

RAJASTHAN LAND REVENUE ACT 1956

The whole of the Land Revenue Act has been simplified and summarized by DLA in 20 pages, retaining the statutory language.

In this sample we present the first 5 pages.....

Interpretation

Section 3

- “**Land Records Officer**” shall mean
 - the **collector**
 - the Additional or Assistant Land Records Officer
- “**Nazul Land**” shall mean
 - **abadi land** within the limits of a municipality or a panchayat circle or a village, town or city
 - vesting in State Govt
- “**Village**” shall mean
 - **the tract of land**
 - which has been or may hereafter be recognised and recorded to be a village

Establishment and Composition of Board

Section 4

- There shall be established for Rajasthan
 - a **Board of Revenue**
- The Board shall consist of
 - a Chairman and not less than 3 and not more than 15 other members_
- Headquarters of the Board of Revenue
 - shall be at **Ajmer**

Powers of the Board

Section 8

- The Board shall be the **highest revenue court**
 - of appeal, revision and reference in Rajasthan

Superintendence of Revenue Courts

Section 9

- General **superintendence and control**
 - over all revenue courts and over all revenue officers
 - shall be vested in the Board
- All such courts and officers
 - shall be subordinate to the Board

Territorial Divisions

Section 15

- For revenue and general administration:
- The State shall consist of divisions and districts
- Every division shall be a district or more than one district
- A district may be divided into sub-divisions
- Each sub-division shall consist of one or more tehsils

Commissioner

Section 17

- State Government
 - **shall** appoint in each division a **Commissioner**
 - **may** appoint Additional Commissioners

Settlement Commissioner

Section 18

- State Govt
 - **shall** appoint for the whole of the State a **Settlement Commissioner**
 - **may** appoint many Additional Settlement Commissioners

Director of Land Records

Section 19

- State Govt
 - **shall** appoint for the State, a **Director of Land Records**
 - **may** appoint many Additional and Assistant Directors of Land Records

Appointment of other Officers

Section 20

- State Govt **shall** appoint
 - a **Collector** in each district
 - who shall also be Land Records Officer for the district
 - a **Tehsildar** in each tehsil

- State Govt **may** appoint
 - an Additional Land Record Officer to a district
 - a Settlement Officer to a district
 - as many Assistant Collectors to a district as it thinks fit

- State Govt **shall** appoint
 - an Assistant Collector in charge of a sub-division
 - a Tehsildar or a Naib-Tehsildar in charge of a sub-tehsil

Revenue Appellate Authority

Section 20A

- State Govt may appoint
 - a number of officers, not being less than **three**
- to hear and dispose of appeals, revisions and references
 - in revenue judicial cases and other specified matters

- **Every** officer so appointed
 - shall be designated as **Revenue Appellate Authority** and

Controlling Power

Section 23 (1)

- Control of all non-judicial matters
 - connected with revenue other than matters connected with settlement
 - is vested in State Govt

- Control of all judicial matters and settlement matters
 - is vested in the Board

Judicial matter

Section 23 (2)

- “**judicial matter**” means
 - a proceeding in which a revenue court or officer has to determine **rights and liabilities** of parties and
 - proceedings, orders, appeals, revisions and references in a case specified in First Schedule

Subordination of Revenue Courts and Officers

Section 24

- Following officers in a division shall be subordinate to the Commissioner :
 - All Addl. Commissioners
 - Collectors, Addl. Collectors
 - Sub-Divisional Officers, Asstt. Collectors
 - Tehsildars and Naib-Tehsildars
- Following officers in a district shall be subordinate to the Collector
 - all Addl. Collectors
 - Sub-Divisional Officers, Asstt. Collectors
 - Tehsildars and Naib-Tehsildars
- officers subordinate to the Sub-Divisional Officer:
 - all Tehsildars and Naib-Tehsildars

Inherent powers of Courts and officers

Section 27

- A Commissioner shall have
 - all powers of a Land Records Officer and officers subordinate to LRO
- A Revenue Appellate Authority shall have all powers of
 - a Collector, a Sub Divisional Officer, an Assistant Collector and a Tehsildar
- A Collector shall have all powers of

- a Sub-Divisional Officer, an Assistant Collector and a Tehsildar
- A Sub-Divisional Officer
 - shall have all powers of an Assistant Collector and a Tehsildar
- A Land Records Officer or a Settlement Officer
 - shall have all powers of a Tehsildar

Formation and alteration of Patwaris' Circles

Section 30

- Director of Land Records
 - may arrange villages of each district in **Patwaris' circles**
 - may alter the number and limits of such circles

Appointment of Patwaris

Section 31

- The Collector shall appoint a **Patwari** to each circle
 - for maintenance and correction of annual registers and records under Chapter VII
 - for collection of all rents, revenue and other demands due from land holders and tenants
 - for such other duties as prescribed by State Govt

Formation of Land Records Inspection circles

Section 32

- Director of Land Records may arrange
 - patwaris' circles of each district into land records inspection circles
