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GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINING ITANAGAR

NOTIFICATION

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No.DGM/AMM/MMR/2005-06.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957), and in supersession of the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2002, except in respect of commission or omission done before such supersession, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh is hereby pleased to make the following rules for concession of minor minerals in the State of Arunachal Pradesh and for matters incidental thereto:-

CHAPTER-I PRELIMINARY

1. Short title, extent and commencement:

- (1) These rules may be called the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2020.
- (2) These rules shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) These rules shall apply to the grant and regulation of Mining Leases and other mineral concessions in respect of Minor Minerals and for purposes connected therewith in the whole State of Arunachal Pradesh

2. Definitions:

- (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
 - (a) "Act" means the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957);
 - (b) "Agreement" means an agreement to mining and carry away one or more minor minerals specified therein;
 - (c) "Air Pollution" shall have the meaning as assigned to it under clause (b) of Section 2 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (No. 14 of 1981);
 - (d) "Appellate Authority" means the Secretary (Geology & Mining), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh;
 - (e) "Assessee" means a person holding a Mining Lease or Mining Permit and includes any other person who holds a mine of minor minerals granted under these rules, save as exempted under rules;
 - (f) "Assessing Officer" means officer posted in the district;
 - (g) "Assessment" means the assessment levied under these rules with reference to the extent of minor minerals extracted;
 - (h) "Assessment Year" means the yearly period beginning from the date of commencement of the lease and ending on 31st December for the first year of the lease and thereafter from 1st January to 31st December or part thereof;

- (i) "Association" means a body of persons associated for objects and promotion of the economic interest of its members and is so registered under the relevant Act and Rules.
- (j) "Auction Money" means the price quoted by the bidders to be paid on the basis of Rupees per cubic meter /metric ton or any other standard unit to the State Government on monthly basis for mineral dispatched from the lease area";
- (k) "Authorized Officers of Government", means the respective officers of Department of Geology and Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh authorized by competent authority.
- (I) "Competent Authority" means the Secretary of Geology & Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
- (m) "Composite Licence" means prospecting licence-cum-Mining lease granted under Rule 7";
- (n) "Co-operative Society" has the same meaning as assigned to it under the Arunachal Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1978.
- (o) "Corporation" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under the Arunachal Pradesh Municipal Corporation Act, 2019;
- (p) "Dead Rent" and "Royalty" shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them under the Act;
- (q) "Department" means Department of Geology and Mining, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh;
- (r) "Deputy Commissioner" means, Deputy Commissioner of District.
- (s) "Director" means the Director, Geology and Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh;
- (t) "Electronic Auction" means an electronic auction through an online electronic platform, which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard guidelines notified by the state Govt where dynamic bidding is carried out in forward ascending mode through a two stage process as explained under these Rules;
- (u) **"Electronic Tendering"** means tendering through an online electronic platform, which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard guidelines.
- (v) **"Environment"** shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under clause (a) of Section 2 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986);
- (w) "Financial Assurance" means the sureties furnished by the Mining Lease holder, Mining Permit holder to the Competent Authority, so as to indemnify the authorities against the reclamation and rehabilitation cost:
- (x) **"Floor Price"** means the highest initial price offered amongst the Technically Qualified Bidders in Stage-I of e-auction and is an amount in Rupees per cubic meter /metric ton".
- (y) **"Form"** means a form appended to these Rules;
- (z) "Gram Panchayat" and "Zila Parisad" shall have the same meaning assigned to them respectively in the Arunachal Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1997;
- (aa) "Initial Price Offer" shall mean the initial offer submitted by the bidders in Stage-I round of e-auction and is an amount in Rupees per cubic meter /metric ton;"
- (bb) "Lessee" means a person who has been granted a mineral concession under these rules and includes any contractor, sub-lessee and agent, whether appointed or not, who is acting or purporting to act on behalf of the lessee and is taking part in the management, supervision, extraction and dispatch of mineral;
- (cc) "Mine Closure Plan" means a plan for the purpose of decommissioning, reclamation and rehabilitation in the mine/quarry or part thereof, after cessation of mining and mineral processing operations that has been prepared in the manner specified in the standard format and guidelines issued by the State Government;
- (dd) "Mine" and "Owner' shall have the same meaning assigned to them respectively in the Mines Act, 1952 (35 of 1952);
- (ee) "Mineral Concession" includes Prospecting License, Composite License, Mining Lease and Mining Permit;
- (ff) "Mining Lease" means a mining lease granted for mining and removal of minor minerals as mentioned in clause (c) of Section 3 of the Act;
- (gg) "Mining Permit" means the permission granted under these rules to extract and remove any specific quantity of minor mineral within a specified period;
- (hh) "Mining Plan" means a plan prepared under these rules for mining of minor mineral/minerals;

- (ii) "Mining Operation" and "Quarrying Operation" means any operation undertaken for the purpose of winning any minor mineral and shall include erection of machinery, construction of roads in connection with the mine and other ancillary activities for the purpose of winning of minor mineral";
- (jj) "Minor Minerals" means the minerals as specified in Schedule-I and Schedule-II appended to these Rules and any other mineral which the Government of India may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare to be a minor mineral under clause (e) of Section 3 of the Act;"
- (kk) "Preferred Bidder" means the bidder referred to in sub-clause (ix) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 9, sub-clause (v) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 10, sub-clause (ix) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 39";
- (II) **"Prospecting Licence"** means a licence granted for the purpose of undertaking Prospecting Operation of minor minerals";
- (mm) "Prospecting Licence cum Mining Lease" means a two stage concession granted for the purpose of undertaking prospecting operations through a prospecting licence followed by mining operations":
- (nn) **"Prospecting Operation"** means any operation undertaken for the purpose of prospecting, locating or proving minor mineral deposits";
- (oo) "Public Place" means roads, public buildings, reservoirs, irrigation canals, tanks, natural water courses, village paths, religious places, burial ground etc";
- (pp) "Qualified Bidder" means the bidder referred to in sub-clause (viii) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 9, sub-clause (ii) of clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 10, and sub-clause (ii) of clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 39";
- (qq) "Railway" and "Railway Administration" shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them under the Indian Railways Act, 1989 (No. 24 of 1989);
- (rr) "Recognised Qualified Person" means a person having the prescribed educational qualification and recognized by Indian Bureau of Mines ,Government of India for preparation of mining plan etc;
- (ss) "Reserve Price" means a price, which shall be the minimum price above which the bidders shall quote their bids and shall be twenty percent of the notified royalty for the particular mineral, in Rupees per cubic meter/metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral dispatched per month as defined under these rules";
- (tt) "Schedule" means a schedule appended to these Rules;
- (uu) **"Scheduled Tribes"** means the Scheduled Tribes as specified in relation to this State under Article 342 of the Constitution of India;
- (w) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Geology & Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
- (ww) "Reserved Forest Area" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the relevant provisions of the Arunachal Pradesh Laws;
- (xx) "State Government" means the Government of Arunachal Pradesh;
- (yy) "Successful Bidder" means the bidder referred to in clause (2) of Rule 11 and clause (2) of Rule 43;
- (zz) "Tender Document" means document published on the electronic-auction website or electronic-tender website by the Competent Authority as mentioned in sub-clause (ii) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 9, sub-clause (ii) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 39 and sub-clause (ii) of clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 40";
- (aaa) "Water Pollution" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (No. 6 of 1974).
- (2) All other words and expressions used in these rules but not defined in these rules but defined in the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957) shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the said Act.
- **3. Exemptions**: Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules no rent ,royalty or fee shall be charged for:-
 - Extraction of ordinary clay or ordinary sand by hereditary owner of the land being domicile of Arunachal Pradesh or their co-operative societies for preparing pots, tiles and bricks by traditional means, but not by process of manufacture in chimney-kilns or by any mechanical means, from the area of village of their common residence that may be decided and earmarked by the concerned officers of Geology & Mining in the district within their respective area for extraction of ordinary clay and ordinary sand:

Provided that no extraction shall be made from any public place and within 50 meters in all directions from such public place;

- (ii) Extraction of minor minerals specified in Part-B of Schedule- II from quarries up to 50 cubic meters. Per dwelling in rural areas shall be allowed, where such extractions are note done for the purpose of sale/commercial purpose but are required for bonafied personal requirement of the inhabitants of the area: viz
 - (a) Construction of personal residence,
 - (b) Irrigation tanks, channels and drains:
 - (c) Wells:
 - (d) Compound walls for fields or cattle sheds in rural areas.

Provided that such excavation and removal of aforesaid minerals shall be on the basis of the permits issued by the competent authority or the officer authorized by the competent authority. The permit shall contain the details of the total quantity of minor mineral specified in Part-B of Schedule-II.

- (iii) The removal of minor minerals from mines/quarries shall be exempted, whether situated in private or Government land, when such mine/quarries have not been appropriated to the use of a department of the State Government and the minor minerals are not mined for sale but are required for the construction or repairs of wells, other agricultural works or for the construction or improvement of the dwelling houses of agriculturists, village artisans and labourers residing in revenue or forest villages;
- (iv) The chipping of outcrops with a geological hammer, for the purposes of taking samples, shall not be deemed to be a substantial removal of the soil:

Provided that the aforesaid exemptions do not afford immunity from any action which might be taken under any existing rules or any act of the State or the Central Government, for unauthorized removal of minor minerals from any land by private person without the permission of the State Government or any officer or Authority authorized by it in this behalf;

CHAPTER - II

GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON UNDERTAKING PROSPECTING OR MINING OPERATIONS

- 4. Prohibition of prospecting or mining operation without a prospecting license or composite license or mining Lease or mining permit :
 - (1) No person shall undertake any Prospecting or mining Operation in any area except under and in accordance with the terms and conditions of prospecting license or composite license or a Mining Lease or Mining Permit granted under these rules:

Provided that nothing in this sub-rule (1) shall affect any Prospecting or Mining Operation undertaken in any area in accordance with the terms and conditions of prospecting license or composite license or Mining Lease or Mining Permit granted before the commencement of these rules, in force at that time:

Provided further that these rules shall be made applicable to the existing Mining Lease for renewal.

- (2) No prospecting license or composite license or Mining Lease or Mining Permit shall be granted other than in accordance with the provisions of these rules.
- (3) Any prospecting licence or composite licence or Mining Lease or Mining Permit granted, renewed or permission for removal of boulder, aggregates, gravel, ordinary sand, bajri etc, in contravention of the provision of these rules or orders made thereunder, shall be void and be of no effect.
- (4) The recommendations of the Gram Sabha or the Gram Panchayat shall be mandatory prior to grant of prospecting licence or mining lease for minor minerals.
- (5) The prior recommendation of the Forest Department and the Gram Panchayat shall be mandatory for grant of concession for the exploitation of minor minerals by auction, in the Reserved Forest Areas."

5. Restrictions on the grant of prospecting licence or composite licence or Mining Lease or Mining permit :

(1) No prospecting licence or composite licence or Mining Lease or Mining Permit shall be granted to any person unless such person is an Indian national or a company as defined under sub-section of Section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 (No. 18 of 2013) and satisfies such conditions as prescribed in these Rules.

Explanation: For the purposes of this sub-rule, in case of a firm or any other association of individuals, it shall be deemed to be an Indian entity only if all the members of the firm or association are citizens of India.

- (2) No prospecting licence or composite licence or Mining Lease or Mining Permit shall be granted in respect of an area:
 - (a) notified by the Government as reserved for the use of the Government and Local Authorities or for any other public or for special purposes except with the previous approval of the State Government;
 - (b) in forest land without the permission of appropriate authority as prescribed in the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (No. 69 of 1980);
 - (c) within a distance of 100 meters in all directions from any bridge, National or State Highways, Railway line and within 50 meters in all directions from the road constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, Mukhya Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, other District Roads of Public Works Department and within 10 metres in all directions from Grameen Kachcha Rasta or within fifty meters in all directions from any public place except village path:

Provided that the amended provisions shall be made applicable from the date of renewal of the existing Mining Leases and Mining permits which is not compact and contiguous.

- **6. No Mining lease shall be granted without the satisfaction of the competent authority :** No Mining lease for minor minerals shall be granted by the State Government or any other State Authority, notified by the State Government, unless it is satisfied that,
 - (a) There is evidence to show that the area for which the lease is applied for has been prospected earlier or the existence of mineral contents therein has been established otherwise than by means of Prospecting Operation in such area:

Provided further that no mining lease exceeding an area of five hectares or depth of six meters, for the minerals specified in Part A and Part B of Schedule-I and Part A of Schedule-II shall be granted by the Competent Authority unless the area for which the lease is applied for has been prospected earlier;

(b) Prospecting is not compulsory for the mining lease in which proposed mining operation shall be confined to the depth of 3 meters over an area not exceeding five hectares, for the minerals specified in Part B of Schedule-II however mining lease shall be granted by the Competent Authority only after ascertaining the availability of mineral applied for through spot inspection carried out by officers of concerned Office or any officer authorised by the Competent Authority:

Provided that a non-refundable spot inspection fee of rupees five thousand shall be deposited to the Department of Geology & Mining.

(c) There is a Mining plan duly approved by the Competent Authority and prepared by Requisite Qualified Person (RQP) recognized by Indian Bureau of Mines.

CHAPTER-III

Grant of Prospecting Licence and Composite Licence

7. Grant of composite licence:

- (1) Powers to grant composite licence,-
 - (a) The provisions of this rule shall be applicable to the minerals specified in Schedule I and Part-A of Schedule-II:
 - (b) The State Government shall have the powers to grant Composite Licence for minerals specified in Part-A of Schedule I through the process of e-auction to be conducted by Department of Geology and Mining.
 - (c) The Competent authority shall have the powers to grant Composite Licence for minerals specified in Part B of Schedule I and Part-A of Schedule II through the process of e-tendering to be conducted by the Director.

- (2) Rights of existing concession holders and applicants,-
 - (a) All applications for prospecting licence received prior to the date of commencement of these rules shall not be considered.
 - (b) Without prejudice to clause (a), such applications shall remain valid under these rules, where the Letter of Intent or Grant order for prospecting has been issued prior to the commencement of these Rules.
- (3) Preliminary procedure for grant of composite licence,-
 - (a) (i) The Competent Authority shall have the powers to suo-moto identify, demarcate and notify an area, where there is inadequate evidence to show the existence of mineral contents of any minor mineral for grant of Composite Licence through e-auction or e-tendering, as the case may be.
 - (ii) Other than the areas so identified in sub clause (i), applications may be received by the Competent Authority in case of such areas where there is inadequate evidence to show the existence of mineral contents of any minor minerals for the grant of Composite Licence in Form-I.
 - (b) The Competent Authority shall enter the date and time on which the application was received and process the area applied for e-auction or e-tendering, as the case may be, within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of application. The e-auction or e-tendering, as the case may be, shall be notified on the website of Department of Geology & Mining.
 - (c) The State Government shall, if it deems fit that it is necessary and expedient to do so, prescribe terms and conditions, procedure and bidding parameters in respect of categories of minerals, size and area of mineral deposits in a District or Districts, subject to which the e-auction or e-tendering shall be conducted:

Provided that the terms and conditions may include the reservation of any particular mine or mines for a particular end-use and subject to such condition only eligible end users shall be allowed to participate in the auction.

- (4) Application For Composite Licence shall be accompanied by,-
 - (a) A non-refundable application fee of Rupees Five Thousand. The Fees shall be deposited in the Government Treasury under the relevant revenue receipt head and the original treasury receipt challan shall be attached to the application:

Provided that, the application fee shall be adjusted against the amount to be paid against the cost of auction/tender document.

(b) No-dues certificate as prescribed in Form-II, from the State Government or Any Officer or Authority authorized by the State Government in this behalf, of payment of mining dues such as royalty or Dead Rent and surface rent payable under the Act or the rules made thereunder:

Provided that, in case the applicant is a partnership firm or a private limited company or a Public Limited Company, such certificates shall be furnished by all partners of the partnership firm or all members of the private limited company and all Directors of Public Limited Company, as the case may be:

Provided further that, where any injunction has been issued by court of law or by any other Competent Authority staying the recovery of any such mining dues or income tax, non-payment thereof shall not be treated as a disqualification for the purpose of granting the said Composite Licence:

Provided also that, where a person has furnished an affidavit, to the satisfaction of the Competent Authority for the grant of Licence, stating that he does not hold or has held any Mineral Concession in the State, it shall not be necessary for him to produce the said no dues certificate:

Provided also that, a duly sworn affidavit stating that no dues are outstanding shall suffice, subject to the condition that the certificate required as above shall become invalid if the party fails to file the certificate within thirty days from the date of application:

Provided also that submission of above No Dues certificates shall not discharge the holder of such certificate from the liability of paying dues which may subsequently be found to be payable by him under the relevant Act or the rules made thereunder.

- (c) An affidavit stating that the applicant has, -
 - (i) filed up-to-date income tax returns;
 - (ii) paid the income tax as assessed by Income Tax Authorities under Income Tax Act, 1961.
 - (iii) Paid all dues and demand raised under the provision of Income Tax Act, 1961.

- (d) An affidavit showing particulars of mineral-wise areas in the State, that the applicant may singularly or jointly: -
 - (i) holds under Prospecting Licence/ Composite Licence;
 - (ii) has applied for but not been granted; and
 - (iii) being applied for, simultaneously
- (e) A declaration in writing that the applicant, where the land is not owned by the applicant, has obtained surface rights over the area or has the consent of the owner of such land for starting Prospecting Operations:

Provided that no such declaration shall be necessary where the land is owned by the Government."

Provided further that in case of Arunachal Pradesh Schedule Tribe (APST) the certificate of payment of tax shall not be insisted as they are exempted from payment of Income Tax under the Income Tax, Act, 1961.

8. **Receipt of application**: Every application under sub-rule (1) of rule 7 shall be acknowledged in **Form-III** on the date of its receipt.

9. Procedure for allotment of Composite Licence through Electronic auction:

- (1) Prerequisites for Electronic auction of Composite Licence,-
 - (a) The Competent Authority may initiate an auction process for grant of a Composite Licence for any area within the State in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
 - (b) The Competent Authority shall, prior to issuance of the notice inviting bid with respect to auction, identify and demarcate the area where a Composite Licence is proposed to be granted through auction on the basis of a demarcation report obtained from the jurisdictional Deputy Commissioner.
- (2) Procedure of e-Auction for Composite Licence.-
 - (a) Eligibility for Composite Licence,-
 - (i) For the purpose of participating in the auction of composite licence, an applicant shall meet all the requirements as specified in Rule 5.
 - (ii) The eligibility for participating in the auction shall be determined as per the terms and conditions of eligibility for participating in the auction.
 - (iii) The Preferred Bidder shall be decided solely on the basis of financial bids submitted by the eligible Qualified Bidders.
 - (b) Electronic Auction,-
 - (i) An auction shall be conducted only through a two stage forward ascending auction on an online electronic auction platform.
 - (ii) The Competent Authority shall utilise any online electronic auction platform, which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard Guidelines.
 - (c) Bidding parameters,-
 - (i) There shall be a price fixed to be called the reserve price which shall be twenty percent of the notified royalty for the particular mineral; this amount shall be in Rupees per cubic metre /metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral dispatched.
 - (ii) The bidders shall quote, over and above the reserve price, for the purpose of payment to the State Government, an amount in Rupees per cubic meter/metric ton or any standard unit of mineral despatched from the lease area as "auction money".
 - (iii) The auction money shall be payable to the State Government on a Quarterly basis on the mineral being despatched every Quarter. The rate offered by the bidder and accepted in e-auctioning process shall be subject to price escalation linked to the Wholesale Price Index from the financial year in which the mineral dispatch begins with the year in which auction was conducted being the base year.
 - (iv) Where an area is being auctioned for more than one mineral, auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.
 - (v) If subsequent to grant of a mining lease, one or more new minerals are discovered, the auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.

