endorsement No. 10684-53/6474-R(L), dated the 8th July 1954 (for (1) to (3)).

## APPENDIX VI

Memorandum No. 276-55/8790-R(L), dated Lahore, the 16th August, 1955.

From—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners (Land), and Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Sialkot.

Subject—Rehabilitation Resettlement Scheme Allotment thereunder to *qismi muzarian*.

Reference—Continuation of Punjab Government memorandum No. 4793-54/5328-R(L), dated the 31st May, 1954.

I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab, is pleased to order that *qismi muzarian* No. 2 should be accorded the same treatment



as has been prescribed for *qismi muzarian* Nos. 3 and 5 in Punjab Government memorandum under reference.

2. It has further been decided that *bandobast-daran* should be treated as occupancy tenants under section 5(1) (a) of the Tenancy Act.

No. 276-55/8791-R(L).

A copy is forwarded, for information and guidance, to—

- (1) All Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab;
- (2) all Deputy Commissioners and Additional Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab, except Deputy Commissioner, Sialkot;
- (3) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali;
- (4) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan;
- (5) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan;
- (6) Officer on Special Duty (Central Record Room), Financial Commissioners' Office, Lahore;

in continuation of Punjab Government endorsement No. 4793-5329-R(L), dated the 31st May, 1954.

## APPENDIX VII

*Memorandum No. 10668-55/9165-R(L), dated Lahore, the 26th August, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), and Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) The Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (3) The Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan, (4); The Thal Development Officer, Mianwali.

*Subject*—Allotment of evacuee land to the informers who unearth cases of bogus allotment.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has noted that there is a large number of unscrupulous persons who have secured allotment of evacuee land in this Province on the basis of bogus claims and forged *farde-haqqayat* with the result that the land intended for genuine refugees has been secured fraudulently by others. It is considered that the task of tracing out such persons is not an easy one and, therefore, merits appreciation. The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) is, therefore, pleased to order that in the matter of allotment of evacuee land to refugees, preference should be given to such "INFORMERS" who help the Rehabilitation Department (Land) in unearthing cases of bogus allotments, over claimants whether allottees or non-allottees. The incidence of preference to such persons should, however, be restricted to the particular area which is brought to light by them and allotment of which is to be cancelled—having been secured in a fraudulent manner.



## APPENDIX VIII

*Memorandum No. 8083-55/9886-R(L), dated Lahore, the 28th September, 1955.*

*From*—Inayat Ullah, Esquire, C. S. P., Additional Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) and Deputy Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali; (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Compensation to “Ghair Morusi” tenants of Nabha, Faridkot and Kapurthala States thereunder.

*Reference*—In continuation of Punjab Government Circular memorandum No. 3053-55/4360-R(L), dated the 9th April, 1955.

*I. U. Khan Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

It has been decided that the concession allowed to *tabe marzi* tenants of the Maharajas of Nabha, Faridkot and Kapurthala States,—*vide* Punjab Government circular memorandum under reference will also apply to “Ghair Morusi” tenants of the Maharajas of these States provided the tenants concerned fall under any of the four categories mentioned therein.

*No. 8083-55/9887-R(L)*

A copy is forwarded to —

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| (1) All Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab, for information, | } for information and<br>necessary action, |
| (2) All Additional Deputy Commissioners }<br>in the Punjab,        |                                            |
| (3) Officer on Special Duty (Central Record Room) Lahore.          |                                            |

in continuation of Punjab Government endorsement No. 3053-94/4361-R(L), dated the 9th April, 1955.

## APPENDIX IX

*Memorandum No. 13721-55/10159-R(L), dated Lahore, the 10th October, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) and Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab-Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali; (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation settlement of refugees on land—Quoting of relevant provisions of the Rehabilitation Ordinance or instructions issued thereunder in judgments by the Rehabilitation Courts.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

It has been brought to the notice of the Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) that the Rehabilitation courts while announcing their judgments do not sometimes give any reference to the relevant provisions of the Rehabilitation Ordinance or the instructions issued thereunder in their decisions. The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has ordered that the Rehabilitation courts should invariably quote the particular provisions of the scheme in support of their findings in each case.

