

ANDHRA PRADESH REVENUE RECOVERY ACT, 1864

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DUES RECOVERABLE UNDER R.R. ACT

- Arrears of Land Revenue
- Land revenue not paid before 10th of the month of Kist bandi (Land Revenue is exempted from payment.) --- Sec.4
- **Water tax not paid by 30th June.**
- All cesses levied on land. (No cesses as on date
- Revenue other than L R due to State Government --- Sec.52
- Advances made by Government for cultivation or for other purposes.
- Fine ordered to pay to Government by courts.
- Sums due to Government including loss or damage sustained by them in consequence of breach of contract.
- Loans re payable to bank – guaranteed by Govt. --- Sec.52 A

- Loans and advances payable to cooperatives established under Central/State Government.
- Loans repayable to Banks related to Welfare Schemes.
- Government to **notify** loans payable to Corporations and Banks.
- Recovery Can be made from persons who are due to pay / payable in due course to defaulters **Sec 52 B**
- Batta payable to persons employed to serve notices, interest and charges incurred --- **Sec.54.**
- Interest is charged on arrears of land revenue at 6% --- **Sec.7**
- COLLECTOR OR OFFICER EMPOERED BY THE COLLECTOR TO PROCEED TO RECOVER ARREARS -----Sec 5

METHODS ADOPTED TO REALIZE AREAS `

- **Distraint and sale of Movable property**
- **Attachment of and sale of Immovable property.**
- **Arrest and detention of the defaulter.**

DISTRAINT OF MOVABLE PROPERTY

- **The Collector or officer empowered has to issue notice -- Sec. 8**
- **The Tahsildar/ Mandal Revenue inspector are empowered –**
BSO.41para.6
- **Notice be issued in Form –I (Distraint Order Sec. 8-BSO 41 para 6**
- **Details of defaulter – arrears due, batta , interest — date of distress -are shown in the notice.**
- **Be specified in the notice that on presentation of distraint order, the amount has to be paid- if failed, distraint be made by the distrainer specified in the order – generally VRO is the Distrainer.**

- Further specified that the distrained property will be brought to sale, if the amount is not paid
- Notice to be served on defaulter/ left at place of residence of defaulter - left in the premises where distraint is made – three days before
- If amount not paid/arrangements are not made for securing the same on service of notice- distrainer to distraint the property- inventory is prepared
- Distress to be proportionate to the arrears. ... Sec. 14
- Distress shall be between sun rise and sun set --- Sec. 15.

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- Necessary wearing apparel, cooking vessels, beds bedding, present ornaments of a women – religious in nature – ploughs, implements of husbandry , one pair of cattle, manures, seeds, any other article notified by Government are **exempted** from distraint. **Sec14A**
- **Inventory** to be communicated to Tahsildar -in From.II
Sec. 9
- Tahsildar is empowered to sell distrained property – as per Sec.2 of **A.P. Rent and Revenue Sales Act 1939**
Govt vest power of Tahsildar on any officer
- Tahsildar may delegate to any subordinate, subject to the orders of the Collector.

SALE OF MOVABLE PROPERTY

- The Tahsildar shall issue a notice in Form-3(NOTICE OF SALE OF MOVABLE PROPERTY)
- Time, place and date of sale to be specified - --- Sec. 22
- The notice be affixed on the house of Defaulter /premises where property is distrained.
- Details of distrained property be shown.
- Be specified that the sale is subject to revision powers of Collector
- Date of a sale shall be 15 days after the notice is affixed on the house of defaulter.
- If dues including all components are paid by one day before sun-set on the day fixed for sale –property is released to defaulter.

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SALE OF MOVABLE PROPERTY ----contd

- Sale to be held – disposed in favour of **highest bidder..**
- Purchaser has to make **full payment** at the time of sale
Sec 24
-----not permitted to take away the property before payment is made.
- If not paid, it is **resold** and if amount realized is less than in first Sale –deficit is recovered from defaulting purchaser - if excess – paid to him.
- If sale value is more than arrears and interest etc, – excess is paid to defaulter.

