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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

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NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 1/2020/ID.

*Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.  
19<sup>th</sup> Dhanu, 1195.*

**S. R. O. No. 9/2020**

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, 2015 issued by notification under G. O. (P) No. 16/2015/ID dated 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2015 and published as S.R.O. No. 72/2015 in the Kerala Extraordinary Gazette No. 288 dated 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2015, namely:-



## RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*- (1) These Rules may be called the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2020.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.*- In Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2015,- in Form N, after condition No. 3, the following condition shall be inserted, namely:-

“3A. In case the quarrying is carried out for the sole purpose of supply of ordinary earth to Government works, the permit holder shall not carry on or allowed to be carried on any quarrying operations at or to any points within a distance of 25 metres from the boundary or boundaries of adjacent properties or 50 metres from any bridge, reservoir, tanks, and canals or other public works except with the previous permission of the State Government. In such a case the permit holder shall abide by the conditions imposed by the State Government which are found proper and necessary.”

By order of the Governor,

**Dr. K. ELLANGOVAN,**  
*Principal Secretary to Government.*

### Explanatory Note

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

The Government of Kerala have framed the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2015 issued by notification under G. O. (P) No. 16/2015/ID dated 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015 and published as S.R.O No. 72/2015 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.288 dated 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2015 to regulate extraction of minor minerals in the State. Unscientific extraction of ordinary earth close to another property may eventually lead to ordinary earth slip or debris flow which may cause damages to property and even loss of life. Hence excavation in areas at a distance of lesser than 25 metres from adjacent property or 50 metres from the adjacent building is permitted, if consent from the land/ building owner is produced. As the landholding in Kerala is less, it is difficult to find suitable locations for extraction of large quantity of ordinary earth required for Government works like construction of roads. It was brought to the notice of the Government that if ordinary earth is excavated scientifically then there is no requirement for leaving 25 metres from the adjacent property and 50 metres from the adjacent building. Hence the Government have decided to permit quarrying operation for the above said purpose, within the above said distance with the previous permission of the Government by mandating proper study by the Government engineers who supervise the Government work and to excavate ordinary earth scientifically based on the recommendations of the engineers and stipulated that such excavation shall be carried out only as per the guidelines and conditions stipulated by the Government and hence the amendment.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