2. The above instructions should be brought to the notice of all concerned for careful guidance and strict compliance.



No. 13721-55/10160-R(L)

Copies are forwarded to :—

- (1) All Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab, for information.
- (2) All Additional Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab, for information and guidance.

APPENDIX X

Memorandum No. 14832-55/10751-R(L), dated Lahore, the 1st November, 1955.

From—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.

To—All the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners in West Pakistan.

Subject—Powers to hear revisions in favour of Commissioners of divisions and Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners.

I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner, West Pakistan.

With a view to enabling the Rehabilitation Commissioner to exercise effective control over the Rehabilitation work in the new Province of West Pakistan and affording relief to the public who would otherwise have to travel long distances for the redress of their grievances, it has been decided that all appellate and revisional work should normally finish at the divisional level. The Central Government have accordingly been approached to delegate powers to hear revisions in favour of the Commissioners of divisions and the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners where they have been appointed and the orders in this respect will be communicated separately.

2. In this connection it is explained that generally original orders were passed by the Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioners and appeals were heard by the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner. But there might be a few cases in which appeals may have to be heard by the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners against the original orders passed by the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners. Revision in such cases, which would be very rare, will now have to be heard by the Divisional Commissioner.

3. The Rehabilitation Commissioner has, therefore, directed that as far as possible the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners should not pass original orders as the Commissioners of divisions with all their new responsibilities would not be able to cope with heavy revisional work.

4. The Rehabilitation Commissioner will, however, continue to exercise his inherent powers vested in him under the Pakistan (Rehabilitation) Ordinance, 1948.

No. 14832-55/10752-R(L)

Copies are forwarded to —

- (1) Secretary to Government, West Pakistan, Refugees and Rehabilitation Department, Lahore;
- (2) all the Commissioners of divisions in West Pakistan, and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan;
- (3) additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Hyderabad, Bahawalpur, Multan, Lahore and Peshawar;

or information.



## APPENDIX XI

*Memorandum No. 14832-55/10753-R(L), dated Lahore, the 1st November, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.

*To*—All the Commissioners of Divisions in West Pakistan, and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan.

*Subject*—Powers to hear revisions in favour of the Commissioners of Divisions and Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner, West Pakistan.*

With a view to enabling the Rehabilitation Commissioner to exercise effective control over the rehabilitation work in the new Province of West Pakistan and affording relief to the public who would otherwise have to travel long distance for the redress of their grievances, it has been decided that all appellate and revisional work should normally finish at the divisional level. The Central Government have accordingly been approached to delegate powers to hear revisions in favour of the Commissioners of divisions and the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners where they have been appointed and the orders in this respect will be communicated separately.

2. In the meantime, all the files of the pending revisions are being sent to you separately. You should please see that all these pending files are disposed of at an early date. In this connection it is explained that generally original orders were passed by the Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner, but there might be a few cases in which appeals may have to be heard by the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners against the original orders passed by the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners. Revisions in such cases, which would be very rare, will now have to be heard by the Divisional Commissioner. Instructions are however being issued separately that as far as possible Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners should not pass original orders to enable the Divisional Commissioners to exercise superintendence and general control within their respective divisions.

3. A statement showing the monthly progress of cases requiring disposal, disposed of, and pending at the close of each month explaining, where necessary the reasons for delay should please be submitted separately by the Commissioners of divisions and Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners by the 10th of each month succeeding the one to which it relates.

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No. 14832-55/10754-R(L)

Copies are forwarded to :—

- (1) Secretary to Government, West Pakistan, Refugees and Rehabilitation Department, Lahore, for information.
- (2) Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Hyderabad, Bahawalpur, Multan, Lahore and Peshawar, for information and guidance.
- (3) All the Deputy Commissioners in the West Pakistan, for information.