- (d) Bidding Process,-
 - (i) The Competent Authority shall issue a notice for auction, published on the website of Department of Geology and Mining, to commence the auction process and such notice shall contain brief particulars regarding the area under auction, including,-
 - (I) particulars of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner.
 - (II) brief particulars regarding evidence of mineral contents with respect to all minerals discovered/expected in the area.
 - (ii) The auction document issued by the Competent Authority shall contain,-
 - (I) report and details of the minerals available in the area;
 - (II) land survey details of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner;
 - (iii) The bidders shall be provided a fixed period to study the auction documents.
 - (iv) The bidding process shall commence after a period of 14 days from the date of publication of the notice inviting tender. The auction shall be an ascending forward online electronic auction.
 - (v) In Stage-I, the Bidders shall be required to submit the Technical Bid; and initial price offer, which will have to be above the reserve price. The Technical Bid shall be evaluated to ascertain compliance of the Bidder with the eligibility conditions.
 - (vi) Only those Bidders who are found to be eligible in accordance with the prescribed eligibility conditions shall be declared as the "Technically Qualified Bidders".
 - (vii) The highest initial price offer amongst the Technically Qualified Bidders quoted above the reserve price shall be the floor price for the Stage-II of the online electronic auction.
 - (viii) (I) After opening of the Initial Price of the bid documents (Initial Price Bid), the Initial price bids shall be arranged in descending order and the technically qualified Bidders holding the first fifty percent of the ranks (with any fraction rounded off to higher integer) or the top five technically qualified bidders, whichever is higher, shall qualify as qualified bidders for participating in the stage two bidding. Only the Qualified Bidders shall be eligible to participate in the stage-II of the bid process, i.e, online forward auction.
 - (II) If the number of technically qualified bidders is less than five then all the technically qualified bidders shall be considered as qualified bidders.
 - (III) In the event of identical initial price offers being submitted by two or more technically qualified bidders, all such technically qualified bidders shall be assigned the same rank for the purposes of determination of qualified bidders and in such case, the aforementioned fifty percent shall stand enhanced to fifty percent plus the number of technically qualified bidders whose initial price offers are identical less the number of such identical initial price offers.
 - (ix) The bidder who gives the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder.
- (3) Right of first refusal to the owner of seventy five percent or more of the area of lease, Where an auction is notified by the Competent Authority for any land consisting of private land, either wholly or partly, in that case the highest price offer given by any bidder shall be disclosed and the owner of a private land who participated in the bidding process and who owns seventy five percent or more of the area of lease shall have the Right of first Refusal. Upon acceptance of the highest final price offer, such owner of private land shall be declared as the preferred bidder.

Or

Otherwise on refusal by such an owner of private land, the bidder with the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder:

Provided that the owner of private land shall exercise his right of first refusal, to be given in writing, within seven working days from the date of announcement of the highest price offer for the said area put on auction. If he fails to do so within the said period he shall be deemed to have exercised his Right of first refusal.

(4) If at any stage of the auction process only one valid bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to extend the bid due date by another seven days and if again one bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to accept the same. The Competent Authority shall have the right to annul the auction at any stage if it deems fit."

10. Procedure for allotment of Composite Licence through Electronic tendering:

(1) Prerequisites for electronic tendering of Composite Licence:

- (a) The Department of Geology and Mining may initiate an electronic tendering process for grant of a Composite Licence with respect to an area in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
- (b) The Department of Geology and Mining shall, prior to issuance of the notice inviting bids with respect to electronic tendering, identify and demarcate the area where a Composite Licence is proposed to be granted through electronic tendering on the basis of a demarcation report obtained from concerned Deputy Commissioner.

(2) Procedure for Electronic tendering of Composite Licence:

(a) Eligibility for Composite Licence,-

- (i) For the purpose of participating in the Electronic tendering of composite licence, an applicant shall meet all the requirements as specified in rule 5.
- (ii) The eligibility for participating in the process shall be determined as per the terms and conditions of eligibility for participating in the tender.
- (iii) The Preferred bidders shall be called technically qualified bidder. The Preferred Bidder shall be decided solely on the basis of financial bids submitted by the eligible qualified bidders.

(b) Electronic Tender,-

- (i) The tender shall be conducted only through an online electronic platform.
- (ii) The Director shall utilise any online electronic platform which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard guidelines.

(c) Bidding parameters,-

- (i) There shall be a price fixed to be called the reserve price, which shall be twenty percent of the notified royalty for the particular mineral; this amount shall be in Rupees per cubic meter/metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral dispatched.
- (ii) The bidders shall quote, for the purpose of payment to the State Government, an amount in Rupees per cubic meter/metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral despatched from the lease area as "auction money".
- (iii) The auction money shall be payable to the State Government on a Quarterly basis on the mineral being despatched every Quarter. The rate offered by the bidder and accepted in etendering process shall be subject to price escalation linked to the Wholesale Price Index from the financial year in which the mineral dispatch begins with the year in which tender was conducted being the base year.
- (iv) Where an area is being allotted for more than one mineral through e-tendering, auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.
- (v) If subsequent to grant of a mining lease, one or more new minerals are discovered, the auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.

(d) Bidding Process.-

- (i) The Competent Authority shall issue a notice inviting tender, published on the website of the Department of Geology and Mining, to commence the Electronic-tender process and such notice shall contain brief particulars regarding the area under Electronic-tender, including,-
 - (a) particulars of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner; and
 - (b) brief particulars regarding evidence of mineral contents with respect to all minerals discovered/expected in the area .
- (ii) The tender document issued by the Competent Authority shall contain,-
 - (a) report and details of the minerals available in the area.
 - (b) revenue survey, details of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner.

- (iii) The bidders shall be provided a fixed period to study the tender documents.
- (iv) The bidding process shall commence after a period of 14 days from the date of publication of the notice inviting tender. The Electronic-tender shall be an electronic tendering process on electronic platform.
- (v) The bidder who gives the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder.
- (vi) In the event of identical initial price offers being submitted by two or more technically qualified bidders, the bid submitted prior in time shall be declared as the preferred bid. The Competent Authority shall have the right to annul the tender at any stage for reasons to be recorded in writing.
- (3) Right of first refusal to the owner of seventy five percent or more of the area of lease,- Where a tender is notified by the Competent Authority for any land consisting of private land, either wholly or partly, in that case the highest price offer given by any bidder shall be disclosed and the owner of a private land, who participated in the bidding process and who owns seventy five percent or more of the area of lease, shall have the Right of first Refusal. Upon acceptance of the highest final price offer, such owner of private land shall be declared as the preferred bidder or otherwise on refusal by such an owner of private land, the bidder with the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder:

Provided that the owner of private land shall exercise his right of first refusal, to be given in writing, within seven working days from the date of announcement of the highest price offer for the said area put on auction. If he fails to do so within the said period he shall be deemed to have exercised his Right of first refusal.

(4) If at any stage of the tender process only one valid bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to extend the bid due date by another seven days and if again one bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to accept the same. The Competent authority shall have the right to annul the tender at any stage, if it deems fit."

11. Grant order for Composite Licence:

- (1) Upon completion of the auction/tender process, the preferred bidder shall submit a performance security in the manner specified in rule 14 and upon receipt of such performance security; the Competent Authority may issue a letter of intent to the preferred bidder.
- (2) On receipt of the letter of intent, the preferred bidder shall be considered to be the successful bidder, upon fulfillment of the following conditions, namely:
 - (a) compliance with all the terms and conditions of eligibility;
 - (b) obtaining all consents, approvals, permits, no-objections and the like, as may be required under applicable laws for commencement of prospecting operations; and
 - (c) consent of land owner(s) for private land; and
 - (d) submitting the Scheme of prospecting to Department of Geology & Mining.
- (3) Upon fulfillment of the conditions specified in sub-rule (2), the Competent Authority may grant a Composite Licence to the successful bidder and such Composite Licence shall be subject to the provisions of these rules, as applicable to a prospecting licence and Mining lease.
- (4) Letter of intent shall be deemed to have been cancelled, if preferred bidder is unable to fulfill the conditions specified in sub-rule (2) within six months from the date of issue of letter of intent and performance security shall be forfeited:

Provided that Competent Authority, if deems fit may grant additional period in the period of sub-rule (4), if preferred bidder has sufficient reason for not fulfilling the conditions of sub-rule (2) within specified time.

- (5) The minimum area for grant of a Composite Licence shall not be less than the minimum area for which a mining lease may be granted in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and the maximum area shall be in accordance with these Rules.
- (6) The holder of a Composite Licence shall conduct prospecting of the area under the Composite Licence so as to ascertain evidence of mineral contents and shall submit periodic reports in Form-VIII in accordance with these Rules.
- (7) If a holder of a Composite Licence,-
 - (a) fails to complete prospecting operations in accordance with these Rules, such holder shall not be eligible to receive a mining lease and the Composite Licence shall be terminated;
 - (b) completes prospecting operations in accordance with these Rules, or otherwise establishes the existence of minerals, such holder shall make an application to the Competent Authority for grant of a mining lease:

Provided that the mining lease shall be granted only with respect to the area for which evidence of mineral contents has been found and shall be required for mining operations and shall not be for an area larger than the maximum area for which a mining lease may be granted under these Rules:

Provided further that, any excess area shall be deemed to be surrendered by the holder of Composite Licence after completing its reclamation.

12. Period for which prospecting licence may be granted:

- (1) For minerals specified under **Part-A** of Schedule-I, Prospecting Licence shall be granted for a period of 3 year from the date of its execution.
- (2) For minerals specified under **Part-B** of Schedule-I and Part-A of Schedule-II, Prospecting Licence shall be granted for a period of 2 year from the date of its execution.
- (3) The Composite Licence (Prospecting cum Mining Lease) shall be granted for a period, which shall be the total of the period of Prospecting Licence and the period of mining lease for any mineral as prescribed for the said mineral in these rules.

13. Area restriction on grant of prospecting licence:

(1) No person shall acquire one or more Prospecting licences, in respect of any mineral specified under **Part-A** and **Part-B** of Schedule-I and Part-A of Schedule-II, covering a total area, more than one thousand hectares:

Provided that if the State Government is of opinion that in the interest of the development of any mineral it is necessary so to do, if it deems fit permit any person to acquire one or more prospecting Licence covering an area in excess of the aforesaid total area.

Explanation: For the purposes of this clause a 'person' includes an individual, a Hindu undivided family, a company, a firm, an association of persons or a body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, a local authority, and every artificial juridical person.

14. Bid security and performance security for Composite Licence:

- (1) For participation in auction/tender, all bidders shall deposit bid security amount as per Schedule V and VI, respectively.
- (2) The preferred bidder shall provide a interest free Performance Security of the amount as mentioned in Schedule V and VI as may be applicable, immediately after the auction is complete and in any case within seven days after announcement as the preferred bidder through a demand draft or a bank guarantee valid for a period of three years to be renewed from time to time so as to be valid throughout the period of the lease.
- (3) The performance security may be invoked as per provisions of the Composite License Deed.

15. Prospecting licence to be executed within sixty days:

- (1) Where an order has been made for the grant of Prospecting Licence or Composite License, a licence deed in accordance with **Form-IV** or **Form-IV**A shall be executed within sixty days from the date of the order, as case may be. If no such deed is executed within the said period, due to any default on the part of the applicant, the Competent Authority may revoke the order granting the licence and in that event, all fees, security deposits paid shall be forfeited in favour of the Department of Geology and Mining.
- (2) Where the Licencee is unable to execute the licence deed within sixty days from the date of the order, he may submit an application to the Department of Geology & Mining explaining the reason for the same before the expiration of the said period. The application submitted after the expiration of said period shall not be considered.
- (3) Every application under sub-rule (2) shall be accompanied by non-refundable application fee of rupees ten (10) thousands.
- (4) The Competent Authority may, on receipt of an application made under sub-rule (2) and on being satisfied about the adequacy and genuineness of the reason for non execution of deed, may grant an extension the period for execution of deed.

16. Register of prospecting licence and composite licence to be maintained:

- (1) A register of application for grant of prospecting licence and composite licence shall be maintained by the Department of Geology and Mining in the format of **Form-V**.
- (2) A register for prospecting licence and composite licence granted shall be maintained by the Department of Geology and Mining in the format of **Form-VI**.

- 17. **Conditions of prospecting licence**: Every Prospecting Licence granted under these rules, in addition to other conditions that may be specified therein, shall be subject to the following conditions, namely:-
 - (1) Every holder of a Prospecting Licence shall submit to the competent authority or any officer authorised by competent authority, a scheme indicating the manner in which he proposes to carry out the Prospecting Operations, within a period of thirty days from the date of execution of deed of Prospecting Licence;
 - (2) Every holder of a Prospecting Licence shall submit to the competent authority or any officer authorised by competent authority, an intimation in Form-VII of the commencement of Prospecting Operation, within a period of fifteen days of such commencement;
 - (3) Every Licensee shall maintain an account of all the expenses incurred by him on Prospecting Operations and also the quantity and other particulars of all minerals obtained during such operations and their despatch. Such accounts shall be submitted to the Department of Geology & Mining as may be specified.
 - (4) The Licensee may, on payment of royalty and after obtaining the transport permit for transportation of mineral, collect and carry maximum up to 200 cubic meter mineral for the purpose of testing during the period of licence.
 - (5) The Licensee shall report to the competent authority or any officer authorised by competent authority, the discovery of any mineral not specified in the licence, within a period of 10 (ten) days from the date of such discovery and shall make an application for inclusion of such mineral in such Prospecting Licence simultaneously. The Licencee shall not despatch the newly discovered mineral from the Licence area till such mineral is included in the Prospecting Licence:
 - (6) Provided that in case of discovery of any mineral not specified as a Minor Mineral, the Licencee shall not have any right of concession for that mineral under these rules.
 - (7) The Licensee shall not pay less than the minimum wages prescribed by the Central or the State Government under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948.
 - (8) The Licensee shall provide compensation for damage to land, to the extent of damage, in respect of which the licence has been granted;
 - (9) The Licensee shall indemnify to the Government against the claim of a third party for any damage injury or disturbance caused by the Licensee;
 - (10) Restrictions shall be placed regarding felling of trees on unoccupied and unreserved Government land and other environmental conditions, as may be notified by the State Government, from time to time;
 - (11) Restriction on Prospecting Operations in any area prohibited by Government due to Environmental or any other reasons, as may be notified, from time to time.
 - (12) The Licensee shall observe the provisions of the Mines Act, 1952 (35 of 1952) and The Factories Act, 1948 for the safety, health & other issues of workers in the mine.
 - (13) Every holder of a prospecting license or composite licence shall submit to the Competent Authority or the officer authorised by Competent Authority officer, as the case may be, a yearly report along with Form-VIII so as to reach him within thirty days after the expiry of twelve months from the date of execution of the relevant prospecting or composite licence deed or the expiry of the prospecting or composite licence, whichever is earlier.

Provided that in case the prospecting operations are abandoned, the report along with **Form-VIII** shall be submitted within a period of thirty days from the date of such abandonment.

Provided further that in case the prospecting operations are continued for a period exceeding one year, the report along with **Form-VIII** shall be submitted once every year and Final report along with **Form-VIII** within a period of three months after the completion of the prospecting operations or the expiry of the prospecting or composite license, whichever is earlier.

18. Duties of the Licensee.-During subsistence of the licence, the Licensee shall:

- (1) Take immediate measures for the plantation and maintenance of not less than twice the number of trees fallen as a result of Prospecting Operations in the granted area or area nearby as approved by the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned district;
- (2) Restore other flora destroyed by Prospecting Operations to the maximum extent possible;
- (3) Securely plug all bores and fill up or fence all excavations in the land covered by the licence;
- (4) Pay to the occupier of surface of the land, such compensation as may be decided by the concerned District Administration;
- (5) Furnish to the concerned competent authority or any officer authorised by competent authority, such information and returns as may be prescribed in the Rules;

- (6) Allow any officer, authorised by the Competent authority, to inspect any Prospecting Operation being carried out;
- (7) Carry out Prospecting Operations in such a manner so as to ensure the systematic development and conservation of mineral deposits and protection of environment.
- 19. Cancellation of licence: In the case of non-compliance of these rules or breach of any condition imposed on any holder of a Prospecting Licence, the Competent Authority may, by order in writing, cancel the licence and/or forfeit full or part of the security deposited by the Licensee under rule 14:

Provided that no such order shall be made without giving the Licensee a fifteen day notice in writing and an opportunity of being heard.

19A. **Availability of certain areas**: No application for Prospecting Licence of minerals in Schedule-I and Part-A of Schedule-II shall lie for areas previously held or which are being held under a Mining Lease or the area reserved for exploration/prospecting by Directorate of Geology and Mining or any other central government organisation, unless the availability of the area for grant is notified in the Official Gazette at least thirty days in advance:

Provided that the State Government by recording reasons in writing may relax the provisions of this Rule for any special case.

CHAPTER -IV

POWER TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCE, COMPOSITE LICENCE, AND MINING LEASES.

20. Extent of power to grant prospecting licence and composite licence :

Prospecting Licence and Composite Licence, as the case may be, in respect of minerals specified in Schedule-I & Schedule-II, shall be granted by the authority mentioned in column (2) for the minerals specified in column (3), and the electronic auction or electronic tendering as the case may be, shall be conducted by the authority mentioned in corresponding entry in column (4) thereof, of the table below: -

TABLE

SI.No.	Competent Authority for grant	Minerals	Competent Authority for E-Auction/E-tendering
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	State Government	Minerals specified in Part-A of Schedule-I.	Director
2.	Secretary (Geology & Mining)	Minerals specified in Part-B of Schedule-I and Part -A of Schedule-II	Director

21. **Extent of power to grant Mining lease**: Mining Lease in respect of minerals specified in Schedule-I and Schedule-II, shall be granted by the authority mentioned in column (2) for the minerals specified in column (3), and the electronic auction or electronic tendering as the case may be, shall be conducted by the authority mentioned in column (4) thereof, of the table below: -

TABLE

SI.No.	Competent Authority for grant of licence/ lease	Minerals	Competent Authority for E-Auction/ E-tendering
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	State Government	Minerals specified in Part-A of Schedule-I.	Director
2.	Secretary (Geology & Mining)	Minerals specified in Part-B of Schedule-I and Part-A & Part B of Schedule-II.	Director

- 22. Pending applications in relation to new minor minerals declared by the Government of India: In relation to any mineral from minor minerals declared by notification dated 10th February, 2015 of Government of India, only on submission of amended application within sixty days from the date of enforcement of these rules shall be considered in accordance with these rules, in matters of pending applications of Mining Lease or Prospecting License submitted under sub-section (2) of Section 10A of the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015.
- 22A. All prospecting licenses or mining leases granted before commencement of these rules must comply with the provisions of these rules. Further, for the optimum utilization of mineral wealth and development of any mineral, the State govt, if deems fit, may permit the modification of Lease Area by giving the concession holder an opportunity of hearing.

Provided that concession holders shall undertake detailed exploration (G1 level) and prove the quantity and quality over the entire potentiality mineralized area within a period of 24 months from the date of grant of such modification and submits the revised application along with final prospecting reports.

CHAPTER -V

GRANT OF MINING LEASE IN RESPECT OF MINERALS SPECIFIED IN SCHEDULE-I AND SCHEDULE-II

- 23. **Application for Mining Lease**: An application for the grant of a Mining Lease shall be made in Form-IX in triplicate, for the minerals specified in Schedule-I and Schedule-II. The application shall be affixed with a court fee stamp of the value **of rupees five** and shall contain the following particulars together with documents in support of the statement made therein, namely:-
 - (I) If the applicant is an individual, his/her name, Father's Name, nationality, profession, Schedule Tribe(ST)certificate, educational qualification, age, proof of residence, present address and financial soundness certificate;
 - (II) If the applicant is a company, its name, list of Directors, Incorporation Certificate, place of registration along with address, last Registrar of Companies (RoC) return filed, last Income Tax return filed along with copy of last Audit report as prescribed under provisions of Income Tax Act, 1961, copies of Memorandum of Association (MoA) and Articles of Association (AoA), financial soundness certificate;
 - (III) If the applicant is a partnership firm, its name, nature and place of business, place of residence of all partners, their nationality, copy of partnership deed, registration certificate and financial soundness certificate;
 - (IV) If the applicant is a society/association of persons, its name, nature, place of working, list of members, their Schedule Tribe (ST) certificate, educational qualification, nationality, registration certificate, bye-laws and financial soundness certificate of individual members, minutes of last society meeting held by registration of society;
 - (V) A description illustrated by a map or plans clearly showing, the situation and boundaries of the land in respect of which the Mining Lease is required. Where the area is unsurveyed, the location of the area may be shown using some permanent physical feature such as roads, tank, culvert etc;
 - (VI) The minerals or mineral which the applicant intends to mine;
 - (VII) The period for which the Mining Lease is required;
 - (VIII) The purpose for which the extracted mineral is to be used;
 - (IX) Every application for the grant of a Mining Lease shall be accompanied by an affidavit showing particulars of the areas mineral-wise in each district of the State, which the applicant either singularly or jointly:-
 - (a) already held under Mining Lease;
 - (b) has already applied for, but not granted; and
 - (c) being applied for simultaneously;
 - (X) An affidavit to the effect that the applicant has, where the land is not owned by him, obtained surface rights over the area or has obtained the consent of the owner/owners for conducting mining operations:

Provided that no such affidavit shall be necessary where the land-rights are vested in the State Government;

XI) Every application for the grant of a Mining Lease shall be accompanied by No Dues Certificate in **Form-II**, in respect of payment of mining dues payable under the Act or rules made thereto from all the districts where the applicant holds or has held Mineral Concessions, either singularly or jointly.

