

Copy of letter No. 4 (41) 61-M. W. dated 20th July, 1961 from the Secy. to the Govt. of India, ministry of irri. and power, New Delhi to all State Govt. etc.

Sub ;— Wakf properties occupied by State Deptts. etc. Vacation and handing over to the various State wakf Boards.

I am directed to refer to recommendation No. 2 item 4 of the appendix of the proceedings of the inter State Wakf conference held on 26th and 27th Dec. 60, forwarded with this ministry letter No. 5 (2) 61—MW dt 2-2 61 and to say that the question of vacation of land belonging to wakf institutions like graveyards, mosques, dargahs, khansquash and takias etc. which are for some reasons under the occupation of govt. 's deptts. and municipal corporations etc. have been engaging the attention of the Govt. of India. It is felt that it would be advisable to settle this matter quickly in order to avoid unnecessary litigation and bitterness. It is, theretore, considered that where it is feasible, wakf properties should be vacated and handed over to the wakf boards concerned. Where, however, costly constructions have been made on such land and their vacation is not feasible, the State Govt. may kindly enter in to permanent leases with the Wakf Board concerned after paying to them the bulk of the market value of the land as premium or in the alternative make over the fair market value of the land to the boards who will relinquish their rights over the land if it is in their direct management or obtain from the Mutawallis concerned with their consent, the necessary deeds of ralinouishment. No. 481/II-A (3) Bhopal dated 31st Jan. 1962.

Copy forwarded to all the Communis collectors of M. P. for information and necessary action.

Sd/—
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Officer on Special Duty

Copy of letter No. 379/1274/(64) 11—A(3)-Dh-dated 31 3-65 from Govt. of M. P. Home Deptt. addressed to all Collectors of M. P.

Sub ;— Wakf properties prevention of encroachment, trespass and desc. eation of Vigilance by Stete Government.

It has been brought to the notice of the State Government that there are a number of cases of the encroachment in place of worship and properties owned by the Musllm Wakfs in some part of this State and that many such place still continue to be in unauthorised hands. Government desire that effective steps should be taken to stop such encroachments trespass and desc. eation of place of sanctity, and determent and penal action as provided in the Indian penal code should be taken as soon as such cases are reported or come to notices.

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