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**Republic of the Union of Myanmar**  
**Central Farmland Management Committee**  
**Notification No. (2/2025)**  
**1387, 4<sup>th</sup> Waxing Day of Tawthalin**  
**(26 August 2025)**

**Stipulating the Duties and Powers of Farmland Management Committees at Various Levels**

1. In accordance with Section 16(b) of the Farmland Law, the Central Farmland Management Committee has re-formed and assigned duties to the Region/State, Nay Pyi Taw Council, District, Township, and Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committees at various levels via its Notification No. 1/2025 dated August 26, 2025.
2. Pursuant to the provisions in Section 17(a) and Section 41(b) of the Farmland Law, and to enable compliance and implementation in line with the prevailing Farmland Law and its implementing regulations, the duties and powers of the Farmland Management Committees at various levels are hereby stipulated as follows:

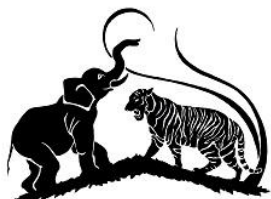
**(a) Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee**

- (1) To scrutinize and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for approval matters regarding the use of farmland for rural and urban housing projects to enable housing construction for the increasing population and growing number of households in rural and urban areas.
- (2) To scrutinize and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for approval matters regarding the use of farmland for schools, health departments, hospitals, clinics, libraries, rural markets, cemeteries, religious lands, and other necessary buildings related to the development and progress of the living standards of the rural population.
- (3) To scrutinize and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for approval matters regarding the use of farmland for establishing agricultural machinery and equipment needed for the transition from manual to modern mechanized agriculture for the development of the agricultural sector, factories related to agricultural development such as rice mills, oil mills, pulse mills, crop storage warehouses, required production roads, and infrastructure construction.



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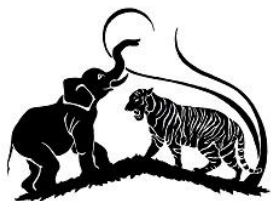
- (4) To scrutinize and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for approval matters regarding the use of farmland for farmland reformation works to enable the transition from manual agricultural systems to modern mechanized agricultural systems for the development of the agricultural sector.
- (5) Regarding cases where appeals are entered within the stipulated period due to dissatisfaction with an Order or Decision issued by the District Farmland Management Committee concerning farmland use rights disputes: to confirm, amend, or cancel; to issue a final decision/order.
- (6) After issuing a final decision/order on a farmland use rights dispute, to carry out the cancellation or amendment of the original use rights permit if changes to the name, location, or area listed in Farmland Use Rights Permit Form (7) are required.
- (7) To collect, consolidate, and scrutinize the pending case lists of completed acceptance, inspection, and handling of farmland use rights disputes and appeals by Farmland Management Committees at various levels, and to submit monthly reports to the Central Farmland Management Committee.
- (8) Upon receiving notification of permission from the Central Farmland Management Committee regarding an application to designate fallow, vacant, or virgin land as farmland by a holder of use or utilization rights, to notify the Township Administration Office via the District and Township Farmland Management Committees.
- (9) To scrutinize applications for designating land as farmland after holders of use rights over fallow, vacant, or virgin land have cleared and cultivated in accordance with stipulated rules for the benefit of rural farmers and family subsistence farming, and to notify the Township Administration Office via the relevant District and Township Farmland Management Committees upon granting permission.
- (10) To scrutinize the scrutiny and calculation submissions from Township and District Farmland Management Committees regarding compensation and damages payable to farmland use rights holders entitled to such compensation/damages in cases where farmland is acquired for the State and national interest, and to submit them to the Central Farmland Management Committee with the approval of the Nay Pyi Taw Council, Region/State Government.
- (11) To finally scrutinize and decide according to the promulgated law on complaints regarding dissatisfaction with compensation, damages, or other suitable



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arrangements made to ensure the farmland use rights holder whose land was acquired suffers no loss.