Provided that the grant of No Dues Certificate shall not discharge a holder of such certificate from the liability to pay the mining dues which may be subsequently found to be payable by him under the Act or Rules made thereto.

- (XII) Every application for the grant of Mining Lease shall be accompanied by a Prospecting report or the report indicating existence of mineral contents as per rule 6.
- (XIII) Every application for the grant or renewal of mining lease confined to the depth of 6 meters over an area not exceeding five hectares, for the minerals specified in **Part-A** and **Part-B** of Schedule-I and Part A of Schedule-II, and confined to the depth of 3 meters over an area not exceeding five hectares, for the minerals specified in Part-B of Schedule-II, shall be accompanied by a deposit of **rupees five (5) thousand** for spot inspection fee; and
- (XIV) Before the disposal of pending applications for grant of mining lease of any mineral, if such mineral is declared as minor mineral by notification of the Government of India under clause (e) of Section 3 of the Mines & Mineral (Development & Regulation), Act, 1957 then for areas relating to such applications pending before the date of issue of notification of the Government of India, only on submission of amended application as per these rules within a period of sixty days such notification by the applicant mining lease shall be considered for grant in accordance with these rules:

Provided that renewal of mining lease granted before enforcement of these rules, shall be done under these rules.

24. Grant of Mining Lease:

- (1) Powers to Grant Mining Lease:
 - (a) The State Government shall have the powers to grant mining lease for minerals specified in **Part A** of Schedule-I through the process of electronic auction to be conducted by the Department of Geology & Mining.
 - (b) The Secretary shall have the powers to grant mining lease for minerals specified in Part B of Schedule I and Part A & B of Schedule II through the process of electronic tendering to be conducted by the Department of Geology & Mining.
- (2) Rights of Existing concession holders and applicants:
 - (a) All applications received for the grant of mining lease prior to the date of commencement of these rules, shall become ineligible.
 - (b) Without prejudice to sub-rule (a), the following shall remain eligible on and from the date of commencement of these Rules:-
 - (i) where before the commencement of these Rules, prospecting licence has been granted in respect of any land/area for any mineral, the licensee shall have a right for obtaining a mining lease in respect of that mineral in that land/area, if the Competent Authority is satisfied that the licensee:-
 - has undertaken prospecting operations, to establish the existence of mineral contents in such land through pitting and drilling as required or has otherwise established the existence of minerals;
 - (II) has not become ineligible under the provisions of these Rules; and
 - (III) has not failed to apply for grant of Mining lease, within a period of ninety days after expiry of the prospecting licence. This period may be extended by the Competent Authority, if it deems fit. .
 - (ii) Where Letter of Intent (by whatsoever name called) or Grant order for mining has been issued by the Competent Authority, prior to the commencement of these Rules, subject to the fulfillment of the conditions laid down in the Letter of intent within a period of 180 days from the commencement of these Rules. This period may be extended by the Competent Authority, if it deems fit.
 - (iii) Applications pending for renewal under Rule 37 of these Rules.

(3) Preliminary Procedure for Grant of Mining Lease :

(a) (i) The Competent Authority shall have the powers to suo-motu identify, demarcate and notify an area, where the existence of mineral contents of any minor mineral is established in the manner prescribed by the State Government for grant of Mining lease through electronic auction or electronic tendering, as the case may be.

- (ii) Other than the areas so identified in sub clause (i), applications may be received in **Form-III** by the Competent Authority in case of such areas where the existence of mineral contents of any minor mineral is established for the grant of Mining lease;. Applications for minerals contained in Schedule-I & Schedule-II shall be received by the Competent authority.
- (b The Competent Authority shall enter on it the date and time on which the application was received by him and process the area applied for e-auction or e-tendering, as the case may be, within a period of 180 days from the date of receipt of application. The e-auction or e-tendering, as the case may be, shall be notified by with publication of notice for auction on the website of Department of Geology & Mining.
- (c) The State Government shall if it is of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient to do so, prescribe terms and conditions, procedure and bidding parameters in respect of categories of minerals, size and area of mineral deposits and a District or Districts, subject to which the e-auction or e-tendering shall be conducted:

Provided that the terms and conditions may include the reservation of any particular mine or mines for a particular end-use and subject to such condition which allow only such eligible end users to participate in the auction.

25. Mining operation for minor minerals to be in accordance with Mining plan:

- Mining operation shall be undertaken in accordance with the duly approved Mining Plan.
- (II) The Mining Plan once approved, shall be valid for the entire duration of the lease.
- (III) Modification of the approved Mining Plan during the operation of a mining Lease also requires prior approval of State Government.
- (IV) Where mining operations have been undertaken before the commencement of these Rules without an approved mining plan, the holder of such mining Lease shall submit a mining plan, within a period of 45 days from the date of commencement of these rules to the Competent Authority.
- (V) The Mining Plan shall incorporate,
 - i. Name of the Applicant.
 - ii. Address:-
 - 1. City
 - 2. District
 - 3. Pin Code
 - 4. Phone Number
 - 5. Email
 - iii. Status of Applicant
 - iv. Name of the Recognized Qualified Person (RQP) preparing the Mining Plan.
 - 1. Address
 - 2. City
 - 3. District
 - 4. Pin code
 - 5. Phone Number
 - 6. Email
 - v. Registration No of Qualified Person
 - 1. Date of grant and renewal
 - 2. Valid upto
 - vi. Name and details of the Prospecting Agency
 - 1. Address
 - 2. City
 - 3. District
 - 4. Pin code
 - 5. Phone Number
 - 6. Email
 - 7. Experience, Expertise, Manpower & Machineries deployed
 - 8. Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) Registration Details along with registration No.

- vii. Whether area is prospected by an agency or the Department of Geology & Mining, if done by an agency then enclose a certified copy of prospecting report.
 - 1. Location and accessibility
 - 2. Details of the area (With location map)
 - 3. District,
 - 4. Sub-division,
 - 5. circle,
 - 6. Cadastral Survey Number,
 - 7. Village
 - 8. Lease area(Hectare)
 - 9. Ownership along with proof.
 - Existence of public road/railway line,if any near by and approximate distance from the same.
 - 11. Toposheet No with latitude and longitude in case where the area is five hectares or more.
- (viii) The area showing the nature and extent of the mineral body.
- (ix) Spot or spots where the mining operations are proposed and proposed maximum depth of such mining operation.
- (x) A tentative scheme of mining, annual mining program and annual plan for excavation for five years.
- (xi) The extent of manual mining and the extent of mining/quarrying by the use of machinery and mechanical devices.
- (xii) Measures for protection of environment, especially against air and water pollution due to such mining operation.
- (xiii) Mine closure Plan.

26. Mining Plan to be prepared by Recognized Qualified Persons (RQP):

- (I) No Mining Plan shall be approved unless it is prepared by a Recognized Qualified Person recognized by Indian Bureau of Mines, Govt of India.
- (II) Recognized Qualified Person shall possess the following qualification and experience, namely:-
 - (a) a degree in Mining Engineering or post-graduate degree in Geology from a University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, or a State Act, including any institution recognised by the University Grants Commission established under Section 4 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956) or any equivalent qualification granted by any University or Institution outside India; and
 - (b) Must have professional experience of five years in the field of mineral exploration or mining after obtaining the degree.
 - (c) A Recognized Qualified Person may also carry out modifications of an existing Mining Plan.
 - (d) The Mining plan should be prepared by taking into account the Permanent Bench Mark of the area, taking into account the temporary bench mark of the area to be surveyed and draw a map to scale.

27. Approval of Mining Plan:

- (l) Every Mining Plan submitted for approval, shall be accompanied with a non-refundable fee of rupees one thousand for every hectare or part thereof, of mining area covered under the Mining Lease.
- (II) Any person aggrieved by any order made or direction issued in respect of Mining Plan by the officer authorised by the State Government may, within thirty days of the communication of such order or direction may applied to the State Government, along with original treasury challan of rupees one hundred for revision of the said order or direction:
 - Provided that any such application may be entertained after the said period of thirty days if the Competent Authority is satisfied that the applicant had sufficient cause for not making the application within time.
- (III) On receipt of any application for revision under sub-rule (II), the State Government, after giving a reasonable opportunity of being heard to the aggrieved person, may confirm, modify or set aside the order made or direction issued.
- (IV) The procedure enumerated above, shall *mutatis mutandis*, be followed for the disposal of such application.

28. **Power to approve Mining Plan :** The Mining Plan shall be approved by Competent Authority after following due procedure as may be specified by it.

29. Financial assurance:

- (I) Financial assurance has to be furnished by every Mining Lease holder. The amount of financial assurance shall be **rupees twenty five thousand** per hectare or part thereof of the lease area.
- (II) The financial Assurance shall be submitted in one of the following forms to the competent authority or State Government, as the case may be,
 - (a) Letter of Credit from any scheduled bank; or
 - (b) Surety bond in Form-IX-A;
- (III) The lessee shall submit the financial assurance to the competent authority before execution of the lease deed.
- (IV) Where mining operations have been undertaken before the commencement of these rules the holder of such mining Lease shall submit financial assurance within a period of one month from the date of commencement of these rules.
- (V) Release of financial assurance shall be effective upon the notice given by the Lessee for the satisfactory compliance of the provisions contained in the Mine Closure Plan and certified by the competent authority or State Government or officer authorized by the Competent Authority.
- (VI) If competent authority or State Government has reasonable grounds for believing that the protection, reclamation and rehabilitation measures as envisaged in the approved Mine Closure Plan in respect of which financial assurance was given has not been carried out in accordance with the Mine Closure Plan, either fully or partially, the competent authority or State Government shall issue orders for forfeiting the sum assured and a copy of such order shall be endorsed to the State Government.
- (VII) Within thirty days of the receipt of notice referred to in sub-rule (VI), if no satisfactory reply has been received in writing from the Lessee, competent authority or State Government shall pass an order for forfeiting the surety amount and a copy of such order shall be endorsed to the State Government.
- (VIII) Upon issuance of such order by the competent authority or State Government, the State Government may realise any letter of credit or surety bond; guarantee provided or obtained as financial assurance for the purpose of performance of protective, reclamation, rehabilitation measures and shall carry out those measures or appoint an agent to do so.

30. Area restriction on grant of Mining Lease :

(1) No person shall acquire one or more Mining Lease, in respect of any mineral specified under **Part-A** of Schedule-I more than five hundred hectare and **Part-B** of Schedule-I and **Part-A** of Schedule-II, covering a total area, more than fifty hectares:

Provided that if the State Government is of opinion that in the interest of the development of any mineral, it is necessary so to do, it may, permit any person to acquire one or more mining Lease covering an area in excess of the aforesaid total area:

Provided further that for cluster mining of minor mineral/minerals the maximum area shall not exceed **ten hundred hectares**.

Explanation: For the purposes of this clause a 'person' includes an individual, a Hindu undivided family, a company, a partnership firm, an association of persons or a body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, a local authority, and every artificial juridical person.

(2) For minerals specified under **Schedule-I** and Schedule-II the minimum area shall not be less than five hectare.

Provided minimum area specified in this sub rule shall not apply for renewal of mining leases granted before commencement of these rules.

31. Application Fee:

- (1) There shall be paid a non-refundable application fee in respect of every application for grant or renewal of a Mining Lease with respect to minerals specified in Schedule-I and Schedule-II.
- (2) A non-refundable application fee shall be deposited in the following manners;

SI. No.	Area Applied	Fee
(1)	(2)	(3)
(i)	up to Five hectare	Rupees Five Thousand
(ii)	more than Five hectare	Rupees Ten Thousand

- (3) The application fee shall be deposited in the Government Treasury under the relevant revenue receipt head and the original treasury receipt Challan shall be attached with the application.
- **32. Officer authorised to receive applications :** Competent Authority or any officer authorized by the Competent Authority shall receive the applications for grant or renewal of Mining Lease for Minor Minerals and shall enter on it the date and time on which the application was received.
- **33.** Availability of certain areas: No application for Mining Lease of minerals, mentioned in Schedule-I and Part-A of Schedule-II, shall lie for areas previously held or which are being held under a Mining Lease or in respect of which the order had been made for the grant thereof, but has not been issued.

Provided that the State Government may for reasons to be recorded in writing relax the provisions of this rule as a special case.

- **34.** Reservation of areas for exploitation in the public sector, etc: The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, reserve any area for conservation, protection of environment, assessment of reserve by the State Government or for exploitation by a Government Mining corporation established for such purpose by Government of India or the State Government as a Government Company within the meaning of sub-section (45) of Section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 (No. 18 of 2013).
- **35. Acknowledgement of application :** Where an application for the grant or renewal of a Mining Lease is received by Competent Authority, such receipt shall be acknowledged under **Form-III**.
- **36. Register of application for Mining Lease.:** A register of applications for Mining Lease shall be maintained by the authorized officer in the Department of Geology & Mining in **Form-X**.
- **37. Renewal of Mining Lease:** Every application for the renewal of a Mining Lease shall be made at least one year before the date on which the lease is due to expire; and may be disposed off by the Competent Authority before the expiry of lease and if the application is not disposed off within the said period, the lease shall be deemed to have been expired.

38. Period of mining lease:

- (1) On and from the date of commencement of these Rules, all mining leases for minerals specified in **Part A** of the Schedule I shall be granted for maximum period of **fifty years**.
- (2) On and from the date of commencement of these Rules all mining leases for minerals specified in **Part B** of the Schedule I and Part A of Schedule II shall be granted for a maximum period of **thirty years**.
- (3) On and from the date of commencement of these Rules all mining leases for minerals specified in Part B of Schedule II shall be granted for the period of three years.
- (4) All mining leases granted before the commencement of these Rules, shall be extended and shall deemed to have been extended up to a maximum period as prescribed in these rules from the date of grant of such lease, subject to the condition that all the terms and conditions of the lease have been complied with:

Provided that the lease holder shall be granted the aforesaid right upon execution of a supplementary lease deed to that effect, to be executed within a period of one year from the commencement of these Rules. The Competent Authority shall have the powers to extend this period for a further period of six months, if deems fit.

(5) On the expiry of the lease period, if the mineral resource is still available in the area; the lease shall be put to auction or tendering, as the case may be, as per the procedure specified in these Rules.

39. Grant of Mining Lease through electronic auction:

- (1) Pre-requisites for electronic auction of Mining Lease :
 - (a) The Competent Authority may initiate an auction process for grant of a mining lease with respect to an area within the State in accordance with the provisions of these Rules if the mineral contents in such area have been established.
 - (b) The Competent Authority shall, prior to issuance of the notice inviting bids with respect to auction, identify and demarcate the area where a mining lease is proposed to be granted through an auction on the basis of a demarcation report obtained from Deputy Commissioner of concerned district.

(2) Procedure for e-Auction for mining lease :

- (a) Eligibility for mining lease:
 - (i) for the purpose of participating in the auction of mining lease, an applicant shall meet all the requirements as specified in Rule 5.
 - (ii) the eligibility for participating in the e-auction shall be determined as per the terms and conditions of eligibility for participating in the e-auction.
 - (iii) Preferred bidder shall be decided solely on the basis of financial bids submitted by the eligible qualified bidders.

(b) Electronic Auction:

- (i) The electronic auction shall be conducted only through a two stage forward ascending auction on an online electronic auction platform.
- (ii) The Competent Authority shall utilise any online electronic auction platform which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard guidelines.

(c) Bidding parameters:

- (i) There shall be a price fixed to be called the "reserve price" which shall be twenty percent of the notified royalty for the particular mineral; an amount in Rupees per cubic meter/ metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral despatched.
- (ii) The bidders shall quote, over and above the reserve price, for the purpose of payment to the State Government, an amount in Rupees per cubic meter/metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral despatched from the lease area as 'auction money'.
- (iii) Where an area is being auctioned for more than one mineral through electronic auction, auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.
- (iv) The auction money shall be payable to the State Government on a Quarterly basis on the mineral being despatched every Quarter. The rate offered by the bidder and accepted in eauctioning process shall be subject to price escalation linked to the Wholesale Price Index from the financial year in which the mineral despatch begins with the year in which auction was conducted being the base year.
- (v) If subsequent to the grant of a mining lease, one or more new minerals are discovered, the auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.

(d) Bidding Process:

- (i) The Competent Authority shall issue a notice for auction, published on the website of Department of Geology & Mining, to commence the auction process and such notice shall contain brief particulars regarding the area under auction, including,-
 - particulars of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner; and
 - (2) brief particulars regarding evidence of mineral contents with respect to all minerals discovered/expected in the area .
- (ii) The auction document issued by the Competent Authority shall contain,-
 - (1) report and details of the minerals available in the area;
 - (2) land survey details of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner.
- (iii) The bidders shall be provided a fixed period to study the auction documents.
- (iv) The bidding process shall commence after a period of 14 days from the date of publication of the notice for auction. The auction shall be an ascending forward online electronic auction.
- (v) For the Stage I, the Bidders shall be required to submit the Technical Bid; and initial price offer, which will have to be above the reserve price. The Technical Bid shall be evaluated to ascertain compliance of the Bidder with the eligibility conditions.
- (vi) Only those Bidders, who are found to be eligible in accordance with the prescribed eligibility conditions, shall be declared as the **"Technically Qualified Bidders"**.
- (vii) The highest initial price offer amongst the Technically Qualified Bidders quoted above the reserve price shall be the floor price for the stage-II of online electronic auction.
- (viii) (I) After opening of the Initial Price of the bid documents (Initial Price Bid), the Initial price bids shall be arranged in descending order and the technically qualified Bidders holding the first fifty percent of the ranks (with any fraction rounded off to higher integer) or the top five technically qualified bidders, whichever is higher, shall qualify as qualified bidders for participating in the stage two bidding. Only the Qualified Bidders shall be eligible to participate in the stage II of the bid process, i.e. online forward auction.
 - (II) If the number of technically qualified bidders is less than five then all the technically qualified bidders shall be considered as qualified bidders.

- (III) In the event of identical initial price offers being submitted by two or more technically qualified bidders, all such technically qualified bidders shall be assigned the same rank for the purposes of determination of qualified bidders and in such case, the afore mentioned fifty percent shall stand enhanced to fifty percent plus the number of technically qualified bidders whose initial price offers are identical less the number of such identical initial price offers.
- (ix) The bidder who gives the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder.
- (3) Right of first refusal to the owner of seventy five percent or more of the area of lease: Where an auction is notified by the Competent Authority for any land consisting of private land, either wholly or partly, in that case the highest price offer given by any bidder shall be disclosed and the owner of a private land, who participated in the bidding process and who owns seventy five percent or more of the area of lease shall have the Right of first Refusal. Upon acceptance of the highest final price offer, such owner of private land shall be declared as the Preferred Bidder. Otherwise, on refusal by such an owner of private land, the bidder with the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder:

Provided that, the owner of private land shall exercise his right of first refusal, to be given in writing, within seven working days from the date of announcement of the highest price offer for the said area put on auction. If he fails to do so within the said period he shall be deemed to have exercised his Right of First Refusal.

- (4) Right of First Refusal to the holder of the lease: On the expiry of the lease period, the lease area shall be put up for electronic auction as per the procedure specified in these Rules. Power of right of first refusal shall be given to the holder of said lease on participation in the auction.
- (5) If at any stage of the auction process only one valid bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to extend the bid due date by another seven days and if again one bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to accept the same. The Competent Authority shall have the right to annul the auction at any stage, if it deems fit.

40. Grant of Mining Lease through Electronic tender:

(1) Pre-requisites for electronic tender of Mining lease :

- (a) The Competent Authority may initiate the tender process for grant of a mining lease with respect to an area in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
- (b) The Competent Authority shall, prior to issuance of the notice inviting tender with respect to tender, identify and demarcate the area where a quarry or mining lease is proposed to be granted through tender on the basis of a demarcation report obtained from concerned Deputy Commissioner.

