GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (MINES) DEPARTMENT

Memo.No.1562/M.I(1)2016-2

Date: 05.08.2016

Sub: Mines & Quarries – Regulation of sand extraction and availability for local utilization in I, II & III Streams and IV, V & VI streams wherever I, II & III Streams are not available – Certain model guidelines as per the Telangana State Sand-Mining Rules, 2015 – Amendments – Reg.

Ref: 1) Memo No.1562/M.I(1)2016-1, dt:17-03-2016
2) From the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, TSMDC, Hyderabad Letter No.TSMDC/GM(M)/Amend/2016-17/297, dt:07.07.2016.

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In the reference 1st cited, Government have issued certain model guidelines as per the Telangana State Sand Mining Rules, 2015 for regulation of sand extraction and availability for local utilization in I, II & III Streams and IV, V & VI streams wherever I, II & III Streams are not available. In the reference 2nd cited, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Telangana State Mineral Development Corporation Limited (TSMDC) proposed certain amendments in Memo cited for effective utilization of local sand by decentralizing certain powers.

AMENDMENT:

In the reference 1st cited, in Clause No.4 after Sub-Clause II, the following shall be substituted; namely:

1) Regulation of sand extraction for local use in IV, V and above order Streams/Rivers by concerned District Collector:

Sand extraction shall not be permitted in notified over-exploited areas of order I and II streams except for local use in villages or towns bordering the streams for bonafied purposes other than commercial operations/public trading/stocking etc. Wherever, I, II and III order streams are not available, DLSC of concerned districts can take a conscious and reasoned decision to execute the sand extraction to meet the local use purpose from the IV and above order streams. Whenever the DLSC takes the conscious and reasoned decision to utilize IV and above order streams for local use, the area must be less than five hectares. The local use is strictly only for the use within the District; and it will be for such uses as defined and permitted by the DLSC. Sand will be sold for local use from those reaches for the prices fixed by the DLSC. The extraction of the sand must be through manual and transportation shall be through bullock cart/tractors only.

i) The Chairman, District Level Sand Committee shall order for Joint Inspection of identified sand bearing areas and obtain reports from the following.

- The Ground Water Department shall furnish the feasibility report under Water, Land and Tree Rules, 2004 or any suitable subsequent rules/amendments to be issued from time to time by Government from time to time with Geo-coordinates of the specified sand bearing areas, with specific recommendations on the mode of sand extraction.
- The Executive Engineer/River Conservator shall issue clearance for the ramps with Geo-coordinates.
- The Revenue Department shall demarcate the specified sand bearing area and furnish plan on village map. (GPS Coordinates must be fixed by Survey Department)
- The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology shall arrive at the quantity of sand basing on the Ground Water Department feasibility report.
Based on the above reports, concern DLSC shall finalize the specified area and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, of the concerned District shall obtain all statutory clearances like Approved Mining Plan, Environment Clearance, CFE & CFO in the name of concerned Tahsildar of the Mandal.

TSMDC on behalf of the State Government will place one qualified consultant for each District at the disposal of the AD mines of the concerned District for assisting the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology for obtaining the statutory clearances.

2) In the reference 1st cited, in Clause 7, the following shall be substituted; namely:-

The District Level Sand Committee based on the local circumstances can decide upon a suitable administrative mechanism by duly issuing any further guidelines in this regard.

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To,
All the District Collectors in the State.
The Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad.
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Telangana State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., Hyderabad.
All the Deputy Directors/Assistant Directors of Mines and Geology through the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.
The Revenue (LA) Department.
The Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department.
The Irrigation & CAP Department.
The Director of Ground Water Department.
The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj Department.
All the Gram Panchayats through the Commissioner of Panchayat Raj Dept.,

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