- (12) To supervise crop pattern changes for national food security, to scrutinize and approve crop pattern changes within the region at various levels, and to submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee with accurate acreage figures.
- (13) To submit comments to the Central Farmland Management Committee on applications for permission to change from seasonal crops to other crop types on paddy land; regarding applications for permission to change from seasonal crop types to other crop types on non-paddy farmland, to scrutinize the facts submitted at various levels and issue permission for crop change.
- (14) To comment and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee on matters regarding applications to use paddy land for other purposes.
- (15) To comment and submit to the Nay Pyi Taw Council, Region/State Government on matters regarding applications to use non-paddy farmland for other purposes.
- (16) To have the District and Township Farmland Management Committees conduct field inspections and report on the operational status of businesses permitted to use farmland for other purposes, and to submit these inspection findings with photographic records, using Form-16 (Status of Farmland Use for Other Purposes Inspection Findings), to the Central Farmland Management Committee every six months.
- (17) To submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for possible action, based on field inspection findings by Township and District Farmland Management Committees that a person granted permission to use farmland for other purposes has not commenced use in the stipulated manner within six months from the permission date, or has not completed the work within the stipulated period, and a case file has been opened.
- (18) To scrutinize and submit with comments to the Central Farmland Management Committee for approval regarding the cancellation of farmland use rights of persons subjected to an administrative penalty under Section 19(c) and (d) of the Farmland Law, and the cancellation of farmland use rights of persons penalized under Section 37.

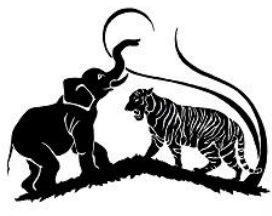


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- (19) To supervise to prevent farmland use rights holders from selling, mortgaging, leasing, exchanging, or donating all or part of their farmland use rights to a foreigner or foreign-involved organization without permission from the State Government.
- (20) To submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee for a decision regarding newly formed alluvial land disputes between Regions or States.
- (21) To submit and carry out with the relevant Nay Pyi Taw Council, Region/State Government regarding territorial security and rule of law in the management of newly formed alluvial land use rights.
- (22) To supervise and control compliance with conditions stipulated in the Farmland Law; to take action against violations and submit to the Central Farmland Management Committee.
- (23) To propose procedures to the Central Farmland Management Committee to align with local customs and traditions concerning shifting cultivation, and to guide and supervise compliance with directives issued in accordance with established policies.
- (24) To carry out duties assigned from time to time by the Central Farmland Management Committee concerning farmland.

### **(b) District Farmland Management Committee**

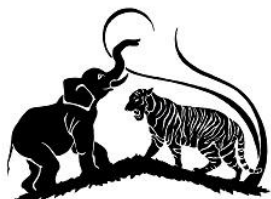
- (1) To scrutinize and submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee matters regarding the use of farmland for rural and urban housing projects due to the need for housing construction for the increasing population and growing number of households in rural and urban areas.
- (2) To scrutinize and submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee matters regarding the use of farmland for schools, health departments, hospitals, clinics, libraries, rural markets, cemeteries, religious lands, and other necessary buildings related to the development and progress of the living standards of the rural population.
- (3) To scrutinize and submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee matters regarding the use of farmland for establishing agricultural machinery and equipment needed for the transition from manual to



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modern mechanized agriculture for the development of the agricultural sector, factories related to agricultural development such as rice mills, oil mills, pulse mills, crop storage warehouses, required production roads, and infrastructure construction.

