

THE PRIME MINISTER

DIRECTIVE No. 18/1999/CT-TTg of July 1st, 1999 on a number of measures to step up the completion of the granting of agricultural, forest and rural land-use right certificates by the year 2000

To ensure that the granting of land-use right certificates is basically completed in 1999 for agricultural land and by 2000 for forest and rural residential land as stated in the National Assembly's and Government's resolutions, the Prime Minister requests the General Director of the Land Administration and the presidents of the People's Committees of the provinces and centrally-run cities to seriously direct the implementation of the Prime Minister's Directive No.10/1998/CT-TTg of February 20, 1998 and immediately do the following things in order to step up the granting of land-use right certificates and complete it by the year 2000:

- On the basis of the existing documents and diagrams concerning the allotment of land to family households, if the land in use by the heads of family

households is not disputed and such heads of family households make self-declarations and take self-responsibility for the land area they are using, they shall be granted the land-use right certificates. The measuring shall be conducted later to determine the official figures to be added to the land-use right certificates.

- To exempt the fee of granting land-use right certificates for people of 1,715 poor communes in deep-lying, far-flung and high-mountain regions as well as of border communes.

- The provincial People's Committees shall be entitled to use the local reserve funds to meet the requirements of stepping up the granting of land-use right certificates.

- For agricultural land area in cities, provincial towns and townships, if there's a planning on the urban expansion and construction of industrial parks or population areas but such planning shall not be carried out in the coming years, the agricultural land-use right certificates shall still be issued to people so that they feel assured in their production.

- Regarding land in urban and rural areas related to the fluctuations in the transfer of the land use right, for which the land-use levy and the land-

use right transfer tax have not been paid yet, before granting the land-use right certificates, the provincial/municipal People's Committees are allowed to record such amounts as the debits on the land-use right certificates and family households, which receive such certificates shall have to repay the debts by installments or in lump-sum if they exercise the rights stipulated in the Government's Decree No.17/1998/ND-CP of March 29, 1999.-