(2) Procedure for Electronic tendering of mining Lease :

(a) Eligibility for mining Lease:

- (i) For the purpose of participating in the E-tendering of mining lease, an applicant shall meet all the requirements as specified in Rule 5.
- (ii) The eligibility for participating in the process shall be determined as per the terms and conditions of eligibility for participating in the tender.
- (iii) The Preferred Bidder shall be decided solely on the basis of financial bids submitted by the eligible qualified bidders.

(b) Electronic Tender:

- (i) The tender shall be conducted only through an online electronic platform.
- (ii) The Competent authority shall utilise any online electronic platform which meets the minimum technical and security requirements as per standard guidelines.

(c) Bidding parameters:

- (i) There shall be a price fixed to be called the reserve price which shall be twenty percent of the notified royalty for the particular mineral; an amount in Rupees per cubic meter / metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral dispatched.
- (ii) The bidders shall quote, over and above the reserve price, for the purpose of payment to the State Government, an amount in Rupees per cubic meter /metric ton or any other standard unit of mineral despatched from the lease area as 'auction money".
- (iii) The auction money shall be payable to the State Government on a Quarterly basis on the mineral being despatched every Quarter. The rate offered by the bidder and accepted in electronic tendering process shall be subject to price escalation linked to the Wholesale Price Index from the financial year in which the mineral despatch begins with the year in which auction was conducted being the base year.

- (iv) Where an area is being allotted for more than one mineral through Electronic-tendering, auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.
- (v) If subsequent to grant of a mining lease, one or more new minerals are discovered, the auction money for the quantity of mineral despatched as quoted by the successful bidder under sub-rule (ii) shall be applicable for the purpose of payment to the State Government in respect of each such mineral.

(d) Bidding Process:

- (i) The Competent Authority shall issue a notice inviting tender, published on the website of Department of Geology & Mining, to commence the e tender process and such notice shall contain brief particulars regarding the area under e-tender, including,-
 - particulars of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner; and
 - (II) brief particulars regarding evidence of mineral contents with respect to all minerals discovered/expected in the area.
- (ii) The tender document issued by the competent authority shall contain,-
 - (I) report and details of the minerals available in the area;
 - (II) land survey details of the area identified and demarcated using demarcation report from concerned Deputy Commissioner.
- (iii) The bidders shall be provided a fixed period to study the tender document.
- (iv) The bidding process shall commence after a period of 14 (fourteen) days from the date of publication of the notice inviting tender. The electronic tender shall be an electronic tendering process on electronic platform.
- (v) The bidder who gives the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder.
- (vi) In the event of identical initial price offers being submitted by two or more technically qualified bidders, the bid submitted prior in time shall be declared as the preferred bid. The Competent Authority shall have the right to annul the auction at any stage for reasons to be recorded in writing.
- (3) Right of first refusal to the owner of seventy five percent or more of the area of lease: Where an electronic tender is notified by the Competent Authority for any land consisting of private land, either wholly or partly, in that case the highest price offer given by any bidder shall be disclosed and the owner of a private land who participated in the bidding process and who owns seventy five percent or more of the area of lease shall have the Right of first Refusal. Upon acceptance of the highest final price offer, such owner of private land shall be declared as the preferred bidder. Otherwise on refusal by such an owner of private land the bidder with the highest final price offer shall be declared as the preferred bidder:

Provided that, the owner of private land shall exercise his right of first refusal, to be given in writing, within seven working days from the date of announcement of the highest price offer for the said area put on auction. If he fails to do so within the said period he shall be deemed to have exercised his Right of First refusal.

- (4) Right of first refusal to the holder of the lease: On the expiry of the lease period, the lease shall be put up for electronic tendering as per the procedure specified in these Rules. Power of right of first refusal shall be given to the holder of said lease on participation in the tender.
- (5) If at any stage of the tender process only one valid bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to extend the bid due date by another seven days and if again one bid is given then the Competent Authority shall have the powers to accept the same. The Competent Authority shall have the right to annul the auction at any stage, if it deems fit.

41. Reasons for refusal to be recorded:

- (1) The Competent Authority may, after giving an opportunity of being heard communicate to the applicant, refused to grant or renew a mining Lease over the whole or part of the area applied for.
- (2) Where it appears that the application is not complete in all material particulars or is not accompanied by the all required documents in prescribed format, the Competent Authority, may by a notice require the applicant to supply the omission or, as the case may be, furnish the documents, without delay and in any case not later than thirty days from the date of issuance of the said notice by the Competent Authority.

42. **Register of Mining Leases**: A register of Mining Leases shall be maintained by an officer authorized by the Competent Authority in **Form-XI**.

43. Grant Order of Mining Lease:

- (1) Upon completion of the auction/tendering process, the preferred bidder shall submit a performance security in the manner specified in sub-rule (2) of **Rule 46** and upon receipt of such performance security, the Competent Authority may issue a letter of intent or grant order to the preferred bidder.
- (2) On receipt of the letter of intent the preferred bidder shall be considered to be the successful bidder upon fulfillment of the following conditions, namely:-
 - (a) compliance with all the terms and conditions of eligibility;
 - (b) obtaining all consents, approvals, permits, no-objections and the like as may be required under applicable laws for commencement of mining operations;
 - (c) consent of land owner(s) for private land; and
 - (d) submitting the mining plan, prepared and approved as per Rule 25 to the Department of Geology & Mining.
- (3) Upon fulfillment of the conditions specified in sub-rule (2), the Competent Authority may grant a mining Lease to the successful bidder and such **Mining** Lease shall be subject to the provisions of these rules, as applicable to a mining lease.
- (4) The minimum area for grant of a mining Lease shall not be less than the minimum area for which a mining lease may be granted in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and the maximum area shall be in accordance with these Rules.
- (5) Letter of intent shall be deem to have been cancelled, if preferred bidder is unable to fulfill the conditions specified in sub rule (2) within a period of six months from the date of issue of letter of intent and performance security shall be forfeited:

Provided that the Competent Authority, if it deems fit, may grant additional period in the period of sub rule (5), if preferred bidder has sufficient reasons for not fulfilling the conditions of subrule (2) within specified time.

44. **Period of Mining Lease**: (1) The period for which a Mining Lease may by granted shall be as shown in the table below,-

SI. No.	Name of the Minerals	Period
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Minerals Specified in Part A of Schedule I	Fifty Years
2.	Minerals specified in Part B of Schedule I and Part A of schedule II	Thirty Years"
3.	Minerals specified in Part B of Schedule II	Three Years"

TABLE

45. Boundaries below the Surface: The boundaries of the area covered by a **Mining** Lease shall be vertically downward below the surface towards the centre of the Earth.

46. Bid and performance security for Mining Lease:

- (1) Bid Security shall be an amount mentioned in Schedule V and VI, as may be applicable, to be submitted by all bidders in the auction.
- (2) The preferred bidder shall provide an interest free Performance Security of the amount as mentioned in **Schedule V and VI** as may be applicable, immediately after the auction is complete and in any case within seven days after announcement as the preferred bidder.
- (3) The performance security may be invoked as per provisions of the Mining Lease Deed.

47. Lease to be executed within sixty days:

- (1) Where a Mining Lease is granted or renewed, the lease deed in **Form-XII** shall be executed and registered under the Indian Registration Act, 1908 (No. 16 of 1908) within a period of Sixty days of the order of grant of the lease and if no such lease is executed within the aforesaid period, the order granting the lease shall be deemed to have been revoked and in that event all fees, security deposits paid shall be forfeited in favour of Department of Geology & Mining.
- (2) Where the lessee is unable to execute the lease deed within a period of sixty days from the date of the order, he may submit an application to the Department of Geology & Mining explaining the reason for the same before the expiry of the said period.

- (3) Every application under sub rule (2) shall be accompanied by non-refundable fee of **Rupees Five Hundred**.
- (4) The Competent Authority may, on receipt of an application made under sub-rule (2) on being satisfied on the adequacy and genuineness for the non-execution of the deed, may grant an extension to the period for execution of deed.

48. Survey of the area leased:

(1) When a Mining Lease is granted over any area, arrangement shall be made by an authorized officer of the Department at the expense of the lessee for the preparation of map clearly showing coordinates of the area granted and the demarcation of the area granted under the lease, after collecting a fee calculated according to the rates specified in the table below:-

TABLE

SI. No.	Area	Rates of fees
(1)	(2)	(3)
(a)	Area not exceeding 20 hectares	Rupees five hundred per hectare or part thereof subject to a minimum of rupees one thousand.
(b)	Area exceeding 20 hectares	Rupees one thousand per hectare or part thereof.

- (2) The lessee shall erect and maintain at their own expense, boundary pillars of substantial material, standing not less than three meter above the surface of the ground at each corner or angle in the line of the boundary, delineated in the plan attached to the lease deed, co-ordinates should be marked on all the corner pillars.
- (3) The maximum distance between any two successive boundary pillars should not be more than 10 meter.

49. Rent and Royalty:

- (1) When a Mining Lease is granted or renewed,-
 - (a) dead Rent shall be charged at the rate specified in Schedule-IV;
 - (b) royalty except for limestone shall be charged at the rates specified in Schedule- III;
 - (c) rate of royalty on limestone shall be the same as fixed by the Government of India, from time to time, for other limestone in Schedule-II of the Act;
 - (d) surface rent shall be charged at the rates specified by the District Administration , from time to time, for the area occupied or used by the lessee.
- (2) On and from the date of commencement of these rules, the provisions of sub-rule (1) shall also apply to the leases granted or renewed prior to the date of such commencement and subsisting on such date.
- (3) If the lease permits the working of more than one mineral in the same area separate Dead Rent in respect of each mineral should be charged:

Provided that the lessee shall be liable to pay the Dead Rent or royalty in respect of each mineral, whichever is higher in amount;

- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in any instrument of the lease, the lessee shall pay Royalty/ Dead Rent in respect of any mineral removed and/or consumed at the rate specified from time to time in Schedule **III and IV.**
- (5) The State Government, by notification in the Official Gazette, may amend Schedules III and IV, so as to enhance or reduce the rate at which Royalty/ Dead Rent shall be payable in respect of any mineral with effect from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette:

Provided that the State Government shall not enhance the rate of Royalty/Dead Rent, in respect of any mineral more than once during one financial year.

(6) On declaration of any mineral as minor minerals under clause (e) of Section 3 of the Act by Government of India, rates of dead rent/ royalty notified by the Central Government for said minerals shall be effective till rates are notified for the said minerals in Schedule-III and IV by the State Government. This provision shall also be applicable on minerals declared minor minerals by notification dated 10th February 2015 of Government of India.

50. District Mineral Foundation:

- (1) For any district affected by operations relating to mining, the State Government shall by notification establish non-profit earning "District Mineral Foundation" under Section 9 B of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015 (No 10 of 2015).
- (2) The objective of District Mineral Foundation shall be to work for benefit and profit of area and person affected from operations relating to mining in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.
- (3) Formation and work of District Mineral Foundation shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government.
- (4) The Holder of mining lease or mining permit shall, in addition to the royalty, pay to the District Mineral Foundation Trust of the district in which mining/quarrying operations are carried on, contribution at the rate specified in the table given below,-

TABLE

SI. No	Category of Lease	Contribution to District Mineral Foundation Trust as notified in the Arunachal Pradesh District Mineral Foundation (Trust) Rules, 2018.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Mining lease allotted without Auction	Thirty percent (30 %) of Royalty
2	Mining lease allotted with Auction	Ten percent (10%) of Royalty
3	Short term Mining Permit.	Thirty percent (30 %) of Royalty

(5) Amount to be paid as per sub-rule (4) to the District Mineral Foundation shall become payable and be paid on the same day on which such royalty is payable to the State Government.

CHAPTER - VI MINING LEASE-GENERAL CONDITIONS

51. Conditions of Mining Lease:

- (1) Every Mining Lease shall be subject to the following conditions, namely:-
 - (a) The lessee shall pay, for every year except for the first year of the lease, yearly Dead Rent at the rates specified in the Schedule IV, in advance for the whole year, on or before the 20th day of the first month of the year;
 - (b) The lessee shall pay the Dead Rent or Royalty in respect of each mineral whichever is higher in amount but not both. Such royalty shall be paid in respect of quantities of mineral intended to be consumed or transported from the leased area no sooner the amount of Dead Rent already paid equals the royalty on mineral consumed or transported by him. The Dead Rent or royalty shall be deposited in the Government Treasury under the relevant revenue receipt head.
 - (c) Lessee of the lease granted through auction/tender shall also pay the auction money, at the rate of approved auction money, for the mineral dispatched from the lease area per month.
 - (d) The lessee shall also pay for the surface area occupied or used by him for the purposes of mining operations and surface rent in advance for the whole year on or before the 20th day of the first month every year;
 - (e) Notwithstanding any other action that may be taken in case of default in payment of dues as specified in clause (a),(b),(c),(d) within time under these rules or under any other condition of the lease, the lessee shall pay interest at the rate of 24% per annum or equivalent to the rate of interest prescribed under rule 49 of the Mineral (Other Than Atomic and Hydro Carbons Energy Minerals)Concession Rules, 2016, (Central Rules) whichever is higher for all defaulted payments of Dead Rent, royalty, auction money and surface rent.
- (2) If any mineral, not specified in the lease is discovered in the leased area, the lessee shall report such discovery without delay to the Department and shall not win or dispose off such mineral without obtaining a lease therefore. If he fails to apply for such a lease within a period of ten days of the discovery of the mineral, the Competent Authority may grant lease of such mineral, to any other applicant.

- (3) The lessee shall not pay wages, less than the minimum wages prescribed by the State or the Central Government under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (No. 11 of 1948), from time to time.
- (4) The lessee shall take all measures for planting not less than twice the number of trees destroyed by reasons of mining operation in addition to restoring and leveling the land in mined out area or any other area selected by the Deputy Commissioner.
- (5) The lessee shall commence mining operation within one year from the date of execution of the lease deed and shall thereafter conduct such operations in a proper, skillful and workman-like manner.
- (6) Subject to the provision under these rules, where mining operations have not commenced within a period of one year from the date of execution of the lease deed or discontinued for a cumulative period of one year after commencement of such operation, the Competent Authority may, by an order, declare the Mining Lease as lapsed and communicate the declaration to the lessee.
- (7) Where the lessee is unable to commence mining operation for a period exceeding one year or unable to continue mining after commencement for a cumulative period of one year, for reasons beyond his control, he may submit an application to Competent Authority explaining the reasons at least ninety days before the expiry of such period.
- (8) There shall be paid, in respect of every application under sub-rule (7), a non-refundable fee of rupees five hundred, deposited in the Government treasury under the receipt head prescribed in sub-rule (3) of Rule 31.
- (9) The Competent Authority of the lease may, on receipt of an application made under sub-rule (7) and on being satisfied about the adequacy and genuineness of the reason for the non-commencement of mining operations or discontinuance thereof, pass an order before the date on which the lease would have otherwise lapsed, extended or refusing to extend the period of the lease:

Provided that where the Competent Authority on receipt of application under sub-rule (7), does not pass any order before the expiry of the date on which the lease would have otherwise lapsed, the lease shall be deemed to have lapsed/expired.

- (10) Where non-commencement of the mining operation is on account of delay in,-
 - (a) acquisition of surface rights, or
 - (b) getting the possession of the leased area, or
 - (c) supply or installation of machinery, or
 - (d) getting Financial Assistance from banks or any financial institution, and the lessee is able to furnish documentary evidence supported by a duly sworn-in affidavit stating sufficient reasons for non-commencement of mining operations, the Competent Authority may revoke the declaration/order through which the lease has lapsed.
- (11) The lessee shall, at his own expense, erect, maintain and keep in good repairs boundary marks and boundary pillars necessary to indicate the demarcation shown in the plan, at all times.
- (12) The lessee shall not carry on or allow to be carried on, any Mining operations in an area (areas) restricted as per sub-rule (2) of rule 5.
- (13) The lessee shall keep correct accounts showing the quantity and other particulars of all minerals obtained from the mine, date wise and quantities of dispatches/consumptions from the lease hold, details of vehicles used to transport such minerals, details of transport permit, the price obtained for such minerals, the name of the purchaser, the receipts for money received, the number or persons employed therein and shall furnishing the same to officers of the Department of Geology and Mining and any officer authorised by the competent authority, in this behalf, at any time.
- (14) An officer authorized by the Competent Authority shall issue a transport permit duly stamped and signed by him, in Form-XIX to accompany every carrier for every trip carrying mineral or product or products from leased area. The transport permit shall be prepared in duplicate. Duplicate copy shall be given to the driver of the carrier, after making the necessary entries. The authorized Officer shall keep proper accounts of issued and used duplicate transport permits.
- (15) Whosoever transports minerals or their products like bricks, tiles lime, dressed stone, blocks, Slabs, tiles, chips stone dust and ballast etc. without a valid pass under Form-XIX or where the transport permit found to be incomplete, distorted or tampered with, the competent authority or Director or an officer authorized by the Competent Authority may seize the mineral or its products together with all tools and equipment and the vehicle used for transport:

Provided that the provisions of this sub-rule shall not apply for the purposes of clause (i) of rule 3.

(16) The Competent authority or Director or an officer authorized by the Competent Authority, by an order in writing, may impose a penalty maximum up to four times of the equivalent of the royalty.

- (17) The seized mineral, its products, tools, equipment and vehicle may be released when the penalty so imposed is deposited.
- (18) If the penalty so imposed is not paid within 15 days from the date of the order of imposing the penalty, all the minerals, its product, tools equipment and vehicles etc. so seized shall stand forfeited and shall become the property of the State Government.
- (19) The lessee shall submit the records, books and accounts, for the purpose of assessment of royalty, to the concerned Assessing Officer, within thirty days from 30th June/31st December or whenever demanded by the Assessing officer through a notice in writing. On failure, a penalty of one thousand rupees may be imposed for every month till the production of the said record.
- (20) The lessee shall,-
 - (a) Submit by the 10th day of every month, to the Competent Authority or an officer authorized by the competent authority, a return in **Form XIII** giving the total quantity of mineral/minerals raised, removed/consumed in previous month;
 - (b) Submit on or before 15th day of July and January, to the Competent Authority or an officer authorized by the competent authority, half yearly returns upto June and December in Form-XIV;
 - (c) Submit by the 31st January of every year, to the Competent Authority a statement giving information under **Form-XV** regarding quantity and value of mineral/minerals raised /removed/ consumed during last calendar year, average number of labourers employed (men and women separately) and the number of days worked.
 - (d) In case the lessee fails to submit the information in period/date as prescribed in clause (a), (b) and (c), a penalty of five hundred rupees per month or part thereof, shall be imposed till the said information in prescribed form is produced.
- (21) The lessee shall strengthen and support to the satisfaction of Competent authority, any part of mine which in its opinion requires such strengthening or support for the safety of any railway installation, bridge, national highway, reservoir, tank, canal, or any other public works or buildings.
- (22) If the lessee or his transferee or assignee does not allow entry or inspection under sub-rule (23), the **competent authority** shall cancel the lease and forfeit, in whole, the security deposit paid by the lessee under **rule 46**.
- (23) (i) The lessee shall allow officers authorised by the Competent Authority to enter upon any building, excavation or land comprised in the lease for the purpose of inspecting the same.
 - (ii) Every owner, agent or manager of a mine shall provide all necessary facilities to the persons deputed by the State Government for the purpose of undertaking research or training in matters relating to mining operations.
- (24) The lessee shall immediately provide to the Director General, Mines Safety of Government of India at Dhanbad, the Controller General of Indian Bureau of Mines of Government of India at Nagpur and the District Magistrate of the district in which the mine is situated, a notice under **Form-XVI** appended to these rules, and shall comply with provisions mentioned in Mines Act, 1952 and rules and regulations made thereunder at the time when,-
 - (a) the working in the mine extends below superjacent ground; or
 - (b) the depth of any open cast excavation measured from its highest to the lowest point exceeds 6 meters; or
 - (c) the number of persons employed on any day exceed 50; or
 - (d) any explosive are used.
- (25) The State Government shall, at all times, have the right of pre-emption of the minerals won from the land, in respect of which the lease has been granted:
 - Provided that a fair market price prevailing at the time of pre-emption shall be paid to the lessee, for all such minerals.
- (26) In case of breach by the lessee or his transferee or assignee, of any of the conditions specified in sub-rule (1), (3), (4), (11), (12), or (13) of this rule, the Competent Authority or an **officer authorized by the Competent Authority** shall give notice in writing to the lessee or his transferee or his assignee to show cause as to why such breach should not be penalized and directing him to remedy the breach within a period of thirty days from the date of the notice. On failure to show proper cause or if the branch is not remedied within such period, the **Competent Authority**, without prejudice to any other action, shall determine the lease and forfeit, in the whole or in part, the security deposit or may alternatively receive from the lessee such penalty for the breach not exceeding four (4) times the amount of the yearly Dead Rent as mentioned in column 6 of Schedule-IV but in any case shall not be less than **rupees ten thousand**.