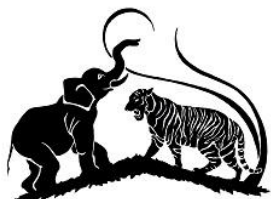
- (4) To scrutinize and submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee matters regarding the use of farmland for farmland reformation works to enable the transition from manual agricultural systems to modern mechanized agricultural systems for the development of the agricultural sector.
- (5) Regarding cases where land appeals are entered due to dissatisfaction with an Order or Decision issued by the Township Farmland Management Committee: to confirm, amend, or cancel; to issue a decision/order.
- (6) After issuing a final decision/order on a farmland use rights dispute and if no appeal is entered with the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee within the stipulated period, to cancel or amend the original use rights permit if changes to the name, location, or area listed in Farmland Use Rights Permit Form (7) are required, in accordance with the land case decision.
- (7) Upon receiving the farmland use rights case file submitted by the Township Farmland Management Committee regarding applications for farmland use rights, to conduct further scrutiny and decide to grant or reject the farmland use rights application, and to notify the Township Administration Office within the stipulated period.
- (8) Regarding applications for farmland use rights on reacquired farmland and new farmland opened by the State from time to time, based on the scrutiny submissions from the Township Farmland Management Committee, to decide to grant or reject the application and notify the Township Administration Office.
- (9) To approve and designate based on the negotiation and scrutiny submissions from the Ward/Village Tract and Township Farmland Management Committees for granting newly formed alluvial land use rights.
- (10) If a dispute arises between Wards or Village Tract groups within a township regarding newly formed alluvial land use rights, to conduct further scrutiny based on the negotiation and scrutiny submissions from the Ward/Village Tract and



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Township Farmland Management Committees, and to submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee for a decision.

- (11) To conduct further scrutiny on the scrutiny and calculation submissions from the Township Farmland Management Committee regarding compensation and damages payable to farmland use rights holders entitled to such compensation/damages in cases where farmland is acquired for the State and national interest, and to submit them to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.
- (12) Regarding applications for permission to change from seasonal crop types to other crop types on farmland, to scrutinize in accordance with stipulations for crop change on farmland and to further submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.
- (13) To comment and submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee based on the scrutiny submissions from the Township Farmland Management Committee regarding applications for permission to use farmland for other purposes.
- (14) To conduct field inspections together with Township Farmland Management Committees regarding the operational status of businesses permitted to use farmland for other purposes, and to submit these inspection findings with photographic records to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.
- (15) To submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee for possible action, based on multi-level scrutiny findings that a person granted permission to use farmland for other purposes has not commenced use in the stipulated manner within six months from the permission date, or has not completed the work within the stipulated period.
- (16) Upon receiving notification from the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee of permission from the Central Farmland Management Committee regarding applications by holders of use or utilization rights over fallow, vacant, or virgin land to designate it as farmland, to notify the Township Administration Office via the Township Farmland Management Committee.



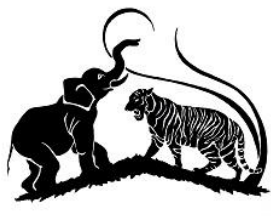
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- (17) Upon receiving notification of permission from the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee regarding applications to designate fallow, vacant, or virgin land as farmland after holders of such use rights (for the benefit of rural farmers and family subsistence farming) have cleared and cultivated in accordance with stipulated rules, to notify the Township Administration Office via the Township Farmland Management Committee.
- (18) To grant or reject based on scrutiny of submissions from Township, Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committees concerning shifting cultivation, and to guide and supervise compliance with directives issued in accordance with established policies.
- (19) To supervise and guide Township or Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committees to take action against encroachment and use without permission to use farmland for other purposes, and construction of structures, and to further submit to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.
- (20) To collect, consolidate, and scrutinize the pending case lists of completed acceptance, inspection, and handling of farmland use rights disputes and appeals, and to submit monthly reports to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.
- (21) To submit with comments to the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee regarding the cancellation of farmland use rights of persons subjected to an administrative penalty under Section 19(c) and (d) of the Farmland Law, and the cancellation of farmland use rights of persons penalized under Section 37.
- (22) To supervise and control compliance with conditions stipulated in the Farmland Law; to take action against violations.
- (23) To carry out duties assigned from time to time by the Central Farmland Management Committee and the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee.