## APPENDIX XII

*Memorandum No. 16150-55/11281-R(L), dated Lahore, the 18th November, 1955.*

*From—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.*

*To—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the West Pakistan, (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali; (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.*

*Subject—Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Cutting of trees out of the area allotted thereunder.*

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner, West Pakistan.*

Under the existing instructions trees growing in the area allotted under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme can be removed by the allottees without permission, if such trees are required for genuine agricultural purposes. If, however, the trees are required for purposes other than agriculture, it is necessary for the allottees to obtain the permission of the local Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land).

2. In order to assist the victims of the recent floods in re-building or repairing their damaged houses, the Rehabilitation Commissioners are pleased to relax these instructions regarding the felling of trees on evacuee land to the extent indicated below—

(a) *Allottees who have trees growing on the land allotted to them under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Permission to cut trees should be freely granted in genuine cases by the Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) of and above the rank of an Additional Tahsildar/Mukhtiarkar who should, if possible, visit the spot with a view to verifying the facts.*

(b) *Allottees who have no trees growing on the land allotted to them under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—It will be realised that the allottees who have trees growing on their lands cannot be compelled to give them to the allottees who have no trees standing on their lands. Where, however, a gift of this kind is made voluntarily, there should be no objection to the felling of trees by the persons other than the allottees concerned after due verification by and with the explicit permission of Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), of and above the rank of an Additional Tahsildar/Mukhtiarkar.*

(c) *Trees growing on non-allotted evacuee lands—Such trees may be allowed to be used strictly according to requirements by the Assistant Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) of the rank specified in the preceding item on an application to both allottees under Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme, and temporary allottees for the purpose in question only.*

3. The relaxation in the existing rules should be permitted for a period of three months from the date of these orders.

4. It should be ensured that all applications of the nature in question are dealt with expeditiously.

*No. 16150-55 11282-R(L),*

Copies are forwarded to—

- (1) Secretary to Government, West Pakistan, Refugees and Rehabilitation Department, Lahore.
- (2) All Commissioners of divisions in West Pakistan, and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan Division.
- (3) Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Peshawar, Lahore, Multan, Bahawalpur, and Hyderabad, for information.



## APPENDIX XIII

*Memorandum No. 14765-55/11652-R(L), dated Lahore, the 28th November, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan, Lahore.

*To*—(1) The Commissioners of Lahore, Multan and Bahawalpur Divisions, (2) The Deputy Commissioners, Lahore, Gujranwala, Sheikhpura, Sialkot, Multan, Lyallpur, Montgomery, Jhang, Muzaffargarh, Dera Ghazi Khan, Bahawalpur and Rahimyar Khan, (3) The Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation of the residence of villages devastated by floods.

It has been noticed that many villages in the reverain areas have been devastated and wiped out by the recent heavy floods in the Ravi and Sutlej rivers and fertile lands have been rendered uncultivable. In view of the fact that floods have now become very common the residence of these villages have represented that they should be saved from this annual claimity by being settled in other parts of the district. The Rehabilitation Commissioner has, therefore, been pleased to decide that the refugees allottees of evacuees land in such villages may be settled in other parts of their respective districts if evacuee agricultural land is available. Such exchanges are permissible under clause 13 of the Rehabilitation, Settlement Scheme and you are devised to make liberal use of these provisions. If possible, they should also be provided land for village abadies. It has also been decided that the settlement of the floods-affected refugees should be given priority over these refugees whose claims have been transferred from congested areas.

*To the Commissioner, Lahore Division, only*—This disposes of your communication noted in the margin.

D. O. letter No. 122-55/51, dated 21st October 1955.

## APPENDIX XIV

*Memorandum No. 16884-55/11999-R(L), dated Lahore, the 6th December, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.

*To*—The Commissioners, Peshawar, Bahawalpur, Khairpur, Hyderabad, Quetta and Kalat Divisions and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan Division.