- (27) In case of breach of any conditions of the lease, by the lessee or his transferee or assignee, the Competent Authority shall require the lessee to pay a penalty not exceeding an amount equivalent to twice the amount of annual Dead Rent as mentioned in column 6 of Schedule-IV but in any case shall not be less than rupees five thousand.
- (28) A **Mining** Lease may contain such other conditions as the **Competent Authority** may deem necessary in regard to the following, namely,-
 - (a) the time limit, mode and place of payment of rents, royalties and auction money;
 - (b) the compensation for damage to the land covered by lease;
 - (c) the felling of trees;
 - (d) the restriction of surface operation in any area prohibited by any authority;
 - (e) the notice by lessee for surface occupation;
 - (f) the facilities to be given by the lessee for working other minerals in the leased area or adjacent areas;
 - (g) the entering and working in an reserved or protected forest;
 - (h) the security of pits and shafts;
 - (i) the reporting of accidents;
 - (j) the indemnity to State Government against claims of third parties;
 - (k) the maintenance of sanitary conditions in the mining area;
 - (I) the delivery of possession over lands and mines on the surrender, expiration or determination of the lease:
 - (m) the forfeiture of property left after determination of the lessee;
 - the power to take possession of plant, machinery, premises, and mines in the event of war or emergency;
 - the manner in which rights of third parties may be protected (whether by way of payment of compensation or otherwise) in cases where any such party is prejudicially affected by reason of any mining operation;
 - (p) the manner in which rehabilitation of flora and other vegetation such as trees, shrubs etc, destroyed by reason of any Mining Operation, shall be made in the same area or in any other areas selected by the State Government, by way of reimbursement of the cost of rehabilitation or otherwise, by the person holding the Mining Lease;
 - (q) the construction, maintenance and use of roads, power transmission lines, tramways, railways, aerial rope ways, pipelines and making of passage for water for mining purposes on any land comprised in a mine or other mineral concessions.
- 52. **Special conditions**: A Mining Lease may contain any other special conditions as may be specified by the State Government.

53. Establishment of cutting and polishing units:

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (5) of rule 51, in respect of mining Leases of minerals specified in Schedule-I, granted for the establishment of a cutting and polishing unit, if the unit is not established within a period of one year, from the date of execution of lease/leases in the State, the said lease/leases shall be deemed to be terminated.
- (2) Where the lessee is unable to establish cutting and polishing unit within one year from the date of execution of lease/leases, he may submit an application to the **Competent Authority** explaining the reason for the same before the expiry of the said period.
- (3) Every application under sub-rule (2) shall be accompanied by non-refundable fee of five (5) thousand rupees.
- (4) The **Competent Authority** may, on receipt of an application made under sub-rule (2) on being satisfied on the adequacy and genuineness for the non-establishment of cutting and polishing unit, pass an order for extension of the period up to one year to establish cutting and polishing unit.
- (5) The lessee can transport inter-state or export the set quantity of rough blocks within the first year of the mining Lease or the period extended under sub-rule (4), as may be permitted by the **Competent Authority**.

- **54. Rights of lessee :** Subject to the conditions specified in **rule 51**, the lessee, for the purposes of mining operations with respect to the land leased to him, shall have the right:-
 - (i) to work the mines;
 - (ii) to sink pits and construct building and roads;
 - (iii) to erect plant and machinery;
 - (iv) to mine and obtain building and road materials and make bricks, but not for the purposes of sale;
 - (v) to use water;
 - (vi) to use land for stacking purpose; and
 - (vii) to do any other thing specified in the lease.
- **55. Right to determine lease**: The lessee may determine the lease at any time by giving not less than six months notice in writing to the Competent authority after paying all outstanding dues to the Government and complying conditions of reclamation of mine closure plan.

56. Transfer of Mining Lease:

(1) No lessee shall transfer or sub-let his lease to any other person, nor make any arrangement with anybody, thereby creating any right, direct or indirect, over the area leased:

Provided that the permission for transfer may be granted to the lessee by the **Competent Authority** on payment of **twenty five thousand rupees** per hectare or part thereof, deposited in the same manner as prescribed in sub-rule (3) of rule 31.

Provided further that in case of transfer of mining lease, granted in government land, such transfer fee will be rupees fifty thousand per hectare or part thereof.

- (2) The **Competent authority**, may by an order in writing, determine the lease at any time if in its opinion, the lessee has committed a breach of sub-rule (1).
- (3) On receiving an application Lease under sub-rule (1), for transfer of mining Lease, and after the consent of competent authority for transfer of such lease, a transfer lease deed under Form-XVII shall be executed within one month from the date of permission or within such further period as the competent authority may allow in this behalf.

57. Amalgamation of leases:

- (1) The **Competent Authority** may, in the interest of mineral conservation and development, permit amalgamation of two or more adjoining leases held by a lessee/ lessees.
- (2) Lessee/ lessees shall submit an application for amalgamation along with a common Mining Plan for leases proposed for amalgamation.
- (3) There shall be paid, in respect of every application for amalgamation of leases, a non-refundable application fee of **rupees ten thousand**.
- (4) Period of amalgamated leases shall be co-terminus with the lease whose period expires first.
- (5) The leases situated within the distance of 50 meters, from each other in all directions, may be treated as adjoining leases:

Provided that amalgamation of leases shall not be allowed where any all-weather road or nala or river or canal or high-tension power line or railway line or any other restricted structure is falling within the above mentioned area of 50 meters.

(6) The area between the leases as mentioned in sub-rule (5) shall be the part of the amalgamated lease.

CHAPTER - VII

GRANT OF MNING PERMIT IN RESPECT OF MINERALS SPECIFIED IN PART-B OF SCHEDULE-I AND SCHEDULE - II

58. Procedure for grant of Mining Permit:

(1) On an application made to the competent authority, he may grant a mining permit in FORM 'XXI' to any person to extract and remove from any specified land in respect of minerals specified in Part-B of Schedule-I and Schedule-II not exceeding one thousand cubic meters in quantity under any one permit on payment of royalty at the rate specified in Schedule-III. Before granting such permit the competent authority shall satisfy himself that the requirement of the permit is genuine and that it does not obviate the necessity of obtaining a mining lease in the area in respect of which the permit for extraction of the mineral has been applied for.

- (2) In case mining permits is required for works of any department or undertaking of Central Government or State Government, Such permission shall only be granted to either the concerned department or its authorised contractor on furnishing of proof of award of contract.
- (3) Officer authorized by the competent authority shall grant mining permit upto 1000 Cubic Meters under any one permit.
- (4) Prior approval of the **Competent Authority** shall be required in case of grant of mining permit above 1000 Cubic Meters.

59. Application for mining permits:

- (1) An application for mining permit shall be made in form 'XVIII' and shall be accompanied by:-
 - (a) a fee of Rupees fifty only:
 - (b) a valid up -to date clearance certificate of mining dues (if any) from the concerned Deputy Commissioner.
- (2) Every application of a mining permit shall if the lands from which the minor mineral is to be extracted are lands other than government land, be accompanied by a written consent letter from the owner of such land to the effect that he has no objection to the extraction of the minerals by the applicant along with proof of ownership of such land.
- (3) Every application for extension of the period of the permit shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees fifty only.

60. Survey & Notification of Quarries:

- (1) The Department shall carry out prospecting survey to identify minor mineral quarries in respect of minerals specified in Schedule-II.
- (2) The Department shall undertake the survey to ascertain the quality & quantity of the minor minerals. For the purpose, the Sustainable Sand Mining Guidelines, 2016 notified by the Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Govt of India and the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2010 notified by the IBM shall be taken as terms of reference.
- (3) The Maximum time limit of a lease of mining operation for notified areas, quarry shall be three years extendable to further period subject to the availability of the minor minerals.
- (4) In case of notification of river bed quarries, specific river stretches shall be identified and notified as per relevant Rules or guidelines and mining/quarrying lease permit shall be granted stretch wise.
- (5) All the statutory clearances are required to be obtained before start of mining operations as per guidelines of the State and Central govt issued from time to time.
- (6) To ensure, whether the mining plan or mining operations are done as per relevant provisions of the Acts and Rules made thereunder, the Department shall also carry out, supervision and monitoring of the Mining Plan, Mining Operations being carry out in the State and submit action taken reports to the competent authority.
- (7) After operation of mining/quarrying of minor mineral, the lessee has to submit statutory reports along with the quantity of minor minerals extracted in periods as specified.

61. Mining Plan:

- (1) No Mining permit shall be granted unless there is a Mining Plan duly approved by the competent authority.
- (2) Mining Plan shall be prepared by a Requisite Qualified Person(RQP) recognised by Indian Bureau of Mines as specified under Rule 27.
- (3) Mining operation shall be carried out in accordance with the Mining Plan as specified under Rule-26.
- (4) Mining Plan shall be approved under the provisions specified under Rule-28

62. Disposal of Application for mining:

An application for the grant of mining shall be disposed off by the competent authority.

63. Condition on which the mining permit shall be granted:

- (1) Every mining permit granted under Rule 58 shall contain a condition that depth of the pit below the surface shall not ordinarily exceed three meters and for digging pits beyond three meters the permit holder shall obtain the permission of the competent authority.
- (2) Any mining permit granted under rule 58 may contain such other conditions, as the competent authority may deem necessary in regard to the following matters; namely:
 - (a) Time limit, mode and place of payment of rent and royalties:

- (b) Compensation for damage to the land covered by the permit:
- (c) Felling of trees in consultation with division forest officer in case of forest area; and under any other condition as laid down by the State Government under relevant acts and rules.
- (d) Restriction on surface operation in any area prohibited by any authority;
- (e) Report of accident;
- (f) Indemnity to government against claim of third parties;
- (g) Period within which the minor mineral shall be extracted, removed and handing over of possession of lands on expiry of such period or on the removal of the quantity of the minor mineral for which the permit is valid.
- (h) Forfeiture of property left after cancellation of the permit; and
- (i) Disposal of mineral in stock at site expiry of the permit.
- (3) In case of breach of any of the condition subject to which the permit is granted, the competent authority may cancel the permit issued. On cancellation of the permit, the quarried mineral lying on the land from which they are extracted shall become the absolute property of the State Government and may be sold by public auction by the competent authority.
- (4) The competent authority after such enquiry and verification, as it may deem necessary, shall assess amount of royalty and penalty for the excess quantity at the end of prescribed period.
- (5) Mining activities like collection of boulder, gravel, sand etc. shall not be allowed within a stretch of 1 (one) km. both upstream and downstream and of any diversion structure constructed across the river, streams and nallahs etc. for drinking water supply schemes and dam constructed for hydroelectric purpose across the rivers.
- (6) The Transport Permit for transportation of minerals in Form-XIX shall be issued on payment of advance royalty only.
- (7) Every mining permit will be valid for a period of 15 days from the date of issue.
- (8) A register of applications of Mining Permit shall be maintained in Form-XX.
- (9) Royalty on minor minerals shall be charged as per Schedule -III.
- (10) The Mining Permit holder shall, in addition to royalty, pay in advance to the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) at the rate notified in the Arunachal Pradesh District Mineral Foundation Trust (Rule), 2018 as may be specified by State Government from time to time;
- (11) Mining Permit holder shall not excavate minerals in excess of quantities mentioned in permit, any excess quantity excavated shall be charged at the rate of fifteen times of the royalty mentioned in Schedule III:

Provided further that any quantity of mineral carried away by the permit holder after the expiry of time period specified in the work order shall be treated as illegal and shall be charged at the rate of 15 times of the royalty mentioned in Schedule III;

64. The Mining permit shall be governed by the following conditions, namely:

- (i) The holder of Mining permit shall maintain complete and correct account of the mineral removed and transported from the permitted area;
- (ii) The holder of Mining permit shall allow any officer authorised by the competent authority to inspect mining/quarrying operations and verify accounts and other records;
- (iii) No sooner the permitted quantity is transported within the time period of 30 days or earlier, all unused Transport Permit together with a complete statement of the quantities duly certified by the Authorized Officer of the Department shall be furnished to the Competent Authority;
- (iv) The holder of Mining permit shall obtain all permissions/consents from the competent authority under any Act or Rules applicable for excavation or removal of minerals from the area;
- (v) The holder of Mining permit shall submit by the 10th of every month, to the Department of Geology & Mining or officer authorized by competent authority, a return in Form- XIII;
- (vi) Every holder of Mining Permit shall take all possible precautions for the protection of environment and control of pollution while conducting mining/quarrying operation.
- (vii) Any other condition, the Competent Authority may deem fit.

65. Permission for disposal of minor minerals obtained during excavation work:

- (1) The Competent authority shall grant permission for removal and use of any such Minor Minerals obtained during deepening or widening Panchayat ponds/ tanks, wells, water reservoir or any other digging work.
- (2) The said permission shall be granted on payment of an amount equivalent to royalty of such mineral in advance, for the specified quantity and period.
- 66. Permission for disposal of Minor Minerals obtained during excavation work within Mining Lease Area granted under the Mines and Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957: The Competent authority shall grant permission for transportation or use of any Minor Minerals obtained during mining operations within the mining lease area for the purpose of construction activities of the Government including local government bodies:

Provided that in case of use of Minor Mineral, collected within the Mining Lease area, by other than works department of the State Government, Competent authority shall sell it through auction and Royalty shall be paid in advance for the said sold Minor Mineral at prescribed rates.

CHAPTER - VIII

MINING OPERATIONS

67. Opencast working:

- (1) In opencast working, the benches formed shall be so arranged that the benches in mineral and overburden are separated so as to avoid mixing or wastage of mineral.
- (2) (i) in alluvial soil, boulder, aggregates, murrum, gravel, clay or other similar ground, the sides shall be slopped at an angle of safety, not exceeding 45 degrees from horizontal or such other angle as the Competent Authority may permit by an order in writing;
 - (ii) the sides shall be kept benched, and the height of any bench shall not exceed 1.5 meter and the breadth there of shall not be less than the height;
 - (iii) the benches in overburden shall be kept sufficiently in advance so that their working does not interfere with the working of mineral;
 - (iv) the overburden and waste material obtained during mining/quarrying operations shall not be allowed to be mixed with non-salable or sub-grade minerals. They shall be dumped and stacked separately;
 - the Mining operations shall be carried out in workmen-like-manner and in accordance with the provisions of the State and Central Acts and rules and regulations made there under, wherever applicable;
 - (vi) if in the opinion of the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned district or any officer authorised by the Competent Authority, the compliance with the provisions thereof is not reasonably practicable, he may, by an order in writing and subject to such conditions as he may specify therein, exempt from the operation of these rules for any workings in those cases in which special difficulties exist.
- **68. Exemptions**: Subject to the exemptions granted under the Mines Act, 1952 (No.35 of 1952) and rules made thereunder, the lessees shall comply with all provisions of the said Act and rules.

CHAPTER - IX

PROTECTION OF ENVIRONMENT

69. Protection of environment:

- (1) Every holder of Mining Lease shall take all possible precautions for the protection of environment and control of pollution while conducting mining/quarrying operation in the following manner:-
 - (a) Wherever top soil exists and is to be excavated for mining/quarrying operation, it shall be removed separately;
 - (b) The top soil so removed shall be stored for future use;
 - (c) The dumps shall be properly secured to prevent escape of material there from and cause land degradation or damage to agricultural fields, pollution of surface water bodies or cause floods;
 - (d) The site of dumps shall be selected, as far as possible, on impervious and barren ground within the leased area; and
 - (e) The top soil dumps shall be suitably terraced and established through vegetation or otherwise.

- (2) The top soil so removed shall be utilised for restoration or rehabilitation of the land which is no longer required for mining/quarrying operations.
- (3) Removal, storage and utilisation of overburden etc.-
 - (a) Every holder of an Mining Lease/Mining Permit shall take steps so that the over burden, waste rock, rejects and fines generated during mining/quarrying or during sizing shall be stored in separate dumps;
 - (b) The dumps shall be properly secured and shall be suitably terraced and stabilized through vegetation or otherwise;
 - (c) Wherever possible, the waste rock, over burden etc. shall be filled back into the mined out area/excavations with a view of restoring the land to its original use as far as possible;

70. Reclamation and rehabilitation of lands.- Every holder of Mining Lease shall:

- (i) Undertake phased restoration, reclamation and rehabilitation of lands affected by mining/quarrying operations and shall complete this work before the conclusion of such operations and the abandonment of such mine/quarry;
- (ii) Carry out mining/quarrying operations in such a manner so as to cause least damage to the flora of the area held under Mining Lease and the areas nearby;
- (iii) Every holder of a Mining Lease/Mining Permit shall,-
 - (a) take immediate measures for planting in the same area or any other area selected by the Deputy Commissioner not less than twice the number of trees destroyed by reason of any mining/quarrying operations;
 - (b) look after such trees during the subsistence of the lease after which the trees shall be handed over to the Gram Panchayat of the area in which the mine/quarries was situated; and
 - (c) restore to the extent possible other flora destroyed by mining/quarrying operations.
- (iv) Upon failure to observe these rules by the holder of a Mining Lease/Mining Permit, the Competent Authority shall recover the cost of rehabilitation and reclamation from financial assurance deposited by the holder of lease/permit under Rule 29.
- 71. Precautions against damage to public places, etc: Every holder of a Mining Lease or institution responsible for removal of Minor Minerals, ordinary sand and bajri, specified in Part-B of Schedule-II, shall take adequate precautions against damage to public buildings, monuments, roads, religious places either within the lease/specified area or in proximity to the lease/ permitted/specified area.
- 72. Measures against air, water and environment pollution, etc: Every holder of a Mining Lease or institution responsible for removal of Minor Minerals such as ordinary sand and bajri etc, specified in Part-B of Schedule-II, shall take all necessary measures for avoiding air and water pollution and protection of Environment, and shall obtain necessary consent, if applicable, from competent authority, required under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (No. 6 of 1974), the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (No. 14 of 1981) and the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 (No. 29 of 1986) and rules made thereunder and shall take all necessary steps / actions as mentioned in the consent during the course of quarrying/removal operation, as the case may be.

73. Provisions for cluster mining:

- (1) "Cluster" shall mean the geographical boundary declared by the State Government, comprising of Mining Lease/Mining Permits for Minor Minerals which already exist or may be granted in future. The area of a cluster, as far as possible, shall not exceed 1000 hectares and mineral concessions area, at the time of formation of cluster, shall not be less than 50 hectares. For cluster having area less than 1000 hectares, the minimum area under concession should be proportionate.
- (2) No Mining Lease /Mining Permits shall be granted without a proper Mining Plan including the Regional Environment Management Plan (EMP) in a cluster. For clusters of leases /permit, a Regional Environment Management Plan shall be prepared by association of lessees /permit holders of the cluster through Requisite Qualified Person (RQP) and submit the same to the Competent Authority under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for Environment Clearance/Consent.
- (3) Small leases/permit holders falling in a cluster shall form an association for the implementation of Regional Environment Management Plan approved by the Competent Authority. Any lessee/ permit holder within the boundary of cluster shall deemed to be a member of the association. Such associations shall be registered under the provisions of relevant laws.

- (4) The objectives of Regional Environment Management Plan shall be to manage the Regional Environment risk and the Regional Environment Management Plan shall primarily comprise of the following issues,:-
 - (i) removal and utilisation of top soil;
 - (ii) storage of overburden waste rock, etc;
 - (iii) reclamation and rehabilitation of lands;
 - (iv) precaution against air pollution;
 - (v) discharge of effluents;
 - (vi) precaution against noise;
 - (vii) restoration of flora and fauna;
 - (viii) water management.
 - (ix) risk management; and
 - (x) Integrated environmental management.
- 74. Mining lease or permit undertaken before the commencement of these rules: Where mining operation, under any Mining Lease or Permit, has been undertaken before the commencement of these rules, without an approved Environment Management Plan/scheme, as the case may be, from the Competent Authority, the holder of all such Mining Leases/Permits shall submit approved Environment Management Plan/scheme, at the time of renewal or within six months from the commencement of these rules, whichever is earlier of such mine/quarry.
- **75. Penalty**: Contravention of any of the provisions of Rule 70 to 71 shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend up to three months or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees or with both. In case of continuing contravention, an additional fine of two thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continue after conviction for the first such contravention, shall be imposed.

