

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Mines and Minerals - Rules- Telangana Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 - Auction of Minor Minerals - Amendment - Notification - Orders - Issued.

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INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE (MINES-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.26,

Dated:31-03-2022  
Read the following:

From the Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad Letter  
No.1247095/P/2021, dated: 22-09-2021

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**ORDER:**

The Director of Mines and Geology, Telangana, has submitted proposal in the reference read above and stated that presently, quarry leases are granted on first-cum-first basis. To remove discretion, maintain transparency and to augment mining revenue, it is proposed to grant leases for minor minerals except ordinary sand and areas reserved under Rule 9-A through auction. The Director of Mines and Geology further stated that all pending applications for Minor Minerals shall stand cancelled and requested for amendments to Rule-4, Rule-7, Rule-12 and Rule-13 of Telangana Minor Mineral Concession Rule, 1966.

2. After careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Mines and Geology, Telangana, it is hereby decided to grant the leases for minor minerals except ordinary sand and areas reserved under Rule 9-A through auction except otherwise provided by amending Rule 4, Rule 7, Rule 12 and Rule 13 of Telangana Minor Mineral Concession Rule, 1966. Further all pending applications shall also stand cancelled.

3. Accordingly, the following Notification will be published in an Extra-Ordinary Issue of Telangana State Gazette.

**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), the Government of Telangana hereby issue the following amendments to the Telangana Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966.

**AMENDMENTS**

**In the Said Rules:-**

**i) In Rule-4, after clause (k), clause (l) shall be added as follows:**

“Auction’ means a system of competitive bidding by way of open auction including electronic auction and any other competitive bidding process.”

**ii) In Rule-7, the following shall be substituted:**

For the words “When an application for grant of quarry lease is filed over any area” shall be replaced as “When an area is identified for grant of quarry lease”

**iii) In Rule 12, sub-rule (1) shall be replaced as follows:**

“The Minor Mineral Concessions except ordinary sand and areas reserved under Rule 9-A shall be granted through auction. The procedure for grant of Minor Mineral Concessions in Government lands through auction and the procedure for grant of Minor Mineral Concessions in Patta lands shall be prescribed by the State Government. All applications for minor minerals received prior to the date of commencement of these amendments to Telangana Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1966, shall become ineligible.

A transfer/renewal of a quarry lease for any minor mineral shall be granted on application. Each such application for transfer/renewal of quarry lease shall be accompanied by a treasury or bank challan for rupees one lakh towards application fee for Minor Minerals specified in Schedule I of Rule 10 except Black Granite, Colour Granite, Marble, 31 Minerals and rupees one thousand for Gravel/Morrum in token of remittance towards fees.”

iv) In Rule 12, sub-rule (2) and sub-rule (3) shall be omitted.

v) In Rule 12, sub-rule (5)(a)(i) shall be replaced as follows:

“A transfer/renewal of a prospecting license or quarry lease for Black Granite, Colour Granite, Marble and 31 Minerals shall be granted on application. Each such application for transfer/renewal of quarry lease shall be accompanied by a treasury or bank challan for rupees two lakhs towards application fee for Black Granite, Colour Granite, Marble and 31 Minerals”

vi) In Rule-12, sub-rule(5)(a)(ii), sub-rule(5)(a)(iii), sub-rule(5)(a)(iv), sub-rule(5)(b), sub-rule (5)(c) and sub-rule (5)(d) shall be omitted.

vii) In Rule 13, sub-rule (1) shall be replaced as follows:

The Deputy Director shall grant mineral concessions for existing minor minerals except ordinary sand as per Rule 12 (1).

4. These orders will come into effect from 01<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

5. The Director of Mines & Geology, Telangana, shall take necessary action accordingly.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.2012-A/89/EBS.VII/I&C/2021, dated:22-09-2021.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

SOMESH KUMAR  
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT &  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES & GEOLOGY)(FAC)

To,

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationary & Stores Purchase (Ptg. Wing) Hyderabad.

(He is requested to publish the above Notification in the Extra-Ordinary issue of Telangana Gazette, and arrange to send 500 copies of the same to Government in Industries & Commerce (M.I) Department).

The Director of Mines and Geology, Telangana State, Hyderabad

The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Telangana State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., Hyderabad.

All the Joint Director/Deputy Director/Assistant Directors of Mines and Geology through the Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad

**Copy to:**

The Secretary to Government, Ministry of Mines, Govt of India.

The Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.

The Finance Department.

P.S. to Chief Secretary and Principal Secretary to Government (Mines and Geology), Industries and Commerce Department.

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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER