

Delhi Development Act, 1957

Chapter 5 - CHAPTER 5 Acquisition And Disposal of Land

Section 15 Compulsory acquisition of land(1) If in the opinion of the Central Government, any land is required for the purpose of development, or for any other purpose, under this Act, the Central Government may acquire such land under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (1 of 1894).(2) Where any land has been acquired by the Central Government, that Government may, after it has taken possession of the land, transfer the land to the Authority or any local authority for the purpose for which the land has been acquired on payment by the Authority or the local authority of the compensation awarded under that Act and of the charges incurred by the Government in connection with the acquisition.]**Section 16 Compensation for compulsory acquisition of land**Rep. by the Delhi Development (Amendment) Act, 1963 (56 of 1963), s. 10 (retrospectively).**Section 17 Appeal to the district judge against decision of the collector**Repeal**Section 18 Disputes as to appointment of the compensation**Repeal**Section 19 Payment of compensation or deposit of the same in court**Repeal**Section 20 Investment of the amount of compensation deposited in court**Repeal**Section 21 Disposal of land by the Authority or the local Authority concerned**(1) Subject to any directions given by the Central Government under this Act, the Authority or, as the case may be, the local authority concerned may dispose of(a) any land acquired by the Central Government and transferred to it, without undertaking or carrying out any development thereon; or(b) any such land after undertaking or carrying out such development as it thinks fit, to such persons, in such manner and subject to such terms and conditions as it considers expedient for securing the development of Delhi according to plan.(2) The powers of the Authority or, as the case may be, the local authority concerned with respect to the disposal of land under sub-section (1) shall be so exercised as to secure, so far as practicable, that persons who are living or carrying on business or other activities on the land shall, if they desire to obtain accommodation on land belonging to the Authority or the local authority concerned and are willing to comply with any requirements of the Authority or the local authority concerned as to its development and use, have an opportunity to obtain thereon accommodation suitable to their reasonable requirements on terms settled with due regard to the price at which any such land has been acquired from them:Provided that where the Authority or the local authority concerned proposes to dispose of by sale any land without any development having been undertaken or carried out therein, it shall offer the land in the first instance to the persons from whom it was acquired, if they desire to purchase it subject to such requirements as to its development and use as the Authority or the local authority concerned may think fit to impose.(3) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as enabling the Authority or the local authority concerned to dispose of land by way of gift, mortgage or charge, but subject as aforesaid reference in this Act to the disposal of land shall be construed as reference to the disposal thereof in any manner, whether by way of sale, exchange or lease or by the creation of any easement right or privilege or otherwise.**Section 22 Nazul lands**(1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between that Government and the Authority, place at the disposal of the Authority all or any developed and undeveloped lands in Delhi vested in the Union (known and hereinafter referred to as "nazul lands") for the purpose of development in accordance with the provisions of this Act.(2) No development of any nazul land shall be undertaken or carried out except by, or under the control and supervision of, the Authority after such land has been placed at the disposal of the Authority under sub-section (1).(3) After any such nazul land has been developed by, or under the control and supervision of, the Authority, it shall be dealt with by the Authority in accordance with rules made and directions given by the Central Government in this behalf.(4) If any nazul land placed at the disposal of the Authority under sub-section (1) is required at any time thereafter by the Central Government, the Authority shall, by notification in the Official Gazette, replace it at the disposal of that Government upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between that Government and the Authority.**Section 22A Power of Authority to develop land in non-development area**Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2) of section 12, the Authority may, if it is of opinion that it is expedient to do so, undertake or carry out any

development of any land which has been transferred to it or placed at its disposal under section 15 or section 22 even if such land is situated in any area which is not a development area.]

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