CHAPTER - X ASSESSMENT OF ROYALTY

76. Assessment and determination of royalty:

(1) Assessment and determination of royalty due from an assessee during an assessment year or as required, shall be made by the Assessing Officer after the returns in respect of that year have been filed by the assessee as required under the terms and conditions of the lease deed or the statement of production, dispatches, consumption etc has been submitted by the lease/permit holder as required:

Provided that the Assessing Officer may make a provisional assessment for a particular period during the assessment year after the receipt of returns in respect of that period.

- (2) For the purpose of assessment of royalty as mentioned in sub-rule (1), the assessee shall submit monthly returns under Form-XIII by the 10th of following month and annual return under the Form-XV within one month from the expiry of the assessment year.
- (3) If the assessee fails to submit returns as required under sub-rule (2) or the returns filed appear to be incorrect, the Assessing Officer may hold such inquiry as it may deem fit and assess royalty of the assessment year:

Provided that the Assessing Officer shall give reasonable opportunity of being heard to an assessee before taking any action under this sub-rule.

- (4) For the purpose of sub-rule (3), the Assessing Officer shall serve a 15 days notice upon the assessee requiring him to be present on such date and place specified in the notice, to produce any evidence on which the assessee relies upon in support of the correctness of the returns, statement and records furnished by him and to produce or cause to be produced such accounts pertaining to the assessment year as the Assessing Officer may require.
- (5) On the day specified in the notice, given in sub-rule (4), or on any other day thereafter which the Assessing Officer may fix, the Assessing Officer after hearing and considering the evidence as may be produced by the assessee in this behalf, shall make an order in writing or assessment of royalty payable by the assessee under Rule 76(5).
- (6) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules or in the agreement of Mining Lease, if the assessee contravenes any of the provisions of sub-rule (2),and (5) or has not adopted any method of regular accounting on the basis of which assessment can be made properly, then the Assessing Officer shall assess the royalty to the best of its judgment and may impose for each of the contravention, a penalty of 50 % of annual Dead Rent as mentioned in column of Schedule-IV.

(7) If an assessee fails to submit monthly returns, under Form-XIV under sub-rule (2), for any month within the prescribed time limit and if the Assessing Officer has reasons to believe that the assessee has evaded or avoided payment of royalty, the Assessing Officer shall, after giving to assessee a reasonable opportunity of being heard and after making such inquiry as it may consider necessary, assess the royalty for the period to the best of its judgment which shall be payable forthwith by the assessee.

CHAPTER - XI

OFFENCES & PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORISED EXTRACTION AND TRANSPORTATION

77. Penalty for unauthorized extraction and transportation:

- (1) Whenever any person is found extracting or transporting minerals or on whose behalf such extraction or transportation is being made, otherwise than in accordance with these rules, shall be presumed to be a party to the illegal extraction of minerals and every such person shall be punishable with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to **one year or with fine which may extend to 2 Lakhs rupees or with both.**
- (2) Whenever any person is found extracting or transporting mineral in contravention of the provisions of these rules, the Competent Authority or any Officer authorised by competent authority may seize the minerals and its products together with all tools, equipments and vehicles used in committing such offence.
- (3) The officer seizing such illegally extracted or transported mineral or its product, tools, equipments and vehicles shall give a receipt of the same to the person from whose possession such things were so seized and shall make report to the Magistrate having jurisdiction to try such offence.
- (4) The property so seized under sub-rule (2) shall be released by the Competent Authority on execution of a bond by the persons from whose possession such property was seized. It shall be produced at such time and place when production is asked for by the Competent Authority.:

Provided that where a report has been made to a Magistrate under sub-rule (3) then the seized property shall be released only under the orders of such Magistrate.

(5) The Competent Authority or any officer authorized by Competent Authority may, either before or after the institution of the prosecution, compound the offence so committed under sub-rule (1) on payment of market value of mineral so extracted or transported and such fine which may extend to double the market value of mineral so extracted or transported, but in no case it shall be less than **five** thousand rupees or ten times of royalty of minerals so extracted whichever is higher:

Provided that in case of continuing contravention, the Competent Authority or any officer authorised by Competent Authority may, in addition to the fine imposed also recover an amount of one thousand rupees for each day till such contravention continues.

- (6) Where an offence is compounded under sub-rule (5), no proceeding or further proceeding, as the case may be, shall be taken against the offender in respect of the offence so compounded, and the offender, if in custody, shall be released forthwith.
- (7) Any person who trespasses on any land in contravention of these rules shall be served with an order of eviction by the Deputy Commissioner of concern district.
- (8) All property seized under sub-rule (2) shall be liable to be confiscated, by an order of the Magistrate trying the offence, if the amount of the fine and other sums imposed are not paid within a period of one month from the date of the order:
- Provided that on payment of such sum within one month of the order all property so seized shall be released except that the mineral or its products, so seized mineral or its products under sub-rule (2) shall be confiscated and shall be the property of the State Government.
- (9) The Competent Authority empowered to take action under these rule, if deems necessary, may requisition necessary Police Personal and the Police Authority of concerned districts shall render such assistance as may be necessary to enable the officer to exercise the powers conferred on it by these rule to stop illegal extraction and transportation of minerals.
- (10) (i) Subject to such conditions as may be specified, the Competent Authority may authorise, either generally or in respect of particular case or class of cases, any officer posted in the concerned district to investigate all or any offence punishable under these rule.
 - (ii) Every officer so authorised to conduct such investigation, shall exercise the powers conferred upon the officer-in-charge of a police station by the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 (No. 2 of 1974) for the investigation of a cognizable offence;

- (iii) The investigation officer for the purposes of this rule shall exercise the powers of the Code of Civil Procedure 1908 (No. 5 of 1908) in respect of the following matters, namely:-
 - (a) Enforcing the attendance of any person or persons and examining them on oath or affirmation;
 - (b) Enforce production of documents, evidence and any relevant materials.
 - (c) Make preventive seizers and place preventive prohibitory orders on any premises.

78. Provision for maintaining records of consumption of minor minerals in construction activities:

- (1) Every person, company, firm, society/association engaged in construction of residential building or buildings for sale and commercial building or buildings for sale/rental purpose shall maintain a true account of all the Minor Minerals procured and used in construction under Form-XXII and shall submit to the mining officer of the concerned district, a quarterly report of Minor Minerals procured and consumed under Form-XXIII so as to reach them within thirty (30) days after the expiry of every quarter.
- (2) Every person, company, firm, society/association engaged in construction of residential building or buildings for sale and commercial building or buildings for sale/rental purpose shall allow Director/ Deputy Commissioner/mining officer or any other officer authorised by the Competent authority, to enter upon any premises/area of construction or storage of construction material for the purpose of inspection of the minerals, stored or used in the construction.
- 79. Suspension of mining operations: The Competent Authority or Director or any other officer authorized by Competent Authority, shall prohibit Prospecting/Mining Operation and seize minerals, equipment, tools and vehicles in case the Prospecting/ Mining Operations are being carried out in contravention of the terms and conditions of the Prospecting Licence, Mining Lease or Mining Permit granted under these rules or without any lease or permit irrespective of minerals, tools, equipment and vehicles lying at site or in transit:

CHAPTER - XII

APPEAL, REVISION AND REVIEW

- **80.** Appeal, appellate authorities: Where any power is exercisable /exercised under these rules, in relation to any matter, an appeal shall lie from every such order to the Secretary (Geology & Mining), Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
- **81. Revision**: The Competent Authority may at any time, suo-moto for the purpose of satisfying itself as to the legality or propriety of any order passed or as to the regularity of the proceedings, call for and examine the record of any case pending before or disposed of by any officer and may pass such order in reference thereto as it deems fit:

Provided that any order in revision under this rule shall not be varied or reversed unless reasonable opportunity of being heard is given to the interested parties.

82. Review : The State Government may, suo-moto or on application of interested parties, review its original order within ninety days from the date of issue of original order and may pass such order as it deems fit:

Provided that any order in review under this rule shall not be varied or reversed unless reasonable opportunity of being heard is given to the interested parties.

83. Limitation of appeal: No appeal shall be entertained unless presented within sixty days from the date of the order and in computing the period aforesaid, time requisite for obtaining a copy of the said order shall be excluded:

Provided that any such appeal may be entertained by an Appellate Authority after the said period, if the appellant satisfies the authority that he has sufficient cause for not making the application for appeal within time.

- **84. Application for appeal**: (1) An application for appeal/review shall be made in triplicate under Form-XXIV appended to these rules. The application for appeal/review shall be accompanied by a non refundable application fee of rupees one thousand shall be deposited, in the Government Treasury under the revenue receipt head and the original treasury receipted challan shall be attached to the application.
 - (2) The application for appeal/review shall be affixed with a court fee stamp of the value of ten rupees.
- **85. Order on appeal application :** Where an application for appeal/review is made under these rules, the authority may confirm, modify or set aside the order or pass such other order in relation thereto as it may deem just and proper.

86. Grant of stay: The Appellate Authority/the State Government may at any time direct that the execution of the order against which an appeal/review is pending be stayed for such time as it may deem fit:

Provided that no stay for the recovery of mining dues shall be granted unless the party seeking stay has paid the undisputed amounts of rents, royalties and interest due thereon and has furnished bank guarantee for the disputed amounts of such rent, royalty and interest.

CHAPTER-XIII

MISCELLANEOUS

87. Power to rectify apparent mistakes: Any mistake or error in any order passed by the Competent Authority or any other authority or officer under these rules and any error arising therein due to inadvertent omission, may be rectified at any time by the Competent Authority.

Provided that no rectification order prejudicial to any person shall be passed unless such person has given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

- **88.** Relaxation of rules in special cases: In any case or class of cases in which the State Government is of the opinion that the public interest so requires, it may grant a Prospecting licence/Mining Lease on the terms and conditions other than those prescribed in these rules.
- 89. Handing over possession of mines:
 - (1) Where Mining Lease is cancelled or determined or right of pre-emption is exercised or the period for which the lease is granted has expired, the lessee shall hand over possession of mine/quarry to the competent authority or Director or any officer authorised by competent authority within a period of fifteen days of the cancellation of the lease or determination of the lease or exercise of the right of pre-emption or the day immediately following date of expiry of the lease, as the case may be.
 - (2) Where a lessee fails to hand over possession of the mine/quarry in accordance with sub-rule (1), the competent authority or Director or any officer authorised by competent authority shall issue a notice on the lessee.
 - (3) Notice under sub-rule (2) shall contain a statement that the lessee shall hand over possession of the mine/quarry within a period of fifteen days from the date of issue of the notice, to an officer authorised under sub-rule (1) of this rule. Where a lessee fails to hand over possession of a mine/ quarry within the period specified in the notice under sub-rule (2), to the officer authorised under sub-rule (1) of this rule, he may take possession of the mine/quarry from the lessee and for that purposes may use such force as prescribed by the provisions under these rules.
- **90.** Payment of compensation to owner of surface rights etc: The holder of a Prospecting Licence or Mining Lease or Mining Permit shall be liable to pay to the occupier of the surface of the land, over which he holds the Prospecting Licence or Mining Lease or Mining Permit, as the case may be, such annual compensation as may be determined by the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned district.
- **91. Delegation of powers and functions**: The State Government, may by notification in the Official Gazette, direct that any power or function which may be exercised or performed by it under these rules, may in relation to such matters subject to such conditions, if any, as it may specify in the notification, be exercised or performed also by such officer or authority subordinate to the State Government as may be specified in the notification.
- **92. Repeal**: All rules and all executive instructions such as circulars, notifications, orders etc. corresponding to these rules in force immediately before the commencement of these rules are hereby repealed:

Provided that anything done or any action taken under the rules or instructions so repealed shall, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of these rules, be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh,

Anirudh Saran Singh, IRS Secretary (Geology & Mining) Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

SCHEDULE - I SPECIFIED MINERALS PART - A

- 1. Agate;
- 2. Ball Clay;
- 3. Barytes;
- 4. Calcareous Sand;
- 5. Calcite;
- 6. Chalk;
- 7. China Clay;
- 8. Clay (Others);
- 9. Corundum;
- 10. Diaspore;
- 11. Dolomite;
- 12. Dunite or pyroxenite;
- 13. Felsite;
- 14. Felspar;
- 15. Fireclay;
- 16. Fuschite Quartzite;
- 17. Gypsum;
- 18. Jasper;
- 19. Kaolin;
- 20. Laterite;
- 21. Limekankar;
- 22. Mica;
- 23. Ochre;
- 24. Pyrophyllite;
- 25. Quartz;
- 26. Quartzite;
- 27. Sand (Others);
- 28. Shale;
- 29. Silica Sand;
- 30. Slate; and
- 31. Steatite or Talc or Soapstone.

PART - B

- 1. Low grade limestone when used in kilns for manufacture of lime and/or as building material for building, road and other construction work.
- 2. Flag stone-natural sedimentary rock which is used for flooring, roof top etc. and used in cutting and polishing industry.
- 3. Bentonite /Fuller's earth.
- 4. Ordinary clay for making bricks or tiles by fixed chimney kiln.

SCHEDULE - II OTHER MINERALS

PART - A

- 1. Ordinary clay for making bricks, pots, tiles etc. (Except by fixed chimney).
- 2. Murrum.
- 3. RehMitti.
- 4. Slate, when used for building material.
- 5. Shale, when used for building material.
- 6. Quartzite and quartzite sand, when used for purposes of building or for making road, metal or household utensils.
- 7. Salt petre.

PART - B

1. Stone, Boulder, Shingle, Aggregates, Gravel, Ordinary Sand and Bajri.

SCHEDULE - III RATES OF ROYALTY (See Rule-49, 63(9))

SI.No.	Mineral	Rates
1.	Boulder	₹ 157 per cubic meter
2.	Aggregates	₹ 114 per cubic meter
3.	Shingle	₹86 per cubic meter
4.	Sand	₹72 per cubic meter
5.	Clay/Ordinary Soil	₹51 per cubic meter
6.	Quartzite	₹ 240 per tonne
7.	Dolomite	₹ 90 per tonne

SCHEDULE - IV RATES OF DEAD RENT IN RUPEES PER HECTARE PER ANNUM (See Rule 49)

SI.No.	Mineral	1st Year of the Mining Lease	2nd Year to 3rd Year of the Mining Lease	4th Year of the Mining lease and onwards
1.	Boulder	Nil	₹2000	₹3000
2.	Aggregates	Nil	₹2000	₹3000
3.	Shingle	Nil	₹2000	₹3000
4.	Sand	Nil	₹2000	₹3000
5.	Clay/Ordinary Soil	Nil	₹2000	₹ 3000
6.	Quartzite	Nil	₹ 10000	₹ 20,000
7.	Dolomite	Nil	₹10000	₹ 20,000

SCHEDULE - V

(See Rule 14& 46)

Fees, security deposit etc for auction/tender of Composite Licence and Mining Lease for minerals specified in PART B of Schedule-I and PART A of Schedule-II shall be as under,-

TABLE

SI.No.	Items	Rates
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Cost of Auction/Tender Document	Rupees Five Thousand
2.	Bid security	20 percent of performance Security
3.	Processing fees for Electronic Auction / Tender	Rupees Five hundred
4.	Performance security	HALF OF {Highest dead rent as notified x Area for concession in Hectares (or part thereof) x Lease period}

Explanation: Highest dead rent means the notified dead rent payable from fifth year onwards for the concerned mineral.

SCHEDULE - VI

(See Rule 14& 46)

Fees, security deposit etc for auction of Composite Licence and Mining Lease for minerals specified in PART A of Schedule I shall be as under,-

TABLE

SL. No.	ltem	Rates
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Cost of auction Document	Rupees Fifty Thousand
2.	Bid security	20 per cent of performance security
3.	Processing fees for Electronic Auction	Rupees Twenty Five hundred
4.	Performance security	Highest dead rent as notified x Area for concession in Hectares (or part thereof) x Lease period"

Explanation: Highest dead rent means the notified dead rent payable from fifth year onwards for the concerned mineral.

FORM - I

[See Rule 7-(3) (ii)]

"To be submitted in Triplicate"

Application for the Grant of Prospecting Licence and Composite Licence for Minor Minerals

	R	eceived at day of
		Date 20
To,		
	Tł	ne Director
	 Aı	runachal Pradesh
1.		Ve request that a Prospecting Licence under the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 020, be granted to me/us.
2.		sum of Rupees
3.	Th	e required particulars are given below:
	i.	Name of applicant
	ii.	Nationality of the applicant (partners, Directors, Members)
	iii.	Place of registration of incorporation (firm, Company or Society/ Association)
	iv.	Profession of individual, nature of business of firm or company or Society/Association and place of business.
	V.	Complete postal address, of the individual firm, company or society/association with Pin Code Phone/ Mobile number E-mail
	vi.	Self attested copy of PAN card/voter ID/ driving Licence/Aadhar card of individual, partners , Directors, Members
	vii.	Caste (individual or members of Society/ Association
١	/iii.	Education qualification (individual or members of Society / Association)
	ix.	Age (individual or members of Society / Association)
	Χ.	Residence address (individual or members of Society / Association)
	xi.	List of Directors / Partners / Members

- xii. Registration/incorporation certificate
- xiii. Articles of memorandum / partnership deed / bye laws
- xiv. Mineral / Minerals which the applicant intends to prospect
- xv. Period for which the prospecting licence is required.
- 4. A statement supported by an affidavit showing all the areas of prospecting licence, mineral wise in each district of the State,
 - i. already held by me / us in my / our name / names (and jointly with others) under the prospecting licence for minor minerals,
 - ii. already applied for but not yet granted and,
 - iii. being applied for simultaneously.
- 5. An affidavit of obtaining surface rights.
- 6. No dues certificate in Form II.

- 7. (a) A plan (six copies) showing the situation and boundaries of the area areas applied for and concession if any, adjoining is/are enclosed. (If this plan/these plans be considered insufficient, I/we request that the necessary plan/plans of the area/areas may be prepared in duplicate in your office at my/our cost.)
 - (b) Khasra Detail:
- 8. The plan should indicate important features, viz
 - i. if a railway, its full details i.e. name of railway , whether a branch line or a main line or colliery tramway.
 - ii. if a road, whether village or public works department or cart track.
 - iii. wells,
 - iv. temples or mosques.
 - v. burning ghat or burial ground, etc.
- 9. Preferential right sought for (mention sub-rule/rules)
- 10. Any other particulars which the applicant wishes to furnish.

SCHEDULE

Descript	ion of the area applied for :-				
(i)	Name of village				
(ii)	Gram Panchayat				
(iii)	Khashra number and area of each field or part thereof:-				
	Khasra Number Area in Hectares				
(iv)	Full description of the area applied for with regard to natural feature -				
(v)	Block,				
(vii)	Sub-division				
(viii)	Circle number				
(ix)	District				
	List of enclosures :-				
Place					
Dated					
	Your faithfully,				

N.B. -

If the application is signed by an authorized representative of the applicant, power of attorney should be attached.

Name and Designation

If all the Land Allotment number cannot be entered on this form they should be continued on a separate sheet attached to it and signed.

Where a portion of Land Allotment number only is required the approximate area of such portion will suffice.

FORM - II

[See Rule 7 (4) (b),23 (XI)]

NO DUES CERTIFICATE

Office of	issue							
loDistrictDate								
n district.		ne following mind			-	s		
Prospecti	ng Licence/	/Mining Lease/M	lining Perm	ıit etc.)				
Village	Circle	Minerals	Area in Hectare	Total D	Oues Assess	ed (in rupee	es)	Period
				Surface Rent	Dead Rent	Royalty	Other	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
mount p	aid during th	ne period from .			to			in rupee
Surfa	ace Rent	Dead Rent		Royalty	Otl	ners	Tot	al
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)			5)					
Balaı	nce Dues :-							
1.								
2.								
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- 1. In case there has been no assessment in any year, it must be stated clearly with reasons thereof.
- 2. It must be stated whether any attachment or R.R.C. are pending in respect of this lease.
- 3. This is valid only for six months from the date of issue.

Signature and Designation of authorized Officer with seal of office.

