



Haryana Government amended the Punjab Village Common Land (Regulation) Rules, 1964

Why in News?

On 5 April 2023, in the meeting of the Council of Ministers held in Chandigarh under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Manohar Lal, it was decided to amend sub-rule (2A) of the Punjab Village Common Land (Regulation) Rules, 1964.

Key Points

- Under this, interested social societies or religious institutions that want to establish Gaushala, Biogas Plant, Panchgavya Products, Veterinary Hospital, Research and Training Center and for growing fodder will now be able to take the included land on lease for a period of up to 20 years.
- For this, the lease holder in the Gaushalas will have to keep at least 50 percent of the destitute animals in the Gaushala during the lease period of the total animal population.
- These rules are now called the 'Punjab Village Common Land (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Rules, 2023'.
- After the said amendment, now the Gram Panchayat through its land allotment will be allowed to give lease for a period of up to 20 years at a minimum rate of Rs 5100 per acre per year.
- Religious organizations with a history of philanthropic contribution to the society verified by their forefathers will be recommended by the District Level Committee and the Haryana Gau-Seva Aayog.
- Any land in Shamlat Deh will be allowed to be given on lease for establishment of Gaushala in the ratio of 0.75 acre for every 100 animals (at least 50 percent destitute cattle) after construction of Gaushala.
- In Shamlat Deh, any land will be allowed to lease 2 acres of land to a Gaushala with 1500 animals (at least 50 percent stray animals) for ancillary purposes like biogas plant, Panchgavya products, veterinary hospital, research and training center etc.
- After construction of Gaushala, 1.5 acres of land earmarked for cattle rearing will be allowed to be given on lease for cultivation of fodder for every 100 animals (at least 50 percent destitute animals).

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