

HOUSING DEPT TO REMOVE CAP ON NUMBER OF FLATS PER ACRE

MOHALI: In a builder-friendly decision, the department of housing has decided that they will put no restriction on the number of flats per acre. Also, the family size per house was reduced from five persons to 4.5 persons per family.

The decision was taken in a meeting of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Board (PRTPD) presided over by Punjab chief minister Captain Amarinder Singh and held in Chandigarh on Thursday.

The department officials decided to bring uniformity in zoning regulations and development controls of the master plans of different cities and towns.

The decision was taken to avoid ambiguity prevailing among public pertaining to zoning regulations. The decision will be applicable to all master plans in the state, except for the master plans of New Chandigarh and Mohali.

“In another decision, the amendment in master plan of Rajpura was approved, resulting in conversion of agricultural land at Dbali Klan, Mangpur, Bhappal, Kotla, Mirzapur and Gaddo Majra villages into industrial zone to provide employment to residents of these villages and the surrounding areas,” said a housing department official.

Agendas of development authorities under the housing department were taken up separately. All agendas, including revised budget estimates of 2016-17 and budget estimates of 2017-18 were approved in the meeting.

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