FORM III

[See Rule 8,24(3)(a)(ii) & 35]

Receipt of Application for Prospecting Licence/Composite License/ Mining Lease/Mining Permit or Renewal for Minor Minerals

Received application with the following enclosures for grant / renewal of					
from Shri	from Shri/ on			for about	
hectares	nectares of land located in Village			Panchayat	
Circle	D	istrict	, Arunachal	Pradesh for	Mineral.
Enc	closures : -				
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					
D.					
Place:					
Date :				Signature	
				Name	

(Seal of the receiving officer)

FORM IV

[See Rule 15(1)]

PROSPECTING LICENCE DEED FOR MINOR MINERALS

THIS INDENTURE made on thisday of	20between the Governor
of the State of Arunachal Pradesh (hereinafter referred to as the	Government which expression shall, where
the context so admits be deemed to include his successors and	assigns) of the one part.
And	
When the Licensee is an individual	
(Name of per	son with address & occupation) (hereinafter
referred to as the 'Licensee' which expression shall where the c	
heirs, executors, administrators, representatives, and permitted	
Tienes, exceditores, administrationes, representativees, and permitted	assigns)
When the Licensees are more than one individual	
	Name of person with address & occupation)
and(Na	me of person with addresses & occupation)
and (Nam	e of person with addresses & occupation)
(hereinafter referred to as the "Licensee" which expression shall,	where the context so admits be deemed to
include their respective heirs, executors, administrators, represe	ntatives and permitted assignee).
When the Licensee is a registered firm	(Name & address of partner)
and(Name & address of partner) and
(Name & address of partner) All carrying on business in partners	hip under the firm name and style of (Name
of the Firm)registe	ered under the Indian Partnership Act, 1932
(9 of 1932) and having their registered office at	in the town of
(hereinafter referred to as the "the Licensee" which expression shape \ensuremath{S}	nall, when the context so admits be deemed
to include all the partners of the said firm, their respective heirs, ex	kecutors, legal representative and permitted
assignee).	
When the Licensee is a registered Company	
(Name of the Company) a Co	mpany registered under
(Act under which incorporated) and having its registered office at $\! \ldots \!$	
(Address) (hereinafter referred to as the "the Licensee" which $\mbox{\rm ex}$	pression shall, where the context so admits
be deemed to include its successors and permitted assignee) of	the other part.
WHEREAS the Licensee/ Licensees has/have applied to the	e State Government in accordance with the
Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2020(her	reinafter referred to as the said rules) for a
licence to prospect for(minor min	neral) in the land specified in Schedule-'A'
hereunder written and delineated in the plan herewith annexed (h	ereinafter referred to as the said lands) and
has/have deposited with the State Government the sum of Rupee	S
as prescribed security in respect of such licence.	
NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS as follows:	

In consideration of the fees, royalties, covenants and agreements hereinafter reserved and contained and on the part of the Licensees to be paid, observed and performed, the State Government, hereby, grants and demise into the Licensee /Licensees, the sole rights and the licence.

PART - I

To enter upon the lands and to search for, win, carry away and dispose of mineral won :-

- 2. This licence shall not confer upon the Licensee a right to win or carry away the minerals for commercial purposes:

To clear undergrowth, brushwood etc:

3. Subject to the provisions of clauses (4) & (5) of Part-II of these presents, for the purpose aforesaid, to clear undergrowth and brush wood and trees with the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner, previously obtained in writing, to make and use any drains or water courses on the said lands for purposes as may be necessary for effectually carrying on the prospecting operations and for the workmen employed thereon and with the like sanction to use any water. Provided that such use shall not diminish or interfere with the supply of water to which any cultivated land, village, building or watering palace for livestock has heretofore been accustomed and that no streams, springs or well shall be fouled or polluted by any such use or the prospecting operations hereby Licensed.

To bring upon and erect machinery etc. on the said lands:

4. To erect and bring upon the said lands all such temporary huts, sheds and structures, steam sand, other engine machinery and conveniences, chattels and effects as shall be proper and necessary for effectually carrying on the prospecting operations hereby Licensed or for the workmen employment thereon.

RESERVED nevertheless to the State Government, full power and liberty at all times to enter into and upon and to grant or demise to any person or persons whomsoever liberty to enter into and upon the said lands for all or any purposes other than those for which sole rights; and licence are hereby expressly conferred upon the Licencee/Licencees and particularly (and without hereby in any way qualifying such general power and liberty) to make on, over or through the said lands such roads, tramways and ropeways as shall be considered necessary or expedient for any purposes and to obtain from and out of the said lands such stone, earth or other materials as may be necessary or requisites for making, repairing or maintaining such roads, tramways, railways and ropeways to pass and re-pass at all times over and along such roads, tramways, railways and ropeways for all purposes and as occasion shall require;

To hold the said right and licence unto the Licensee/Licensees from the date of these presents for the term of one year.

PART-II

Covenants by Licensee / Licensees

The Licensee/Licensees hereby covenants / covenant with the State Government as follows:-

Payment and rates of royalty:

(1) To pay royalty to the State Government at such rates as specified in Schedule III of the said rules and contribution to District Mineral Foundation as per the rates notified in Rule 50 in advance for mineral despatched for experimental purposes.

To carry on work in workman like manner:

(2) To work and carry on the operations, hereby, Licensed in a fair orderly skilful and workman like manner and with as little damage as may be to the surface of the lands and to trees, crops, buildings structures and other property thereon;

To undertake prospecting in any private land with the consent of occupier or owner of such land;

Not to enter upon any land in the occupation of any person without the consent of the occupier nor to cut or in any way injure any trees, standing crops, buildings, huts, structures or property of any kind of the occupier of any land or any other person without the written consent of such owner, occupier or person.

Maintenance of correct accounts:

(3) every Licensee shall maintain a correct and faithful account of all the expenses incurred by him on prospecting operations and also the quantity and other particulars of all minerals obtained during such operations and their despatch;

No prospecting operations within restricted distance from bridge, road etc. :

(4) The Licensee / Licensees shall not work or carry on or allow to be worked or carried on any prospecting operations at or to any points within a distance of 100 meters from any bridge, national or state highways, railway line, 50 meters from the road constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, other District Roads of Public Works Department; and 10 meters from grameen kachcha rasta; or 50 meters from any public place except village path;

Not to enter and cut or injure trees in forest land, etc. without previous permission:

- (5) (i) Not to enter and cut or injure any timber or tree on any forest land except in accordance with the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines issued by the Central Government, from time to time.
 - (ii) Not to enter upon or commence prospecting in any forest land without obtaining the prior written sanction of the authorized Forest Officer and in accordance with such conditions as may be prescribed in such sanction as per provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines issued by the Government of India, from time to time, in this regard.

Indemnify Government against all claims:

- (6) (a) To make reasonable satisfaction and pay such compensation as may be assessed by lawful authority in accordance with the law in force on the subject for all damage, injury, or disturbance which may be done by him in exercise of the powers granted by this licence and to indemnify and keep indemnified fully and completely the State Government against all claims which may be made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance and expenses in connection therewith.
 - (b) To pay a wage not less the minimum wage prescribed by the Central or State Government, from time to time.
 - (c) To comply with the provisions of the Mines Act, 1952.
 - (d) To comply with the provisions of the Arunachal Minor Mineral Concessions Rules, 2020.
 - (e) To take measures, at his own expense, for the protection of environment like planting of trees, reclamation of mines land, use of pollution control devices and such other measures as may be prescribed by the Central or State Government, from time to time.
 - (f) To pay compensation to the occupier of the surface of the land on the date and in the manner laid down in these rules.

Forfeiture of security deposit, etc:

(7) Whenever the security deposit of Rs....... or any part thereof or any further sum hereafter deposited with the State Government in replenishment thereof shall be forfeited or applied by the State Government. Pursuant to the power hereinafter declared in that behalf, the Licensee/ Licensees shall forthwith deposit with the State Government such further sum as may be sufficient with the unappropriated part thereof to bring the amount in deposit with the State Government up to the sum of Rupees......

Licensee not to be controlled by trust, syndicate, etc:

(8) The Licensee / Licensees shall not be controlled or permit himself / themselves to be controlled by any trust, syndicate, corporation, firm or person except with the written consent of the State Government.

Report of accident:

(9) The Licensee / Licensees shall within twenty-four hours send to the Director, Geology and Mining, Deputy Commissioner of concerned district a report of any accident causing death or serious bodily injury to property or seriously affecting or endangering life or property which may occur in the course of the prospecting operation under this licence.

Plugging of bore holes, fencing etc., and restoring the surface land after determination or abandonment:

(10) Save in the case of land over which the Licensee/Licensees shall have been granted, a Mining Lease, on or before the expiration or sooner determination of the licence, he shall within three months next after the expiration or sooner, determination of the licence or date of abandonment of the undertaking, whichever shall first occur, securely plug any bore or hole and fill up or fence any holes or excavations that may have been made in the lands to such an extent, as may be required by the Deputy Commissioner concerned and shall to a like extent restore the surface of the land and all buildings there on which may have been damaged or destroyed in the course of prospecting. Provided that Licensee/Licensees shall not be required to restore the surface of the land, or any building in respect of which full and proper compensation has already been paid.

Removal of machinery etc., after expiration, determination or abandonment :

(11) Upon expiration or sooner determination of this licence, the Licensee / Licensees shall remove expeditiously not later than thirty days at his/ their own cost all buildings structure, plant, engines, machinery implements, utensils and other property and effects theretofore erected or brought by the Licensee / Licensees and then standing or being upon the said lands by the Licensee / Licensees under the authority of these presents and then being upon the said lands:

PROVIDED that this covenant shall not apply to any part of the said lands which may be comprised in any Mining Lease granted to the Licensee /Licensees. If the machinery etc. is not removed within specified period then it shall be deemed to have become Government property.

Report of work done before the refund of security deposit:

(12) At any time before the said security deposit as refunded to him / them or transferred to any other account or within one month after the expiration or sooner determination of the license or abandonment of the operations, whichever is earlier, the Licensee /Licensees shall submit to the Director and concerned Deputy Commissioner a full report of the work done by him / them and disclose all information acquired by him / them in the course of the operations carried on under this licence regarding the geology and mineral resources of the area covered by the licence.

Report of information obtained by Licensee:

(13) The Licensee Shall submit to the Competent Authority or the officer authorised by Competent Authority officer, a yearly report along with Form-VIII so as to reach him within thirty days after the expiry of twelve months from the date of execution of the relevant prospecting licence deed or the expiry of the prospecting licence, whichever is earlier. In case the prospecting operations are abandoned, the report along with Form-VIII shall be submitted within a period of thirty days from the date of such abandonment. In case the prospecting operations are continued for a period exceeding one year, the report along with Form-VIII shall be submitted once every year and Final report along with Form-VIII within a period of three months after the completion of the prospecting operations or the expiry of the prospecting or composite license, whichever is earlier. Final report shall indicate the quality and quantity of proved and probable reserves of mineral.

PART - III

Powers of the Government

It is hereby agreed as follows:

Cancellation of the licence and forfeiture of the security deposit in case of breach of conditions:

(14) In the case of any breach of any condition of the licence by the Licensee / Licensees or his assignees, the competent authority shall give a reasonable opportunity to the Licensee / Licensees of stating him / their case and where it is satisfied that the breach is such as cannot be remedied, on giving thirty days notice to the Licensee / Licensees or his assignees, determine the license and/ or forfeit the whole or any part of the said security deposit of rupeesdeposited under the covenant in that behalf as the Competent Authority may deem fit. In case the Competent Authority considers the breach to be of a remediable nature, it shall give notice to the Licensee / Licensees or his or assignees, as the case may be, requiring him / them to remedy the breach within fifteen days from the date of receipt of the notice informing him of the penalty proposed to be inflicted if such remedy is not made within such period. If the breach is not remedied within prescribed period the licence shall be cancelled with forfeiture of the security deposit.

PART - IV

Right of Licensee / Licensees

It is hereby further agreed as follows:

(15) Preferential right of the Licensee / Licensees for obtaining Mining Lease :

Where a Prospecting Licence has been granted in respect of any land, the Licensee shall have a preferential right for obtaining a Mining Lease in respect of that land over any other person, provided that the Competent authority is satisfied that the licensee/licensees, has/have undertaken prospecting operations to establish reserves in such land; has not committed any breach of the terms and conditions of the prospecting licence; and is otherwise a fit person for being granted the Mining Lease.

(16) Refund of deposit:

Security deposit made under rule 14, if not forfeited under these rules, shall be refunded to the applicant as soon as the report referred under this rule is submitted.

PART - V

General Provisions

It is lastly agreed as follows:

Delay in fulfillment of the terms of licence due to force majeure:-

Discovery of new mineral:

(17) The Licensee shall report to the Competent Authority or Director or any officer authorized by Competent Authority, the discovery of any mineral not specified in the licence within a period of ten days from the date of such discovery and shall not undertake any prospecting operations in respect of such mineral unless such mineral is included in the licence.

Provided that in case of discovery of any mineral not specified as minor mineral, the Licensee shall have no right for including that mineral in the licence under these rules.

Service of notices:

(18) Every notice required to be given to the Licensee/Licensees shall be given in writing to such person as the Licensee/Licensees may appoint for the purpose of receiving such notices or if no such appointment is made then the notice shall be sent to the Licensee/Licensees by registered post addressed to him/ them at the address shown in his/their application for the licence or at such other address in India as he/they designate from time to time and every such service shall be deemed to be proper and valid service upon the Licensee/Licensees and shall not be questioned or challenged by him.

Immunity of Competent Authority from liability to pay compensation :

(19) If in any event the orders of the Competent Authority are revised or cancelled by the Competent Authority and State Government in pursuance of proceedings under Chapter XII of the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Rules, 2020, the Licensee/Licensees shall not be entitled to compensation for any loss sustained by the Licensee/Licensees in exercise of the powers and privileges conferred upon him/them by these presents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents have been executed in the manner hereunder appearing the day and year first above written.

SCHEDULE - A

The land covered by the licence

(Here insert the description of lands with area, boundaries, names of District, Sub-Division, Thana, etc. and cadastral survey numbers, if any. In case a map is attached, refer the map in the description to be inserted.) Description of the land covered by the licence:-

(i)	District		
(ii)	Subdivision		
(iii)	Block/Thana		
(iv)	Circle numbe	er	
(v)	Name of villa	ge	
9	S.No.	Cadastral survey numbers	Area in Hectare
	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
Total			
			Signature by Licensee / Licensees
			Signature
			By order and on behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh
			(Designation)
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Sigr	nature		
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S/o	or D/o or W/o.	Address	

FORM - IV A

[See Rule 15(1)]

COMPOSITE LICENCE DEED FOR MINOR MINERALS

State of Arunachal Pradesh (hereinafter referred to as the Government which expression shall, where the context so admits be deemed to include his successors and assigns) of the one part
And
When the Licensee is an individual
When the Licensees are more than one individual
(Name of person with addresses & occupation) and
When the Licensee is a registered firm
(Name & address of partner) and
When the Licensee is a registered Company
WHEREAS the Licensee/ Licensees has/have applied to the State Government in accordance with the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules) for a licence to prospect for
NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS as follows:

BACKGROUND:

- A. The Licensee [had participated in an Electronic Auction/Electronic Tender for grant of a prospecting licence-cum-mining lease, pursuant to which the Licensee has become eligible for grant of a prospecting licence as a first stage of the prospecting licence-cum-mining lease concession]
- B. Accordingly, the State Government is now executing this Licence for grant of a Licence to the Licensee in consideration of the fee, royalties, covenants and agreements hereinafter reserved and contained on the part of the Licence to be paid, observed and performed.

PART - I

1. GRANT OF LICENCE:

The State Government hereby grants the Licence to the Licensee over an area described in Schedule-A for conducting prospecting operations for a period of [time period], commencing from [date of commencement] with respect to following mineral(s), [name of the minerals].

2. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS:

- 2.1. The rights and obligations of the State Government and the Licensee shall be as specified in the Act and the rules made thereunder.
- 2.2. In consideration of the fees, royalties, covenants and agreements hereinafter reserved and contained and on the part of the Licensees to be paid, observed and performed, the State Government, hereby, grants and demise into the Licensee/ Licensees, the sole rights and the licence.

3. To enter upon the lands and to search for, win, carry away and dispose of mineral won :

To enter upon the said lands and to search for by mining, boring and digging or otherwise all or any(Name of minerals) lying or being within under or throughout the said lands; This licence shall not confer upon the Licensee a right to win or carry away the minerals for commercial purposes:

4. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing:

- (1) the Licensee shall:
 - i. at all times comply with the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder and any other applicable law;
 - ii. make prompt payment of royalty and any other payment required to be made by the Licensee;
 - iii. pay such compensation as may be assessed by lawful authority in accordance with the law in force on the subject for all damage, injury, or disturbance which may be done by the Licensee in exercise of the powers granted by this Licence and to indemnify and keep indemnified fully and completely the State Government against all claims which may be by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance and all costs and expenses in connection therewith;
 - iv. take measures, at his own expense, for the protection of environment like planting of trees, reclamation of mined land, use of pollution-control devices, and such other measures as may be prescribed by the Central or State Government from time to time;
 - without delay send to the competent authority or Director or Deputy Commissioner or the officer
 authorized by the competent authority a report of any accident causing death or serious
 bodily injury or serious injury to property or seriously affecting or endangering life or property
 which may occur in the course of the operations under this Licence;
 - vi. submit to the State Government a full report of the work done by the Licensee and disclose all information acquired by the Licensee in the course of the prospecting operations carried out under this Licence regarding the geology and mineral resources of the area covered by the Licence; and
 - vii. pay stamp duty and registration charges as may be applicable in respect of this Licence.
- (2) the State Government shall:
 - i. have the right to appropriate the performance security provided by the Licensee in accordance with terms of such performance security and require the Licensee to replenish the performance security. In case the performance security has been provided through a security deposit after termination of the Licence and fulfillment of all obligations of the Licensee, such security deposit shall be returned to the Licensee after appropriate deductions. It is clarified that the security deposit shall not carry any interest; and
 - ii. Every notice required to be given to the Licensee /Licensees shall be given in writing to such person as the Licensee /Licensees may appoint for the purpose of receiving such notices or if no such appointment is made then the notice shall be sent to the Licensee /Licensees by registered post addressed to him/them at the address shown in his/their application for the licence or at such other address in India as he/they designate from time to time and every such service shall be deemed to be proper and valid service upon the Licensee /Licensees and shall not be questioned or challenged by him.

PART - II

Covenants by Licensee/ Licensees:

The Licensee /Licensees hereby covenants / covenant with the State Government as follows:-

Payment and rates of royalty:

(1) To pay royalty to the State Government at such rates as specified in Schedule III of the said rules and in advance for experimental purposes and shall be liable to pay contribution to District Mineral Foundation Fund as per the rates notified in Rule 50 for mineral carried beyond two hundred cubic meters.

To carry on work in workman like manner:

- To work and carry on the operations, hereby, Licensed in a fair, orderly, skilful and workman like manner and with as little damage as may be to the surface of the lands and to trees, crops, buildings structures and other property thereon;
 - ii. To undertake work in any private land with the consent of occupier or owner of such land;
 - iii. Not to enter upon any land in the occupation of any person without the consent of the occupier nor to cut or in any way injure any trees, standing crops, buildings, huts, structures or property of any kind of the occupier of any land or any other person without the written consent of such owner, occupier or person;

Maintenance of correct accounts:

(3) Every Licensee shall maintain a correct and faithful account of all the expenses incurred by him on Composite operations and also the quantity and other particulars of all minerals obtained during such operations and their despatch;

No Prospecting-cum-mining operations within restricted distance from bridge, road etc. :

(4) The Licensee / Licensees shall not work or carry on or allow to be worked or carried on any Prospecting-cum-mining operations at or to any points within a distance of 100 meters from any bridge, national or state highways, railway line, 50 meters from the road constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, other District Roads of Public Works Department; and 10 meters from grameen kachcha rasta; 100 meters from any river or 50 meters from any public place.

Not to enter and cut or injure trees in forest land, etc. without previous permission :

- (5) i. Not to enter and cut or injure any timber or tree on any forest land except in accordance with the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines issued by the Government of India, from time to time.
 - ii. Not to enter upon or commence Prospecting-cum-mining operation in any forest land without obtaining the prior written sanction of the authorized Forest Officer and in accordance with such conditions as may be prescribed in such sanction as per provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines issued by the Government of India, from time to time, in this regard.

