



No. 4548-2017/113-ST(I)

Board of Revenue, Punjab

(Taxes Wing)

Lahore, dated/8 .08.2017

To

All District Registrars / District Collectors, in the Punjab

Subject:

RELIANCE UPON REPORT OF PATWARI WITH REGARD TO DESCRIPTION, NATURE AND LOCATION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Kindly refer to letter No. 884-2017/290/PS/MBR(Taxes), dated 21.02.2017 on the subject matter.

- 2. It has been observed with grave concern that Sub-Registrars predominantly rely upon reports of *Patwaris* regarding description, nature and location of immoveable property. It has been further observed that in many cases *Patwaris* have issued reports giving wrong description of the property in order to help the party to dodge government taxes. In many cases these reports are even bogus and have been found to have been issued under forged signatures and stamps.
- 3. Sub-Registrars are legally bound to register the instrument presented to them without seeking report of a *Patwari*. In case of ambiguity with regard to location of property or other facts related to the immovable property mentioned in the instruments, Sub-Registrar is required to hold inquiry at his personal level. In case of any pecuniary loss caused to the government upon the basis of report of a *Patwari*, the concerned Registry *Moharrir* and Sub-Registrar shall be personally responsible for such a loss.

4. You are requested to ensure strict compliance of the afore-said instructions.

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Member (Taxes),
Board of Revenue, Punjab.

CC:

- i) All the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) in the Punjab.
- ii) All the Sub-Registrars in the Punjab.
- iii) Chief Inspector of Stamps, Board of Revenue, Punjab.
- iv) Senior Inspectors of Stamps, Board of Revenue, Punjab.
- v) All the Inspectors of Stamps, Board of Revenue, Punjab.
- vi) All the Auditors in Taxes Wing, Board of Revenue, Punjab.