

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**ABSTRACT**

MINES & MINERALS - AMENDMENTS TO ANDHRA PRADESH MINOR MINERAL  
CONCESSION RULES, 1966 - ORDERS - ISSUED

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**INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (MINES-III) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.MS.No. 65

Dated: 04-08-2021.  
Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.1172, Ind. & Com. Dept, dt:04.09.1967
2. G.O.Ms.No.56, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, dt:30.04.2016
3. G.O.Ms.No.29, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, dt:15.02.2017
4. G.O.Ms.No.51, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, dt:28.03.2018
5. G.O.Ms.No.87, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, dt:01.08.2018
6. G.O.Ms.No.53, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, dt:27.02.2019
7. G.O.Ms.No.90, Ind. & Com. (M.III) Dept, dt:17.12.2020
8. From the DM&G, A.P., Lr.No.4072/P/2021, dated:07.07.2021.
9. From the DM&G, A.P., in single e-file 1450350, dated:02.08.2021

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**O R D E R:-**

In the letter 8<sup>th</sup> read above and in the single file 9<sup>th</sup> read above, the DM&G., AP., while giving proper justification, has requested the Government to issue of amendments to the existing rules i.e. Rule 7(A)(v), 9(iii), 9(iv), 12 (2), 12(3), 12(4), 12(5)(a)(i), 12(5)(a)(ii), 12(5)(c) , 12(5)(h)(xi)(i), 12(6) and 14 of the AP Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966, in order to facilitate the operationalization of leases for minor minerals and to safeguard the revenues to the State exchequer.

2. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided to accept the proposal of the Director of Mines & Geology, A.P., and to issue necessary amendments to the AP Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 as subsequently amended.

3. Accordingly, the following Notification will be published in an Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated:04.08.2021.

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act 67 of 1957), as amended from time to time, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 issued in G.O.Ms.No.1172, Industries & Commerce (B.I) Department, 4th September, 1967 as subsequently amended.

## **AMENDMENTS**

1. In the said rules,-

- I. In rule 7(A)(v),
- a) after the words, "The Deputy Director concerned shall take decision to grant precise area for the said purpose and communicate such decision to the applicant," the words "**upon receipt of a Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent and shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account**" shall be inserted.
- b) the following proviso shall be added to the existing rule before the existing proviso, namely;-
- "Provided also that Director, upon receipt of proposal from Deputy Director concerned, may grant second extension of time, not exceeding one year, for submission of EC and CFE, if the applicant had sufficient cause for non submission of the said approvals within the specified time with reasons recorded in writing and "**
- II. In rule 9(iii), the words, "on payment of seigniorage fee in advance." shall be substituted with the words "**for quantities on payment of Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent, Seigniorage fee, Contribution towards DMF & MERIT, an additional consideration amount and other applicable taxes and cess as specified in these rules in advance.**
- Provided that, permission for excavation of such quantities exceeding 5,000 CBM shall be granted by Assistant Director of Mines & Geology with prior approval of Director of Mines & Geology.**
- Provided further that the Premium amount shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account."**
- III. In rule 9(iv), the words " Sixty " shall be substituted with the words "**ninety**"
- IV. In rule 12(2) the words, " also the minerals specified under items at Sl.No. 1 to 3(a) under Schedule-I to Rule 10 " shall be substituted with the words, "**Building Stone, Rough Stone/Boulders, Manufactured Sand, Road Metal & Ballast and Dimensional Stone used for Kerbs & Cubes "**
- V. In rule 12(3) the words " minor minerals under items at Sl.No. 1 to 3(a) of Schedule-I to Rule 10 " shall be substituted with the words "**Building Stone, Rough Stone/Boulders, Manufactured Sand,**

## **Road Metal & Ballast and Dimensional Stone used for Kerbs & Cubes "**

VI. After sub rule(3) of rule 12, the following shall be added namely;-

"12(4): In cases where the quarry lease holders fail to apply for renewal of the lease of the areas within ninety days before the expiry of the lease held by them, as required under sub-rule (2) of Rule 13, fresh application for grant of quarry lease, in respect of those areas, will be entertained thirty days before the expiry of the lease.

