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Subject : Disposal of applications
regarding schemes of con-
solidation of holdings.

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C I R C U L A R

It has been brought to the notice of the Settlement Commissioner that complaint/objection applications in connection with schemes of consolidation of holdings are often sent by the parties to the Collectors and other local revenue officers, who call for a report from the Consolidation Officers and/or Assistant Consolidation Officers and send a reply to the parties concerned direct. As such complaint applications are also made/repeated by the parties to the Settlement Commissioner, who also calls for reports on them from the Consolidation Officers, any direct enquiry by the Collector and other revenue officer involves unnecessary duplication of work and might also result in conflicting orders being passed. The practice of direct disposal of such applications by the Revenue Officers is, moreover, not in accordance with the Petition Rules [vide para 23(c) in Government Notification, Political and Services Department, No: 2034/34 dated 14-8-1950.]

2. All Collectors are, therefore, requested to see that complaint applications, received by revenue officers in connection with consolidation schemes, are invariably sent to the Consolidation Officers concerned for disposal, at the same time referring the applicants to the Consolidation Officer or Assistant Consolidation Officer (or to the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records), as the case may be. The Collectors are also requested to issue similar instructions to their Prant Officers and the Manlatdars.

3. The Consolidation Officers must intimate the final disposal of all such complaint applications to the Collectors concerned, and include all such applications and the reply sent to the party in the scheme papers, submitted to the Settlement Commissioner (for the confirmation of the scheme).

CC signed by
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