### **(c) Township Farmland Management Committee**

- (1) To scrutinize farmland use rights case files submitted by the Township Administration Office and submit them with comments to the District Farmland



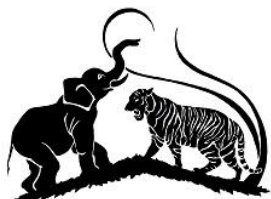


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Management Committee; to issue farmland use rights permits or send notification of rejection in accordance with the District Farmland Management Committee's communication.

- (2) To publicly announce that applications can be submitted for reacquired farmland and newly opened farmland; to further scrutinize case files scrutinized and submitted by the Township Administration Office regarding applications and submit them to the District Farmland Management Committee; to issue farmland use rights permits or send notification of rejection to the rejected person in accordance with the District Farmland Management Committee's communication.
- (3) To further scrutinize case files inspected and submitted by the Township Administration Office regarding the sale, exchange, donation, or transfer acceptance of farmland use rights, and to issue farmland use rights permits; to report and submit to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (4) To further scrutinize case files submitted with comments by the Township Administration Office regarding inheritance of farmland use rights, and to notify the Township Administration Office of permission or rejection to change the name of the rights holder; upon receiving the Township Administration Office's submission that registration has been completed according to the regulations, to issue a farmland use rights permit or notify accordingly; to submit the completed action to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (5) To notify the Township Administration Office and the concerned person, and send a copy to the Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committee, upon receiving notification from the Central Farmland Management Committee granting permission to scrutinize applications by holders of use or utilization rights over fallow, vacant, or virgin land to designate it as farmland; to issue a farmland use rights permit to the applicant based on the Township Administration Office's scrutiny and submission according to the regulations.
- (6) To further notify the Township Administration Office upon receiving notification from the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee granting permission to scrutinize after holders of use rights (for the benefit of rural farmers and family subsistence farming) have applied to designate fallow, vacant, or virgin land as farmland; to issue a farmland use rights permit based on





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the Township Administration Office's re-submission after acting in accordance with the regulations.

- (7) To scrutinize case files inspected and submitted by the Township Administration Office regarding mortgaged farmland and notify the Township Administration Office of permission or rejection; based on the Township Administration Office's submission after acting in accordance with the regulations, to issue a farmland use rights permit to the applicant; to submit the action taken to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (8) To strictly supervise to prevent farmland use rights holders from transferring to a foreigner or foreign-involved organization without permission.
- (9) To submit to the District Farmland Management Committee to potentially cancel the permission to use farmland for other purposes if it is found that the person granted such permission has not commenced use in the stipulated manner within six months from the permission date, or has not completed the work within the stipulated period.
- (10) To submit to the District Farmland Management Committee to potentially reacquire the relevant farmland if it is found that an offense under Section 37 of the Farmland Law has been proven and reported.
- (11) To submit to the District Farmland Management Committee regarding imposing an administrative penalty under Section 19(c) or (d) and potential reacquisition of farmland use rights for failure to comply with the conditions in Section 12 of the Farmland Law.
- (12) To confirm, amend, or cancel the Order or Decision of the Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committee concerning farmland use rights disputes.
- (13) After issuing a final decision/order on a farmland use rights dispute and if no appeal is entered with the District Farmland Management Committee within the stipulated period, to cancel or amend the original use rights permit if changes to the name, location, or area listed in Farmland Use Rights Permit Form (7) are required, in accordance with the land case decision.
- (14) The Township Farmland Management Committee shall calculate the compensation and damages to be provided by the State for acquired farmland and submit them to the District Farmland Management Committee.



