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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract.

Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1967 - effective implementation
of the rules - Instructions issued.

Industries (G) Department.

G.O.Ms.No.302/78/TB Dated, Trivandrum 9-6-1978.

Read:- 1. G.O.Ms. No.271/78/TB dt. 11-7-1978.

2. Notification No.20044/63/TB 11-7-1978.

O R D E R

As per the notification read above Government have appointed officers of Revenue, Municipality, Panchayat and Forest Departments in addition to the Director of Mining and Geology under clause (iv) of Rule 3 of Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1967 to exercise the powers and perform functions, of the competent Authority under the said rules. The following instructions are also issued for the effective implementation of the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967 for the guidance of the officers.

i) Irrespective of the department issuing quarrying permit for the extraction of minor minerals the royalty due under the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession rules 1967 should be collected in addition to the compensation or other dues collected under Kerala Land Conservancy Act 1957, the Kerala Panchayat Act 1960, the Kerala Municipalities Act 1960 and the Kerala Forest Act, 1961 and remitted under the receipt head of the Department of Mining & Geology.

ii) The Authority issuing quarrying permit shall intitiate the Geologist in charge of the concerned District and the concerned Regional Office of the Department of Mining & Geology as the case may be regarding the issue of the permit in order to enable them to inspect the quarries, watch collection of royalty and ensure the compliance of the provisions of the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1967, the Mines Act 1952 and the Metaliferous Mines Regulation, 1961.

iii) The party which is engaged in collecting the minor minerals shall submit a copy of the statement regarding collection of the minor mineral to the Department of Mining and Geology in addition to submitting the same to the authorities issuing the permit so as to enable both the departments to verify that the collection of royalty has been made according to rules. The authorities issuing the permits should issue suitable instructions to the parties accordingly while issuing permits.

iv) Any person aggrieved by any order made by the competent authority or authorised officer as the case may be within two months from the date of communication of the order to him prefer an appeal to the appellate authority appointed by the State Government by notification in the Gazette. Any person aggrieved by the order of the appellate authority may, within a month from the date of communication of the order to him, prefer a second appeal to the final appellate authority for revision or review of the order.

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v) The Director of Mining and Geology or any other officer authorised by him in this behalf shall be the sole authority to issue dealer's licences, quarrying permits and quarrying leases for collection of limeshell in any part of the state. The Director of Mining and Geology or any other officer authorised by him in this behalf shall also be the sole authority to issue quarrying leases in respect of minor minerals over the entire state.

By Order of the Governor

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Joint Secretary to Government.

Sd/-For Chief Conservator of Forests.

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