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**KERALA GAZETTE**

**അസാധാരണം**  
**EXTRAORDINARY**

**ആധികാരികമായി പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തുന്നത്**  
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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Industries (A) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 05/2015/ID. *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12th January, 2015*  
*28th Dhanu, 1190.*

**S. R. O. No. 27/2015.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 62 of Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967, the Government of Kerala hereby authorise the following officers of the Department of Mining and Géology to exercise the powers of the State Government to approve the mining plans in respect of mines specified by the Central Government for the development of mineral deposits in the area concerned under clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Act 67 of 1957), namely:—

- (1) Director, Mining and Geology Department.
- (2) Additional Director, Mining and Geology Department.
- (3) All District Geologists of Mining and Geology Department.

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.)

As per clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 the State Government have the power to approve the mining plans in respect of mines specified by the Central Government for the Development of mineral deposits in the area concerned.

As per the Office Memorandum No. J-13012/12/2013-IA-II (1), dated 24th December, 2013 of the Ministry of Environment and Forest, a mining plan is necessary for Category-B2 projects, in order to fulfil the requirement of Environmental clearance, from the competent authority.

Rule 62 of the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1967 empowers the State Government to delegate all or any of the powers vested in them to any officer or class of officers under them by notification in the Official Gazette.

As the Director of Mining and Geology is not competent to approve the mining plan, various applications for quarrying operations are pending in his Office. Hence, Government have decided to authorise the Director of Mining and Geology, Additional Director and all District Geologists of Mining and Geology Department to exercise the power for the approval of mining plans of minor mineral projects.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.