*Subject*—Produce indices.

In the former Punjab, allotments of evacuee agricultural land on *quasi*-permanent basis were made to refugee claimants in an area corresponding in produce value to the land owned and abandoned by them in the prescribed territories of India. The basic idea underlying the grant of such allotments was not to compensate the refugees for losses sustained by them but to provide them with an area of land which with normal deligence and prudence, would, in time, afford the resources of a permanent nature equivalent in value to those abandoned in the prescribed areas of India. With a view to facilitating the determination of the extent to which each refugees right holder could be considered as entitled, produce indices were worked out for the various classes of soil in the various assessment circles of the agreed areas of India and the former Punjab. These produce indices represented the annual gross produce value per acre of land for each class of soil in the various assessment circles on both sides (India and the former Punjab). The produce, indices so worked out on the basis of the material available in the Assessment Reports of the tracts concerned were printed in the form of a booklet which was supplied to the field staff in the former Punjab for their use and guidance.



2. As the method of evaluating various classes of evacuee land in the integrating units of West Pakistan, other than the former Punjab, is not known, the Member, Board of Revenue (Rehabilitation), would like you kindly to intimate if any produce indices had been determined in regard to the evacuee areas of your divisions which were outside the former Punjab, and, if so, whether the same were supplied to the field staff, for guidance. A copy of the produce indices, if any, prepared may kindly be supplied to this Board. If, however, no produce indices were prescribed, it is requested that the manner in which the land was evaluated may please be stated.

3. If the formula adopted for evaluating evacuee areas under your charge was different from the one adopted by the former Punjab, the Member, Board of Revenue (Rehabilitation) would like you kindly to suggest suitable produce indices for the various classes of land, separately for each assessment circle of the various districts. These produce indices should please be calculated on the basis of the formula adopted by the former Punjab as indicated in paragraph (1) above.

4. As the question is one of extreme urgency, it shall be appreciated, if the matter is dealt with "Top Priority" and the necessary information is furnished not later than the 30th December, 1955.

No. 16884-55/12000-R(L)

A copy is forwarded, for information and necessary action, to the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Peshawar, Bahawalpur and Hyderabad.

APPENDIX XV

*Memorandum No. 16884-55/12001-R(L), dated Lahore, the 6th  
December 1955.*

*From—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.*

*To—The Commissioners, Peshawar, Bahawalpur, Khairpur, Hyderabad, Quetta and Kalat Divisions, and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan Division.*

*Subject—Land Measures.*

As is known, land measures in various parts of the undivided Punjab and other agreed areas of India and Pakistan differ from place to place, and in order to determine precisely the extent of each claimant's right for the allotment of land, it was essential to convert areas into standard units of measures viz., acres. To facilitate such a conversion therefore, the Resettlement (Land) Department of the former Punjab prepared and supplied to the field staff two booklets in Urdu called "Land Measures" and "Jantri" (Copies enclosed for information).

2. It is requested that, if similar information was compiled for the guidance of the field staff in your Division for districts other than those included in the former Punjab, a copy of the same may be supplied for the information of the Member, Board of Revenue (Rehabilitation). In case this was not done, you may please intimate how areas were converted into standard acres for the purpose of facilitating allotments in favour of refugee claimants.

3. You are further requested to please work out and compile, if not already done, similar information on the pattern of the former Punjab booklets mentioned in paragraph (1) above, and submit the same to this Board for getting the same printed.

4. As the matter is of great urgency, it would be appreciated if your reply is furnished by 30th December, 1955, at the latest.

No. 16884-55/12002-R(L)

A COPY is forwarded, for information and necessary action, to the Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Peshawar, Bahawalpur and Hyderabad.



## APPENDIX XVI

*Memorandum No. 7008-55/12101-R(L), dated, Lahore the 8th December, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary, Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.