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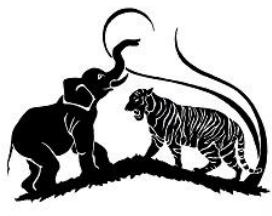
- (15) To further scrutinize applications for permission to change from seasonal crop types to other crop types on farmland submitted with comments by the Township Administration Office, and submit them with comments to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (16) To further scrutinize case files scrutinized and submitted with comments by the Township Administration Office regarding applications for permission to use farmland for other purposes, and submit them together with comments to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (17) To open a separate case file, conduct field inspections, and submit to the District Farmland Management Committee with photographic records if it is found that a person granted permission to use farmland for other purposes has not commenced use in the stipulated manner within six months from the permission date, or has not completed the work within the stipulated period, in order to report to the Central Farmland Management Committee.
- (18) To conduct field inspections, negotiate and decide fairly if boundaries and area increase or decrease occur during the reformation and development of farmland into modern model mechanized farmland; to scrutinize and submit to potentially re-designate farmland use rights.
- (19) To issue an order under Section 19 against a person who fails to comply with all or any condition stipulated in Section 12 of the Farmland Law; to file a lawsuit under Section 35 against a person who fails to comply with the order; to submit such lawsuit to the District Farmland Management Committee.
- (20) To file a complaint with the Police Force for potential penalty under Section 37 of the Farmland Law regarding transfer to a foreigner or foreign-involved organization without permission from the State Government.
- (21) To negotiate with Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committees and, with the approval of the District Farmland Management Committee, designate the Wards or Villages to be granted newly formed alluvial land use rights based on administrative territory; to grant newly formed alluvial land use rights in accordance with the Farmland Law regulations; to compile registers of newly formed alluvial land use rights holders; to conduct field inspections and negotiate to resolve newly formed alluvial land use rights disputes.



- (22) To scrutinize and submit matters concerning shifting cultivation operations to the District Farmland Management Committee; to scrutinize, guide, and supervise the actions of Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committees.
- (23) To submit monthly reports to the District Farmland Management Committee on the pending case lists of completed acceptance, inspection, and handling of farmland use rights disputes and appeals.
- (24) To supervise and control compliance with conditions stipulated in the Farmland Law; to take action against violations.
- (25) To carry out duties assigned from time to time by the Central Farmland Management Committee, the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee, and the District Farmland Management Committee.

**(d) Ward or Village Tract Farmland Management Committee**

- (1) To send applications for farmland use rights received to the Township Administration Office with a scrutiny recommendation within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt.
- (2) If the sale, mortgage, lease, exchange, or donation of farmland use rights complies with the promulgated law, regulations, and directives, to have the contract signed in the presence of the Ward/Village Tract Farmland Management Committee.
- (3) To open and maintain a Ward or Village Tract Farmland Use Rights Permit Registration List (Form-11) recording the farmland use rights holders and the farmland for which rights are granted within the Ward or Village Tract.
- (4) To supervise compliance with the conditions to be followed by farmland use rights holders and to ensure farmland is not left idle without valid reason; to submit to the Township Farmland Management Committee for possible action if not complied with.
- (5) To open the original land case and inspect and decide on farmland use rights disputes.
- (6) To supervise the implementation of the Farmland Management Committee's decision while an appeal against that decision is being entered.



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- (7) To supervise to prevent farmland use rights holders from transferring to a foreigner or foreign-involved organization; to immediately submit to the Township Farmland Management Committee for possible action if a violation is found.
  - (8) To scrutinize and submit applications to change from seasonal crops to other crops on farmland.
  - (9) To scrutinize and submit applications for permission to use farmland for other purposes.
  - (10) To supervise and carry out to prevent damage to buffalo/cattle grazing lands and communal village lands.
  - (11) To submit to the Township Farmland Management Committee to designate the Wards or Villages to be granted newly formed alluvial land use rights based on administrative territory.
  - (12) To conduct field inspections together with the Township Farmland Management Committee and negotiate to resolve newly formed alluvial land use rights disputes that arise between Wards or Village Tract groups within the township.
  - (13) To supervise and control compliance with conditions stipulated in the Farmland Law; to take action against violations.
  - (14) To carry out duties assigned from time to time by the Central Farmland Management Committee, the Region/State/Nay Pyi Taw Council Farmland Management Committee, and the District and Township Farmland Management Committees.
3. The Central Farmland Management Committee's Notification No. 4/2021 dated 12 October 2021 is hereby superseded and repealed by this Notification.

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**Central Farmland Management Committee**



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