

No. FAO No.417/2012- 74871- 975
Government of Himachal Pradesh.
Department of Panchayati Raj.

To

1. All the District Panchayat Officers
in Himachal Pradesh
2. All the Block Development Officers
in Himachal Pradesh

Shimla

Dated

01/09/2021

Subject :- Regarding issuing death certificates under RTI

Sir,

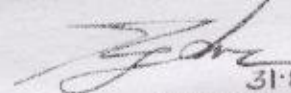
Kindly refer to case No.FAO(MVA)No. 417/2021- titled as Oriental Insurance Company V/s Hira Devi & others on the subject cited above vide which Hon'ble High Court has passed following orders:-

"It is more than settled that entries in Birth and Death Register are public documents and admissible under Section 35 of Indian Evidence Act and it is not necessary to prove who made the entries and what was the source of information.

Taking into consideration the aforesaid facts and circumstances , it is directed that henceforth whenever a copy of death certificate is demanded by any person or authority under Right to Information Act, or even on simple paper, the same shall be given by all the Panchayat Secretaries in the State of Himachal Pradesh, subject to of course on usual charges".

You are therefore, directed to issue instructions to all the Panchayat Secretaries under your jurisdiction to strictly adhere to these instructions in letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully


31-8-2021
Director,

Panchayati Raj Department H.P.
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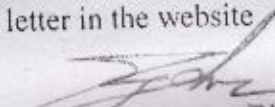
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Programmer PR Department with the directions to upload the letter in the website of the deparment.


31-8-2021
Director,

Panchayati Raj Department, H.P.