*To*—(1) Deputy Commissioners, Lahore, Sialkot, Gujranwala, Sheikhupura, Gujrat, Shahpur, Jhelum, Rawalpindi, Attock, Mianwali, Montgomery, Lyallpur, Jhang, Multan, Muzaffargarh and Dera Ghazi Khan, (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali, (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Allotment of land to such mortgages, who also owned land in Pakistan, thereunder.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner.*

Some confusion prevails in certain districts in regard to the interpretation of the provisions contained in clause 7 of Chapter II, Part I of the Printed Scheme so far as it relates to the determination of the rights of such mortgages who also owned land in Pakistan. The Rehabilitation Commissioner has decided that in the strict interpretation of clause 7 mentioned above the land owned by a refugee in Pakistan is not to be taken into consideration for the purposes of reckoning the concessions which accrues to mortgages from the application of the said clause.

*No. 7008-55/12102-R(L)*

COPIES are forwarded, for information, to:—

- (1) Secretary to Government, West Pakistan, Refugees and Rehabilitation Department, Lahore.
- (2) All Commissioners of Divisions in West Pakistan and Additional Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan Division.
- (3) Additional Rehabilitation Commissioners, Peshawar, Lahore, Multan, Bahawalpur, and Hyderabad.
- (4) Deputy Commissioners, Peshawar, Mardan, Hazara, Dera Ismail Khan, Bannu, Kohat, Bahawalpur, Bahawalnagar, Khairpur, Jacobabad, Sukkur, Larkana, Nawabshah, Hyderabad, Thatta, Dadu, Mirpurkhas, Sanghar, Quetta, Zhob, Loralai, Sibi, Kalat, Makran, Las Bela, Kharan and Chagai.

## APPENDIX XVII

*Memorandum No. 9549-55/8661-R(L), dated Lahore, the 9th August, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), and Under-Secretary to Government, Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab, (2) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali, (3) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, (4) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan.

*Subject*—Allotment of evacuee brick kilns in rural areas.

*Reference*—Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land)'s endorsement No. 9412-R(L), dated the 12th November, 1953.

*I. U. Khan, Esquire, C. S. P., Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.*

In supersession of all previous orders on the subject, the Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) directs that the following policy shall be applied forthwith to the allotment of evacuee brick kilns in rural areas:—

(i) *Allotment Policy*—The original policy laid down by the Rehabilitation Commissioner (General), in paras. 5 and 6 of his circular letter No.



2300-Reh-49/1676, dated the 10th March, 1949 (Extract copy enclosed for ready reference prescribes *inter alia* that —

- (a) Brick kilns will be allotted by the local Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners.
- (b) Application form should bear court fee stamps to the value of Rs. 10, (*vide* rule 10-A (iv) of the Pakistan Rehabilitation Rules).
- (c) A prescribed order of priority will be observed in making allotment according to which refugees who owned brick kilns in the prescribed area will receive first consideration.
- (d) Allotments will be made for renewable annual periods up to five years, subject to cancellation without notice for misconduct, or two months notice before the close of the current annual period if and when refugee claimants with a higher priority can replace an allottee with an inferior claim.

This policy will continue to apply with the exception that manuscript applications on stamped paper may be entertained.

(ii) *Fixation of Rent*—An appropriate rate of rent for each kiln *excluding the land for the extraction of clay* will be fixed by the local Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioners (Land) *subject to minimum annual rental of Rs. 100*. Such rent should not be based on the production of bricks by a particular kiln but should be determined in view of the prevailing rents for similar sites in the locality.

(iii) *Allotment and rent of land for the extraction of clay*—It should be clearly understood that only such land as was previously used for the extraction of clay and recorded as *ghair mumkin bhatta* will go with each kiln. Rent will be charged separately for this area at the rate of three or six times the land revenue as the case may be.

Any attempt on the part of the allottee of brick kilns to obtain additional evacuee land for the extraction of clay must be firmly discouraged and they should be left to make their own arrangements to obtain clay from whatever non-evacuee source they can.