OTHER ASPECTS RELATED TO DISTRAINT OF MOVABLE PROPERTY

- Distrained crops are reaped / gathered and sold – expenditure incurred to be adjusted from sale value / recovered from defaulter
--- Sec.11
- If defaulter makes fraudulent conveyance of property – Civil Court orders property to be delivered to distrainer – defaulter is liable to be prosecuted U/s 424 of IPC --- Sec. 16.
- Distrained property, if forcibly taken away, – Defaulter is liable for the penalties as prescribed in IPC --- Sec. 18.
- Distrainer may get open the rooms within the house -- Sec. 19.

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OTHER ASPECTS RELATED TO DISTRAINT OF MOVABLE PROPERTY ---contd

- Outer gate of the house be opened in presence of a police officer and the room wherein women stay is opened only after they are removed in suitable manner as per customs –
Sec. 20
- Persons entering the apartments of women, if open the room without following the procedure – on conviction – liable for fine up to Rs.500 or imprisonment up to 6 months.
- If property distrained is perishable speedily, shall be sold by distrainer --- **Sec.23A**
- Distrained cattle or goods shall not be used **Sec. 12**

ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

- A written demand notice in Form 4(Demand prior to attachment) be served on defaulter.-----issued by the Collector or officer , empowered -----Sec25
- Tahsildar is authorised – Tahsildar issues notice
- Details of arrears etc be shown in the notice.
- Served on defaulter/ adult male member of the family / affixed on last known residence /on part of the land proposed to be attached.
- Defaulter is informed to pay the dues within specified time
- The time be decided as per the distance from the land to be attached and place of payment

ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

- If not paid/ no arrangements are made for payment , proceeded to attach the property ----- **Sec.26**
- Notice of attachment in **Form -5 (Notice of Attachment)** be affixed on the land attached. **Sec.27**
- Be specified that the attached property be sold in auction if arrears not paid by a date specified.
- Attachment is publicly proclaimed on land
- Publicised by **beat of Tom -Tom**
- Attachment should be published in **District of Gazettee** ----
----- **Sec. 27**

MANAGEMENT OF ATTACHED PROPERTY

- Collector to appoint an officer to manage the landed property attached –
Sec.28.
- Notice of assumption in Form 6 (Notice of Assumption) be served on defaulter/ adult male member of the family/ displayed in conspicuous space in the land
--- **Sec.29.**
- Proclamation of assumption be made on the land.
- Published in the District Gazettee.
- The Agent Collects rent etc. – maintains accounts on receipts and expenditure
Sec.30.
- Attachment is not effected ,if arrears, expenditure, interest are paid.
- Persons interested can also pay the dues and get the land released.
- The arrears etc. can be tendered before sunset on day before the date fixed for sale .

SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ATTACHED

- Sale is by public auction
- Collector/ officer authorized by Collector conducts auction. Tahsildar concerned may be authorized
- Notice of sale in Form 7 (Notice of sale of the land) be published.
- Time date, place of sale be specified in the notice
- Be in English and in local language
- Must be issued at least one MONTH before the date of sale.
- Another Notice in Form 7A be published 15 days before the day of sale
- provision that interested persons can make payment before sunset on day before sale - is specified in the notice.

- It should be published in **District Gazette** in local language
- The highest bidder to pay **15%** of sale value immediately.
- Remaining amount be payable in **30** days, if not paid in time -- 15% already paid is forfeited.
- Bidding may be done by **bidder/agent** (with written authorization)
- Any person **including defaulter** can bid – public servants can do so as per Conduct Rules
- If 15% or the remaining amount not paid in time – **re-auctioned** – deficit, if any, be realized from defaulting bidder/ excess, if any, paid to him.