**Provided that, the Deputy Director shall grant a renewal upon receipt of a Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent and shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account"**

vi. In rule 12(5)(a)(i), the following proviso shall be added namely;-  
**"Provided that, the Director shall grant a Lease upon receipt of a Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent and shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account."**

vii. In rule 12(5)(a)(ii), after the words, "Seigniorage fee", the following shall be added namely;- **" Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent, Contribution towards DMF & MERIT and an additional consideration amount and other applicable taxes and cess as specified in these rules in advance.**

**Provided further that the Premium amount shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account."**

viii. In rule 12(5)(c),

a) after the words, "On receipt of an application for the grant of a Q.L., the Director shall take decision to grant precise area for the said purpose and communicate such decision" the words, **"upon receipt of a Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent and shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account,"** shall be inserted.

b) The following proviso shall be added to the existing rule before the existing proviso namely:-

**"Provided also that Director may grant second extension of time, not exceeding one year, for submission of EC and CFE, if the applicant had sufficient cause for non submission of the**

**said approvals within the specified time with reasons recorded in writing and."**

- ix. In rule 12(5)(c)(iii), the following proviso shall be added namely;-  
**"Provided also that the Director shall appropriate the Security Deposit based on the shortfall of production in the respective year i.e., a sum equivalent to Seigniorage fee + DMF + MERIT + Additional Consideration amount + other applicable taxes and cess (X) shortfall in production for the respective year (i.e., minimum production requirements as specified in Schedule IV (minus) actual annual production)**

**Provided however that if shortfall of production occurred for reasons beyond the control of the Leaseholder, then the Security Deposit shall not be appropriated for such shortfall."**

- x. In rule 12(5)(h)(xi)(i), the following proviso shall be added namely;- "  
**Provided also that the Director shall grant a upon receipt of a Premium amount which is equivalent to ten times annual dead rent and shall be remitted to 0853-102-81 Head of Account."**

- xi. In rule 12(6), the following proviso shall be added namely;-

**"Provided also that these areas may be reserved by the Government in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited in the interest of mineral conservation."**

- xii. In rule 14, after the words, "a sum equivalent to", the following shall be substituted;

**"five times annual dead rent.**

**Provided also that the existing leaseholders shall deposit a differential sum which is equivalent to five times annual dead rent minus security deposit already furnished, within three (3) months from the date of notification of these Rules.**

**Failing which, action shall be initiated against the defaulters under these rules by giving the defaulters a reasonable opportunity.**

**Provided also that in case an applicant or a leaseholder expires, the successor(s) of the deceased person shall be considered as the applicant or the leaseholder respectively. In such cases, the Security Deposit already paid shall also be considered in the name of the successor(s) of the deceased person."**

xiii. In the Andhra Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1966, wherever the words "31 minerals mentioned at Sl.No.18 to 48 in Schedule-I of rule 10"

occur, the words "**31 minerals declared as minor minerals vide GSR No.423 (E), dt:10.02.2015 issued by Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India, New Delhi**" shall be substituted.

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

**GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES)**

To

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchases (Printing Wing) Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada. (with a request to publish the above notification and arrange to send 100 copies of the same to the Government in Industries & Commerce (M.III) Department and 50 copies to the Director of Mines & Geology, A.P., Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Andhra Pradesh, Ibrahimpatnam.

The Chief Executive Officer, MERIC, Vijayawada.

All the Joint Director /Deputy Director / Asst. Director of Mines & Geology through the Director of Mines & Geology, Ibrahimpatnam.

Copy to:

The Secretary to Govt, Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India, Shastry Bhawan, New Delhi.

The Law Department.

The Finance Department.

The P.S to Minister for Mines & Geology.

The PS to Prl. Secretary to Govt., (Mines).

SF/SC(C.No.1450350).

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