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NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 80/2016/TD. Dated, Thirtwananthapuram. 9th August, 2016
25th Karkadakam, 1191.

S. R. O. No. 528/2016.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of section 28B of the Kerala Stamp Act, 1959 (17 of 1959), the Government of Kerala, hereby make the following amendments to the notification issued in G. O. (P) No. 73/2016/TD dated 19th July, 2016 and published as S. R. O. No. 486/2016 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 1279 dated 19th July, 2016, namely:—

AMENDMENT

In the said notification,—

- after the words "Local Self Government Institution concerned" the words, "or the Public Works Department or the Irrigation Department or the Kerala Water Authority, or Chartered Engineers or Approved Valuers or Registered Valuers or Registered Architects/Engineers" shall be inserted.
- 2. The following explanation shall be added at the end, namely:—

Explanation:—For the purpose of this Notification, "Chartered Engineers" means engineers who are registered with the Institution of Engineers (India) Kolkata, "Approved Valuers" means valuers having membership in the Institute of Valuers, India, "Registered Valuers" means valuers who are registered under Section 34AB of the Wealth Tax Act, 1957 issued by the Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Kochi for the State of Kerala and "Registered Architects/Engineers" includes Architects, Building Designer A and Building Designer B, Engineer A and Engineer B. Town Planner A and Town Planner B, registered under Rule 150 of the Kerala Municipality Building Rules, 1999.

By order of the Governor,
P. Mara Pandiyan,
Additional Chief Secretary.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

In the Kerala Stamp Act, 1959 (17 of 1959) a new section 28B has been inserted by the Kerala Finance Bill, 2016. The said section *inter alia* provides that Government may by notification in the Official Gazette authorise a competent authority to issue a valuation certificate of flat/apartment thereunder for determining the value of flat/apartment

conforming to the criteria approved by the Central Public Works Departments. Accordingly, the Government as per G.O. (P) No. 73/2016/TD dated 19th July, 2016 and published as S. R. O. No. 486/2016 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 1279 dated 19th July, 2016 notified an Engineer not below the rank of Assistant Engineer of the Engineering Wing of the Local Self Government Institution concerned to perform the functions of the competent authority thereunder. The Government have noticed that the number of Engineers of the Local Self Government Department being limited may cause delay in issuing Valuation Certificate and thereby make undue hardship to the public. In order to broad base the availability of engineers, the Government have decided to expand the list of engineers who can perform the functions of the competent authority under the said Act.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.