- When amount realized is more than the dues etc., excess is paid to the defaulter.
- Application may be made to set a side the sale within 30 days after sale – arrears etc. and 5% to sale value to be remitted
- 15% of sale value paid by purchaser and in addition 5% of sale value shall be paid to purchaser and sale is set a side
----- **Sec. 31 A.**
- Application to set a side sale - on grounds of irregularities may be made within 30 days ---- if irregularities are proved - sale is set a side – 15% of sale value is repaid to purchaser.

- After full amount is paid ,sale is confirmed by RDO/Sub Collector.
- Certificate of sale in Form 8 be issued in favour of purchaser by the Collector. **Sec 38**
- Purchaser to be put in possession
- Lands sold are entered in Form 9 (Register of lands sold)
- Sale of land to be proclaimed on land in Form 10
(Proclamation of purchase of land) **Sec 39**

PURCHASE OF LAND (ATTACHED) BY GOVERNMENT (BOUGHT IN LANDS FOR GOVERNMENT) (BSO 45)

- Where it is suspected that full value is not realized in Revenue sales.
- Government authorizes an officer to participate in bidding on behalf of Government – but not the auction conducting officer.
- Officer to bid when amount found realized in bidding is not more than 50% of the value.
- Land so bought is not treated as waste land available for assignment.
- Entered in the specific register.
- No trespass is allowed.
- RDO can lease the bought in land – not to former owner.
- When situation improves, it is resold.
- RDO to confirm the sale
- The Collector may consider to reassign bought in land to original owner on payment of arrears with interest .

PROCEDURE WHEN DEFAULTER/SURETY RESIDES OUT SIDE THE DISTRICT

--- Sec 57

- Arrears due are in one District, but defaulter /surety resides in other Districts.
- Written application to be sent to the Collector of the District where defaulter resides by the Collector of the District where arrears are due.
- Collector of the other District may delegate the authority to Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildhar
- The process is followed by the Collector of other district to distrain property –attach the property.

OTHER ASPECTS RELATED TO ATTACHMENT

- All Agreements entered in to with tenants by land owner before attachment are binding on the Collector. Sec.32
- But, if proved that it was done so to avoid attachment – not binding.
- Rent paid by tenant before attachment is valid.
- Agent to whom management of attached land is entrusted, if commits criminal /illegal action ,can be prosecuted / suit be filed against him Sec. 31.
- Contracts entered by land owner with tenants are binding to land purchaser ----- Sec. 41.
- Sale may be postponed if security is provided. ----- Sec. 47.

ARREST AND DETENTION OF DEFAULTER

- Collector can order for arrest and imprisonment of Defaulter **Sec.48, 40**
 - when the arrears etc are **not realized** by sale of Distrainted movables and attached immobile property
 - When it is believed that the defaulter /Surety **willfully** Withholding payments
- Imprisonment Up to **two years**
- But – up to six months when arrears are up to Rs.500 –up to three months when arrears are up to Rs.50

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ARREST AND DETENTION OF DEFAULTER -contd

- THE PUNISHMENT DOES NOT EXTINGUISH THE DEBT OF DEFAULTER / SURETY
- Female Defaulters / Sureties shall not be arrested
- Form of warrant is Form 11
- The officer authorized to arrest the defaulter – conveys the defaulter to the jailer along with a copy of warrant
- Jailer to retain copy of warrant and to send the original to the in-charge of the Jail.

REVISION

- State Government can call for records ----- **Sec. 57 A**
- It may be on filing application by aggrieved/ or suo-moto.
- Verifies the authority of the officer conducted the proceedings and legality or propriety of decisions
- Stay order may be issued while revision is pending
- CCLA may also exercise the same.
- Suits may be filed in Civil Court but within 6 months. **Sec. 59**

OTHER RELATED STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- **A P REVENUE RECOVERY (SALES PERISHABLE ARTICLES) RULES 1959**
- **A.P. Rent and Revenue Sales Act 1939**
- **ANDHRA PRADESH REVENUE SUMMONS ACT 1869 & RULES FRAMED THERE UNDER. 1959**
- **BSOs 35 to 49 and 189**
- **FORMS ARE GIVEN AS APPENDIXES TO BSOs**

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