(iv) *Rent deposits*—Rent from both sources (ii) and (iii) above will be deposited under the existing head of account for evacuee receipts in the Central Section of Accounts.

(v) *Conditions of Allotment*—The Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) will issue a regular allotment order embodying all the conditions of the form enclosed to every allottee of a brick kiln.

2. Any difficulty experienced in the practical application of the policy outlined above should be reported in detail for the orders of the Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land), Punjab.

No. 9549-55/8662-R(L)

A COPY is forwarded, for information to :—

- (1) All Commissioners of Divisions in the Punjab.
- (2) Rehabilitation Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Punjab, Rehabilitation Department.

*Extract copy of paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Punjab Government Policy letter No. 2300-Reh-49/1676, dated the 18th March, 1949, from the Rehabilitation Commissioner (General) and Secretary to Government, Punjab, Refugees and Rehabilitation Department, to all Deputy Commissioners in the West Punjab.*

5. *Unregistered factories*—consist mostly of small flour mills, saw-mills, brick kilns and petty workshops and undertakings. The principles elucidated in paragraph 2 above in regard to refugees shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to unregistered factories as well. The allotment of unregistered factories has been in a confused state for in some cases the Deputy Commissioners made the allotments, in others Rationing Controllers, in yet others, especially in rural area. Revenue Assistants and Sub-Divisional



Officers; while at Lahore allotments were made by the Director of Industries. In future all unregistered factories except those to be allotted by the Provincial Allotment Tribunal (e.g. ice factories), will be allotted by the local Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner. All applications shall be on prescribed form No. Reh. VI (Appendix A) affixed with a stamp of the value of Rs. 10. In accordance with the recently issued Press Note, all applications for unregistered factories will have to be made to the Deputy Rehabilitation Commissioner of the district by the 31st May, 1949.

6. The following order of priority shall be observed:—

- (i) Refugees who prove that they have owned factories of the same kind in East Punjab or prescribed areas. Inter as their priority will be according to the strength of proof which is likely to vary from documentary proof (registered deeds, etc.,) to there being reasonable grounds for believing that they owned such factories.
- (ii) Refugees who owned factories of the same size and income but of different kind (priority *inter se* again in accordance with strength of proof).
- (iii) Refugees who did not own factories in India but who were duly allotted un-registered factories in West Punjab without fraud or malpractice and repaired them at considerable expense.
- (iv) Other refugees.
- (v) Locals.

Persons falling under categories (i) and (ii) should on making applications in the prescribed Form (Reh. VI) be confirmed in their allotments on the printed allotment Forms which will be sent shortly. It is intended that the allotments will be for the full period of 5 years, subject to the conditions of allotment order. Any partners imposed on these categories of allottees should be removed unless the factories concerned are much larger and yielding a substantially higher income than those left behind by the allottees in the latter case only the portion in excess of what the refugees allottee left behind should be allotable to anyone else. In the case of category, (iii) allotments should not be disturbed except for good reasons and on an equitable basis. Those falling under category (iv) should on application have their allotments confirmed for renewable annual periods up to 5 years subject to cancellation without notice for mismanagement or non-compliance with conditions, or on 2 months notice being given before the close of a current annual period if and when unrehabilitated refugee claimants of higher category are forthcoming. Unregistered factories allotted to locals of category (v) should be left with them on a temporary basis, subject to one month's notice and efficient management) until deserving refugees are forthcoming.

Undertakings falling in categories (iv) and (v) above should be recorded in a separate register and intimation sent to the Rehabilitation Commissioner (General), who will ensure that all unprovided refugees in other districts who owned similar factories, are given a chance. Similarly any deserving applications falling in categories (i) and (ii) which remain unsatisfied after the ejection of allottees of categories (iv) and (v) should be reported to the Rehabilitation Commissioner for grants in other districts where there may be some scope, before allottees in category (iii) are dispossessed.

