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Government of India
Ministry of Water Resources, RD & GR
(e-Governance Cell)

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg,
New Delhi, dated the 01st September, 2016.

To,

All Head of Attached Offices / Subordinate Organizations under the Ministry.

Subject:-Standardization of location codes and integration with Local Government Directory (LGD).

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a D.O. letter No. M/127/2016-GIS dated 08.08.2016 received from Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology and to convey that in a meeting held in the Cabinet Secretariat on 11th July, 2016 it has been decided to use Census 2011 codes in all government databases where location codes are used. For this purpose, the Local Government Directory (LGD) maintained by Ministry of Panchayati Raj is to be used as the single standard to update and manage location codes.

2. It is therefore, requested to ensure that all the e-Governance applications requiring location codes which are operational in your Organization are integrated with LGD in order to achieve seamless integration among all e-Governance applications across States and Ministries.

Encl:- As Above

Yours faithfully,

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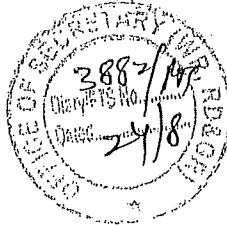
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Ministry of Electronics &
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Dated: 08/08/2016

Dear Secretary,

As you may be aware that at present, there is no standard mechanism to create and update unique location codes in the country on a continuous basis. There are multiple agencies which provide location codes, primarily State Land & Revenue Departments, Registrar General of India (RGI), Survey of India (SOI) and Central Ministries. However, these agencies have different jurisdictions. The RGI provides Census codes every 10 years but there is no provision for incorporating intermittent changes. Survey of India captures geo-references of administrative boundaries through surveys but does not provide any location codes. Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) maintains Local Government Directory (LGD) which is an on-line mechanism to update administrative units directory upto GP and village level from field revenue authorities. However, there is no mechanism for dynamic updation of LGD after notification from States and the Centre for creation/splitting/merger of villages/blocks/districts/States.

2. In view of the above, there is a need to put in place a mechanism where Census codes provided by RGI are dynamically updated online in LGD as and when there is any change in the boundary of any administrative unit. In this regard, a meeting was held in the Cabinet Secretariat on 11th July, 2016 under the chairmanship of Secretary (C&PG). Due to lack of standardization of location codes, integration and interoperability among various e-Governance applications remains elusive thereby making it difficult for the decision makers at state and national level to have an integrated view.

3. It has been decided that Census 2011 codes will be seeded in all government databases where location codes are necessary and Local Government Directory (LGD; <http://lgdirectory.gov.in>) will be used as the single standard window to update and manage unique codes of various administrative units.

4. Pursuant to this decision, all State Governments have been directed to use census-2011 codes and record the creation or re-organization of administrative units (District, Sub-District, Villages, etc.) in both rural and urban areas in LGD at the earliest so that new codes can be generated in LGD and shared with all the consuming applications. It is requested that the Ministry/ Department may

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ensure that all the e-Governance applications which are currently operational are fully integrated with LGD so that seamless integration is achieved among all e-Governance applications across States and Ministries. Please note that this has to be a continuous process and sustained in future as well.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



(Aruna Sundararajan)

Secretaries of all Ministries/ Departments, GoI