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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Industries (A) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 175/2015/ID.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 22nd December 2015.

S. R. O. No. 875/2015.—In exercise of 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 Rule, 2015 issued under G.O. (P) No.16/2015/ID. dated 7th February, 2015 and published as S.R.O. No.72/2015 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 288 dated 7th February, 2015, namely:—

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RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession (Third Amendment) Rules, 2015.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.*—In the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2015, in proviso to rule 9, after the words “Laterite Building Stone” the words “and Ordinary Clay” shall be inserted.

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, 2015 were framed by the Government of Kerala to regulate extraction of minor minerals in the State. As per the existing rules, the application for quarrying permit for extraction of Ordinary Clay have to be submitted along with the application a No Objection Certificate from the District Collector based on the recommendations of the District Expert Committee, and bank guarantee from any Nationalized/Scheduled Bank at the rate of ₹ 300 (Rupees Three Hundred only) per cubic meter for the purpose of reclamation of pits and to produce environmental clearance obtained from the State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority. Since short term permits only are granted for ordinary clay, the period of permit normally does not exceed three months. As the environmental clearance has been made mandatory for the extraction of ordinary clay for a short duration, the traditional industries using ordinary clay are facing many hardships. In these circumstances, the Government have decided to exempt environmental clearance for granting short term quarrying permits for ordinary clay and hence this notification. The notification is intended to achieve the above object.
