

Government of West Bengal  
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**C I R C U L A R**

The flowing/tidel rivers are wealth of nature and should be kept free fro enjoyment of general public. Besides, the settlement of flowing river may cause obstruction to the free flow of water. In view of this, the Government has decided in principle that no settlement of flowing/tidel rivers should be made with any individual or organisation. As soon as lease on any flowing river expires, the same should be kept free for enjoyment by members of general public.

Accordingly, it is instructed that from 1408-B.S. onwards no flowing/tidel river should be settlement. If any notice has been issued anywhere in any district for settlement of such rivers the notice should immediately be withdrawn.

The amended rules of the West Bengal Land & Land Reforms Mannual, 1991 in this regard will be sent shortly.

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