#### CONDITIONS OF ALLOTMENT FOR EVACUEE BRICK KILNS IN RURAL AREA.

1. Rent at the rate of Rs.—per annum will be charged for the use of kiln and will be payable in advance each year.
2. In addition to the above the allottee shall pay, half-yearly, the sum of Rs.———equivalent to three/six times the land revenue of———acres———kanals———Marlas of land attached to the kiln for the extraction of clay.



3. The allottee will be regarded as a tenant-at-will in respect of the kiln and the allotment will be renewable annually for a period upto five years.

*Provided* that the allotment will be liable to cancellation without notice for the non-payment of Government dues, or mis-managements or any other non-compliance of the conditions of allotment and further that two month's notice in writing will be given before the close of a current annual period if and when an unrehabilitated refugee claimant enjoying is higher priority than the allottee applies for the allotment of the kiln.

4. All transfers of rights, etc., in this allotment will be null and void. After the death of the allottee his heirs and successors will be recognised as an allottee in the normal manner.

5. The allottee will not be entitled to any compensation on the cancellation and termination of the lease but he may be permitted to remove such structures as may have been installed by him after the full and of all Government dues.

6. No land which was not used previously as a brick kiln or for the extraction of clay for the preparation of bricks will be so utilized by the allottees.

7. The rent should be deposited under the existing head of account for evacuee receipts in the Central Section of Accounts, and the date of deposit every year will be the same as the one on which the allottees deposited the rent for the first year.

8. The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) reserves the right of making a change in the above conditions at any time without notice.

#### APPENDIX XVIII

*Memorandum No. 8843-55/8792-R(L), dated Lahore, the 16th August, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary to Government Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All the Deputy Commissioners and Additional Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab, (2) Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan, (3) Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan, (4) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali.

*Subject*—Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme—Reservation of areas for refugees whose claims have not been verified.

*Reference*—In continuation of Punjab Government circular memorandum No. 12030-54/8839-R(L), dated the 14th October, 1954.

It has been reported that despite the fact that the Central Record Room issues certificates intimating that some area still exists in the name of the claimants local officers cancel the relevant temporary allotments and allot the some area to other claimants under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme. This causes undue hardship and inconvenience to poor deserving refugees claimants. It is, therefore, requested that due regard should be paid to the certificates of land issued by the Central Record Room, and the temporary allotments held by such claimants should not be cancelled till the final verification of their claim forms has been done.

*No. 8843-55/8793-R(L)*

COPIES are forwarded, for information, to :—

- (1) All the Commissioners of divisions in the Punjab;
- (2) Officer on Special Duty (Central Record Room), Financial Commissioners' Office, Lahore.



## APPENDIX XIX

*Memorandum No. 1447-54/9506-R(L), dated Lahore, the 10th September, 1955.*

*From*—S. A. Latif, Esquire, P. C. S., Under-Secretary to Government Punjab, Resettlement and Colonies Department.

*To*—(1) All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab; (2) The Additional Deputy Commissioners (Revenue); Lahore and Additional Deputy Commissioner, Lyallpur, (3) The Colonization Officer, Nili Bar Colony, Pakpattan; (4) The Assistant Colonization Officer, Haveli Project, Multan, (5) Thal Development Officer, Mianwali.

*Subject*—Reservation of Temporary allotment.

*Reference*—In continuation of Punjab Government Circulars Memo. No. 1107-R(L), dated 26th December 1953.

It has been observed that contrary to the directions issued by the Central Record Room from time to time to the local officers not to cancel and allot the relevant temporary allotments to other claimants under the Rehabilitation Settlement Scheme in cases where defective records are received from India, such allotments are still being cancelled and the land so withdrawn is being allotted to others. This is causing undue hardship and inconvenience to the claimants concerned. The Rehabilitation Commissioner (Land) has therefore, decided that in future in all such cases where the Central Record Room certifies to the in accuracy of the records received from India, the corresponding temporary allotments should not be cancelled unless and until the final verification of the claim form has been done by the Central Record Room and intimation sent to the local officers to this effect.



