

Land Pooling Policy to be cleared by May 7: CM

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Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Monday assured the Federation of Housing Societies and Developers in Delhi and the Delhi Dehat Kisan Morcha that Aam Admi Party (AAP) Government in Delhi will clear the Land Pooling Policy (LPP) by May 7.

According to the Federation Secretary Satish Kumar Agarwal, the office-bearers of the Federation and the Kisan

Morcha met Delhi CM and sought early approval of the Land Pooling Policy that has been stuck with the Delhi Government since May 2015 after it was cleared by the Union Urban Development Ministry.

"We have informed the Chief Minister that the delay on part of the Delhi Government in declaring 89 villages as urban villages and 95 villages as development areas is delaying the development of Delhi," said Agarwal.

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only provide affordable housing to lakhs of people who have already invested over ₹35,000 crore by purchasing land, but also give boost to social and economic infrastructure of the capital," Agarwal added.

"The delay in approval to LPP was hurting interests of farmers as they are forced to sell land cheap due to lower circle rates. Once the policy is cleared, circle rates will go up which will help farmers to sell their land

at higher rates," he said further. Moreover, it will also help the Delhi Government to earn more revenue due to increase in circle rates," he added.

Land pooling Policy was notified by the Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD) on September 5, 2013 while the regulations for operationalisation of the policy were approved on May 26, 2015 by the ministry itself.

The two units of MCD have passed resolutions in their respective houses and send their consents to the Delhi Government for further statutory approvals.

In its Master Plan 2021, the DDA has chalked out extension of urban areas in the outskirts of Delhi that will provide housing to over 10-lakh families in the lines of Dwarka and Rohini sub-cities.

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