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NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 31/2014/ID. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th February, 2014.

S. R. O. No. 191/2014.—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 Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967 issued under Notification No. 15203/E2/63/ID dated 24th November, 1967 and published as S.R.O. No. 364/67 in Part I of the Kerala Gazette No. 49 dated 12th December, 1967, namely:—

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2014.
- (2) They shall come into force at once.

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2. *Amendment of the Rules.*—In the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967.—

- (i) in sub-rule (7) of rule 5, for the words “the District Collector concerned”, the words “the Tahsildar concerned” shall be substituted;
- (ii) In rule 57, after clause (ba) of sub-rule (2) the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(bb) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, a contractor in the employ of the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation quarrying minor minerals from the land acquired for Kochi Metro Rail Project including Purambokes, for bonafide purposes, coming under the works of the Kochi Metro Rail Project, shall be exempted from obtaining a quarrying permit or quarrying lease and payment of royalty for removing minor minerals.

By order of the Governor,

P. H. KURIAN,

Principal Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967 were framed to regulate extraction and movement of minor minerals in the State of Kerala. As per sub-rule (7) of rule 5 along with the application for quarrying permit for ordinary earth, the applicant has to produce No Objection Certificate from the District Collector concerned. As the number of applications for quarrying of ordinary earth is very high the District Collectors have requested the Government to delegate the power of grant of such No Objection Certificate to the Tahsildars concerned. Hence the Government have decided to delegate such power to officers not below the rank of Tahsildar of the Department of Land Revenue. The Government have exempted the Indian Railways from obtaining permit or quarrying lease and payment of royalty for extraction of ordinary earth from the lands owned by it for the works coming under it. Now, the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has requested similar exemption for quarrying Minor Mineral from their land. Hence Government have also decided to exempt Delhi Metro Rail Corporation from obtaining permit or quarrying lease and payment of royalty for extraction of minor minerals. In these circumstances the Government have decided to amend the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967, for the above propose.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.