

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS - Imposition of stringent punishment with imprisonment upto two (2) years and a fine of Rs.2,00,000/-(Rupees Two Lakhs) for illegal stocking/hoarding/black marketing/re sale of sand - Amendment to Andhra Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 - Orders – Issued

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INDUSTRIES, INFRASTRUCTURE, INVESTMENTS & COMMERCE (MINES-II)
DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 99

Dated: 15-11-2019
Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.70, I.I.I & C (M.II) Dept., Dt:04.09.2019
2. G.O.Ms.No.71, I.I.I & C (M.II) Dept., Dt:04.09.2019
3. G.O.Ms.No.72, I.I.I & C (M.II) Dept., Dt:04.09.2019
4. G.O.Ms.No.73, I.I.I & C (M.II) Dept., Dt:04.09.2019
5. G.O.Ms.No.86, I.I.I & C (M.II) Dept., Dt:11.10.2019
6. Govt.Memo No.MG0POLI/18/2019, Dt.23.10.2019
7. Govt.Memo No.MG0POLI/18/2019, Dt.28.10.2019

ORDER :

In the G.O. 1st read above, Government have introduced a New Sand Policy -2019 in order to achieve the objectives of sustainable sand mining, compliance to environmental regulations, ensuring affordable prices of sand and raising valuable public revenues to the state exchequer.

2. In the G.O. 2nd read above, Government have issued orders amending the Rule 9-B of Andhra Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966.

3. During the review meetings on implementation of New Sand Policy in the State, certain instances of illegal stocking/hoarding/black-Marketing/re-sale of sand practiced by some persons has been brought to the notice of the Government thereby hampering the objective of the Government in ensuring affordable prices of sand to the public.

4. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, have decided to curb the illegal activity by imposing stringent punishment to the persons involved in illegal stocking/hoarding/black-Marketing/re-sale of sand and accordingly hereby order to impose a punishment with imprisonment upto two (2) years and a fine of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs) on the persons involved in illegal stocking/hoarding/black- Marketing/re-sale of sand.

5. Accordingly, the following amendment to sub-rule 16 (e) of rule 9- B of APMMC Rules, 1966 is issued with immediate effect.

Existing rule	Amendment
(e) If any stock of sand beyond a person's reasonable requirement is stocked/hoarded/blackMarketed/sold, it shall be seized by the officer authorized under sub-rule 16 (f) of rule 9-B. The person shall be penalized as per sub-rule 16 (d) of rule 9 -B.	(e) If any stock of sand beyond a person's reasonable requirement is stocked /hoarded/ black marketed /re-sold, it shall be seized by the officer authorized under sub-rule 16 (f) of rule 9-B.

	The person shall be punishable with imprisonment upto 2 years and a fine of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs). The seized sand shall be disposed as per sub-rule 16 (h) of Rule 9-B after obtaining orders from the competent authority.
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6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Andhra Pradesh and the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, M/s. Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., Vijayawada shall take necessary action accordingly.

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

K. RAMGOPAL
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (M)

To

The Director of Mines & Geology, A.P, Ibrahimpatnam.

The VC & MD, APMDC Ltd., Kanuru, Vijayawada

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All the District Collectors in the State of A.P.

All the Superintendents of Police in the State.

The Revenue/Home/Water Resources/Finance/LAW Departments.

All the JD/DD and ADMG's through the DMG.

All the District Treasury Officers in the State of A.P.

The Director, Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Vijayawada.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Vijayawada.

The Accountant General of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

The P.S. to Secretary to CM/CS

The P.S. to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister for Revenue

The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for PR & RD and Mines & Geology

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The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for Housing

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The Finance (FMU-REV-I&C) Department

The Law (H) Department.

The G.A. (Cabinet) Department w.r.t U.O. No.397/2019, dated.14-11-2019

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