GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Sand Mining Policy, 2019 - Promotion of Manufactured Sand in place of River Sand in construction activity - Subsidy on interest @ 3% per annum (Pavalavaddi scheme) for upgrading the existing stone crusher units to M-Sand units - Orders - Issued.

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INDUSTRIES, INFRASTRUCTURE, INVESTMENT AND COMMERCE (MINES-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 92 Dated: 04-11-2019

Order:-

While the demand for quality river sand keeps escalating every year, the supply is dwindling. As a result, use of Manufactured Sand, popularly known as M-Sand has to be promoted which was done in various states like Karnataka, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat.

2. Manufactured sand is produced by crushing rocks, quarry stones or larger aggregate pieces into sand sized particles. Rocks or quarry stones are blasted and subjected to a series of crushing cycles to reduce the particles to the size of 150 microns matching the size of naturally occurring sand. The produced sand is then sieved and washed to remove fine particles and impurities and tested for various quality aspects before it is deemed fit as a construction aggregate.

3. To have immediate relief and availability of M-Sand as a supplement to the river sand, a proposal for converting the existing stone crusher units to M-Sand Units have been examined.

4. M-Sand unit for the purpose of availing incentive is defined as a crushing unit which produces at-least 50% of its total produce (which includes aggregates) as M-Sand.

5. After careful examination of the matter, Government hereby decided to provide subsidy on interest at the rate of 3% per annum (Pavalavaddi scheme) on facility up-gradation costs (ranging from Rs.50-150 lakhs) for upgrading the existing stone crusher units to M-Sand units within a period of six(6) months, which involves an outlay of Rs.186.50 crores for five (5) years at the rate of Rs.37.30 crores per year.

6. The Director of Mines & Geology, AP, Ibrahimpatnam shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K. RAMGOPAL
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES)

To
The Director of Mines & Geology, GoAP, Ibrahimpatnam.
All District Collectors in the State.

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All Joint Directors of Mines & Geology.  }
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All Assistant Directors of Mines & Geology  } Mines & Geology
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The Genl. Admn. (Cabinet) Dept. (with reference to Council resolution
No.387/2019, Dt.31.10.2019)
The PS to Secy. to CM.
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