Indemnify Government against all claims:

- (6) i. To make reasonable satisfaction and pay such compensation as may be assessed by lawful authority in accordance with the law in force on the subject for all damage, injury or disturbance, which may be done by him in exercise of the powers granted by this licence and to indemnify and keep indemnified fully and completely the State Government against all claims which may be made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance and expenses in connection therewith.
 - ii. To pay a wage not less the minimum wage prescribed by the Central or the State Government, from time to time.
 - iii. To comply with the provisions of the Mines Act, 1952.
 - iv. To comply with the provisions of the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2020.
 - v. To take measures, at his own expense, for the protection of environment like planting of trees, reclamation of mines land, use of pollution control devices and such other measures as may be prescribed by the Government of India or the State Government, from time to time.
 - vi. To pay compensation to the occupier of the surface of the land on the date and in the manner laid down in these rules

Forfeiture of security deposit, etc:

Licensee not to be controlled by trust, syndicate, etc:

(8) The Licensee /Licensees shall not be controlled or permit himself/themselves to be controlled by any trust, syndicate, corporation, firm or person except with the written consent of the State Government.

Report of accident:

- (9) The Licensee / Licensees shall within twenty-four hours send to the Director, Geology and Mining, Deputy Commissioner of concerned district a report of any accident causing death or serious bodily injury to property or seriously affecting or endangering life or property which may occur in the course of the prospecting operation under this licence.
- (10) Plugging of bore holes, fencing etc., and restoring the surface land after determination or abandonment:-
- (11) Save in the case of land over which the Licensee/Licensees shall have been granted, a Mining Lease, on or before the expiration or sooner determination of the licence, he shall within three months next after the expiration or sooner, determination of the licence or date of abandonment of the undertaking, whichever shall first occur, securely plug any bore or hole and fill up or fence any holes or excavations that may have been made in the lands to such an extent, as may be required by the Competent authority or Deputy Commissioner concerned and shall to a like extent restore the surface of the land and all buildings there on which may have been damaged or destroyed in the course of Composite.

Provided that Licensee/Licensees shall not be required to restore the surface of the land, or any building in respect of which full and proper compensation has already been paid.

Removal of machinery etc., after expiration, determination or abandonment :

(12) Upon expiration or sooner determination of this licence, the Licensee / Licensees shall remove expeditiously not later than thirty days at his/ their own cost all buildings structure, plant, engines, machinery implements, utensils and other property and effects theretofore erected or brought by the Licensee / Licensees and then standing or being upon the said lands by the Licensee / Licensees under the authority of these presents and then being upon the said lands:

Provided that this covenant shall not apply to any part of the said lands which may be comprised in any Mining Lease granted to the Licensee /Licensees. If the machinery etc. is not removed within specified period then it shall be deemed to have become Government property.

Report of work done before the refund of security deposit :

(13) At any time before the said security deposit as refunded to him / them or transferred to any other account or within one month after the expiration or sooner determination of the license or abandonment of the operations, whichever is earlier, the Licensee /Licensees shall submit to the Competent Authority and concerned Deputy Commissioner or officer authorized by Competent Authority a full report of the work done by him / them and disclose all information acquired by him / them in the course of the operations carried on under this licence regarding the geology and mineral resources of the area covered by the licence.

Report of information obtained by Licensee:

(14) The Licensee Shall submit to the Competent Authority or the officer authorised by Competent Authority, a yearly report along with Form-VIII so as to reach him within thirty days after the expiry of twelve months from the date of execution of the relevant composite licence deed or the expiry of the composite licence, whichever is earlier. In case the prospecting operations are abandoned, the report along with Form-VIII shall be submitted within a period of thirty days from the date of such abandonment. In case the prospecting operations are continued for a period exceeding one year, the report along with Form-VIII shall be submitted once every year and Final report along with Form-VIII within a period of three months after the completion of the prospecting operations or the expiry of the prospecting or composite license, whichever is earlier. Final report shall indicate the quality and quantity of proved and probable reserves of mineral.

PART - III

Powers of the Government

It is hereby agreed as follows:-

Cancellation of the licence and forfeiture of the security deposit in case of breach of conditions:

Preferential right of the Licensee / Licensees for obtaining Mining Lease :

(2) Where a Composite Licence has been granted in respect of any land, the Licensee shall have a preferential right for obtaining a Mining Lease in respect of that land over any other person, provided that the Competent authority is satisfied that the licensee/licensees, has/have undertaken Composite operations to establish reserves in such land; has not committed any breach of the terms and conditions of the Composite licence; and is otherwise a fit person for being granted the Mining Lease.

Refund of deposit:

(3) Security deposit made under rule 14, if not forfeited under these rules, shall be refunded to the applicant as soon as the report referred under the rule is submitted.

PART - V

General Provisions

It is lastly agreed as follows:-

Delay in fulfillment of the terms of licence due to force majeure:-

Discovery of new mineral:

(1) The Licensee shall report to the competent authority and Director or any officer authorized by him, the discovery of any mineral not specified in the licence within a period of ten days from the date of such discovery and shall not undertake any Composite operations in respect of such mineral unless such mineral is included in the licence:

Provided that in case of discovery of any mineral not specified as minor mineral, the Licensee shall have no right for including that mineral in the licence under these rules.

Immunity of Competent Authority from liability to pay compensation :

(2) If in any event the orders of the Competent Authority are revised or cancelled by the Competent Authority and State Government in pursuance of proceedings under Chapter XII of the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules,2020, the Licensee/Licensees shall not be entitled to compensation for any loss sustained by the Licensee/Licensees in exercise of the powers and privileges conferred upon him/ them by these presents.

SCHEDULE - A

The land covered by the licence

(Here insert the description of lands with area, boundaries, names of District, Sub-Division, Thana, etc. and cadastral survey numbers, if any. In case a map is attached, refer the map in the description to be inserted.)

Description of the land covered by the licence:-

- i. District
- ii. Subdivision
- iii. Tehsil
- iv. Block
- v. circle number
- vi. Name of village

S.No.	Cadastral survey numbers	Area in Hectare
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	Total	

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Signatu	re		
Name		S/o or D/o or W/o	
		FORM	I - V
		[See Rule	-16(1)]
		Register of application for Prospecting	g Licence and Composite License
District			
1.	Ser	ial No.	
2.	Dat	e on which application was received by rece	eiving officer.
3.	Nar	ne of applicant with complete address, pho	ne no., email.
4.	Situ	ation and boundaries of the land applied fo	r;
	a.	Name of the village	
	b.	Name of Gram Panchayat	
	C.	Block	
	d.	Assembly Constituency	
	e.	Sub-division	
	f.	circle number	

- 5. Area in Hectares.
- 6. Particulars of minerals which the applicant desires for Prospecting.
- 7. Application fee paid.
- 8. Remarks (preferential right sought for).

g. Land Allotment/LPC Number

9. Final disposal of applications together with number and date of the order.

Signature of the officer.

FORM - VI

[See Rule 16(2)]

Register of Prospecting License and Composite License

District .	
1.	Serial No.
2.	Name of the licensee with complete address, phone no., email.
3.	Date of application and serial number in application register.
4.	Situation and boundaries of the land.
5.	Mineral for which licence has been granted.
6.	Number and date of grant order of licence with authority.
7.	Situation and boundaries of the licence granted
8.	Name of the village.
9.	Name of Gram Panchayat.
10.	Block.
11.	Sub-division.
12.	Circle number.
13.	Land Allotment/LPC Numbers.
14.	Area in hectares for which licence has been granted.
15.	Date of execution of licence.
16.	Period for which granted.
17.	Details of licence fee paid.
18.	Amount of security deposit.
19.	Date of submission of prospecting report and details of reserve and grade proved.
20.	Particulars of disposal or of refund of security deposit
21.	Date of application for Mining Lease (if any).
22.	Remarks.

Signature of the Officer.

FORM - VII

[See Rule-17 (2)]

Notice of commencement of Prospecting operations

To,					
1.	Director Geology and Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.				
2.		-	uty Commissioner		
			al Pradesh		
	(1)	Nan	ne of the mineral or minerals for which Prospecting Licence has been granted.		
	(2)	Nan	ne of the licensee		
	(3)	com	plete address, phone no., email .		
	(4)	Part	ticulars of Prospecting Licence:		
		(a)	Date of execution		
		(b)	Period: years, from to		
		(c)	Area under licencehectares.		
	(5) Location of the Prospecting Licence Area:		ation of the Prospecting Licence Area:		
		(a)	Survey of India, Topo Sheet Number		
		(b)	District & Sub-division		
		(c)	Block		
		(d)	Name of Gram Panchayat		
		(e)	circle number		
		(f)	Name of the village		
		(g)	Khasra Number		
		(h)	Area in hectare		
(6) Particulars of Geologist or Mining Engineer employed for the Prospecting Licensed at		ciculars of Geologist or Mining Engineer employed for the Prospecting Licensed area:			
		(a)	Name and address:		
		(b)	phone no.		
		(c)	email.		
		(d)	Qualifications		
		(e)	Date of appointment		
		(f)	Nature of appointment: Whole time/ Part time.		
	(7)		e of commencement of Prospecting Operations: the daythe day		
Plac	e:				

Date:

Signature:

Name in full:

Designation : Owner/Agent/ Mining Engineer/Manager

FORM - VIII

[See Rule 11(6),17(13)]

Yearly/ Final Report of Prospecting Operations carried out for Minor Mineral.

10,									
1.		artm erme	ctor nent of Geology & Mining, ent of Arunachal Pradesh,						
2.	The Deputy Commissioner District Arunachal Pradesh.								
	(1)	Nan	lame of the mineral or minerals for which Prospecting licence has been granted:						
		(a)							
		(b)							
	(2)	Nan	ne of Address of the Licensee with Phone number, Email:						
	(3)	Par	Particulars of Prospecting License :						
		(a)	Date of Execution						
		(b)	Period						
		(c)	Area under Licence :Hectare						
	(4)	Loc	cation of Prospecting License Area:						
		(a)	Khasra Number						
		(b)	Village/Sub-Division/District:						
	(5)	(5) Particulars of the Geologist/Mining Engineer-in-charge of Prospecting Operations:							
		(a)	Name & Address:						
		(b)	Phone Number:						
		(c)	Email:						
		(d)	Qualifications:						
		(e)	Date of Appointment:						
		(f)	Nature of appointment: Whole Time()/Part Time() (Please tick mark one of boxes whichever is applicable.)						
	(6)		us of Prospecting Operation: Completed ()/Abandoned () ase tick mark one of boxes whichever is applicable.)						
	(7)	Date	te of completion of Prospecting Operation or abandonment:						
	(8)	Tota	al Area in hectare, covered under Prospecting operations within licensed area.						
	(9)	Deta	ails of Prospecting Operation carried out:						
		(a)	Detailed Geological Mapping						
			(i) Area in Hectare:						
			(ii) Scale:						
		(b)	Topographical Survey						
			(i) Area in hectare:						
			(ii) Scale:						

(iii) Contour Interval:

	(c)	Pitting:			
		(i)	Num	nber of pits:	
(ii) Depth (meters)				oth (meters)	
			Ave	erage	
			Max	ximum	
			Mini	imum	
	(d) Trenching:				
		(i)	Num	nber of trenches:	
		(ii)	Dep	oth/length of trenches (Meters)	
			Ave	erage	
			Max	ximum	
Minimum					
	(e)	Drilli	ng:		
		(i)	Num	nber of boreholes completed:	
		(ii)	Gric	d interval of boreholes	
		(iii)	Tota	tal drilling (meters)	
		(iv)	Pai	rticulars of drilling machines:	
			Тур	e:	
			Ма	ike:	
			Ca _l	pacity:	
		(v)	Nun	mber of drills:	
	(f)	Total	num	nber of samples analysed:	
		(i)	Surf	face samples:	
		(ii)	Pit's	s/Trench's samples	
		(iii)	Cor	re Samples:	
			(1)	Main Constituent	
				(Please specify radicals/elements)	
			(2)	Complete analysis	
			(3)	Address of Chemical Laboratory	
(10)	Brie	ef de	scrip	otion of geology of area and Nature of depos	sits:
(11)	Ass	esse	d Re	eserve in the area along with Grade:	
(12)	Any	y othe	er inf	formation:	
det (d)	ailed outc	l geo	ologi and	a geological report describing the prospectir ical plans and sections showing location dother geological features etc. Copy of chatory, where samples were analysed.	s of (a) boreholes, (b) pits, (c) trenches,
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Place:					
Date:					re:
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				_	Agent/Mining Engineer/Manager

FORM-IX

(See Rule-23)

Application For grant of Mining Lease for Minor Mineral

			Application for grant or mining Lease for minor mineral
	Rece	ived	atday of
			Date20
Γo,			
	Dep Gov		tor ent of Geology and Mining, runachal Pradesh,
		Ū	
			ty Commissioner. District,
			l Pradesh.
	(1)		beg to apply for grant of Mining Lease for a term of years overares of land in the area specified in the schedule.
	(2)	has	m of Rupees
		(a)	Name of applicant
		(b)	Nationality of the applicant (partners, Directors, Members)
		(c)	Place of registration of incorporation (firm, Company or Society /Association.
		(d)	Profession of individual, nature of business of firm or company or Society/Association and place of business.
		(e)	Complete postal address, of the individual firm, company or society/association.
			(i) Pin Code
			(ii) Phone/
			(iii) Mobile number
			(iv) E-mail
		(f)	Self attested copy of PAN card/voter ID/ driving Licence/Aadhar card of individual, partners , Directors, Members.
		(g)	Caste (individual or members of Society/ Association).
		(h)	Educational qualification (individual or members of Society / Association)
		(i)	Age (individual or members of Society / Association)
		(j)	Residential Address (individual or members of Society / Association)
		(k)	List of Directors / Partners / Members
		(I)	Registration/in-corporation certificate
		(m)	Financial Status
		(n)	Articles of memorandum/ partnership deed / bye-laws.
		(o)	Mineral/Minerals which the applicant intends to mine.
		(p)	Period for which the Mining Lease / renewal of Mining Lease is required.
			(i) No. and date of grant order of Prospecting Licence and the date when it is due to expire.
			(ii) A report giving the details of Prospecting carried out in the said area to be attached.

(q) Manner in which the mineral raised is to be utilized.

(iii) Reserve and grade of mineral deposit as per prospecting report.

- (i) for manufacture

 - (ii) for sale
 - (iii) any other purpose

- (3) In case of manufacture the industries in connection with which it is required, should be specified. Details of plant(s) owned, proposed to be set up be given.
- (4) A statement supported by a affidavit showing all the areas mineral wise in each district of the State:-
 - (a) already held by me / us in my / our name / names (and jointly with others) under mining/quarry lease specifying the names of minor minerals,
 - (b) already applied for but not yet granted and,
 - (c) being applied for simultaneously
- (5) An affidavit of obtaining surface rights.
- (6) No dues certificate in Form II.
- (7) (a) A plan (six copies) showing the situation and boundaries of the area / areas applied for and concession if any, adjoining is / are enclosed. (If this plan / these plans be considered insufficient, I / we request that the necessary plan / plans of the area / areas may be prepared in duplicate in your office at my / our cost.)
 - (b) Khasra Details.
- (8) The plan should indicate important features, viz-
 - (a) if a railway, its full details i.e. name of railway, whether a branch line or a main line or colliery tramway.
 - (b) if a road, whether village or public works department or cart track.
 - (c) wells,
 - (d) temples or mosques
 - (e) burningghat or burial ground, etc.
- (9) Means by which mineral is to be raised i.e. by hand.....laborers, mechanical or electric power.
- (10) Preferential right sought for (mention sub-rule/rules.....
- (11) Any other particulars which the applicant wishes to furnish.

SCHEDULE

Description of the area applied for:-

- i. Name of village
- ii. Gram Panchayat and Police Station
- iii. Khasra number and area of each field or part thereof

Khasra Number

Area in Hectares

- iv. Full description of the area applied for with regard to natural feature-
- v. Block
- vi. Assembly Constituency
- vii. Sub-division
- viii. Circle No
- ix. District
- x. List of enclosures:-

Place	
Date	

Yours Faithfully

Name & Designation

NB:

- 1. if the application is signed by an authorized agent of the applicant, power of attorney should be attached.
- 2. If all the number cannot be entered on this form they should be continued on a separate sheet attached to it and signed.
- 3. Where a portion of a khasra number only is required the approximate area of such portion will suffice.

FORM - IX A

SURETY BOND STAMP DUTY AS SPECIFIED

(See Rule 29 -II)

against Item 57 of Sec. 1. A.

of Indian Stamp Act, 1899

Know all Men by These Present, that I, Resident ofin							
District	vernor) for the sum of ees or their attorney or Ily to be made, I here	₹ only, to be the officer authorized by the Governor					
As witness I have set out my hand on this da	y of	.two thousand and					
And whereas Shri of	district ted prospecting Licend tares in village	(hereinafter called ce/Mining Lease forsub-division					
And whereas the lessee has agreed to exe	ecute the prescribed a	greement with the Government.					
And whereas by virtue of the agreement to said is required to pay regularly and timely the of the licence/lease, as the case may be.		, ,					
And whereas the Governor has asked Shri to furnish surety of ₹							
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Details of the property	Value						
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In witness whereof the said							
day of Two thousand an	d						
Dated :	Photo of	Signature of the surety					
	surety	Verified and found correct has signed. This bond today in my Presence					
WITNESSES:		Magistrate, Executive					
Signature							
NameS/o or D/	Name						
Signature							
NameS/o or D/	o or W/o	Address					

FORM X

(See Rule 36)

Register of applications for Mining Leases of Minor Mineral.

District

- 1. Serial No.
- 2. Date on which application was received by receiving officer.
- 3. Name of applicant with complete address, phone no., email.
- 4. Situation and boundaries of the land applied for;
 - (i) Name of the village
 - (ii) Name of Gram Panchayat
 - (iii) Block
 - (iv) Assembly Constituency
 - (v) circle number
 - (vi) Khasra Number
- 5. Area in Hectares.
- 6. Particulars of minerals which the applicant desires for Mining Lease.
- 7. Particulars of the prospecting licence if the area applied for is covered by it.
- 8. Period for which applied.
- 9. Application fee paid.
- 10. Remarks (preferential right sought for).
- 11. Final disposal of applications together with number and date of the order.

Signature of the officer

FORM XI

(See Rule-42)

Register of Mining Leases for Minor Mineral

District

- 1. Serial Number
- 2. Name of the lessee with complete address, phone no., email
- 3. Date of application and Serial number in application register
- 4. Mineral for which lease has been granted
- 5. (a) Number and date of grant order of lease with authority
 - (b) Date of execution of Mining Lease
- 6. Period for which granted/ renewed
- 7. Situation and boundaries of the lease granted
- 8. Name of the village
- 9. Name of Gram Panchayat
- 10. Block
- 11. Assembly Constituency
- 12. Sub-division/Circle number
- 13. Khasra Numbers
- 14. Granted lease area in hectare.
- 15. Number and date of approval of Mining Plan and period.

- 16. Number and date of EIA clearance (if applicable) and period.
- 17. Amount of compensation paid for Area in col. No. 14 with date of payment and whether through Government or by private negotiations together with No. and date of order of land acquisition or transfer of lease.
- 18. Amount of surface rent fixed and date of fixation.
- 19. Amount and details of financial assurance
- 20. Amount and details of security deposits
- 21. Particulars of disposal or refund of financial assurance.
- 22. Particulars of disposal or refund of security deposit.
- 23. Date of expiry or relinquishment or cancellation of the lease.
- 24. Remarks with particulars as to date of renewal, actual expiry or relinquishment.
- 25. Date of assignment or transfer of lease, if any, and the name and address of the assignee or transferee.
- 26. Date of change together with the details of change that take place, in name nationality or other particulars of the holder of Mining Lease.
- 27. Date from which the area is available for grant (Date and number of Notification and date of availability)
- 28. Remarks

Signature of the Officer.

FORM - XII

(See Rule-47)

MINING LEASE DEED FOR MINOR MINERAL

THIS INDENTURE made on thisday of	after referred to as the
AND	
Shri	context so admits be
OR	
(Name of society/Association with address a	as "the lessee" which
OR	
(Name and addresses of partners), son of and	siness in partnerships firm) registered under in sion where the context

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OR
WHEREAS the lessee/ lessees has /have applied to the Competent Authority in Accordance with the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules,2020 (hereinafter referred to as the said Rules) for a Mining Lease for
WITNESSTH that in consideration of the rents and royalties, covenants and agreements by and in these presents and the Schedule hereunder written, reserved and contained and on the part of the lessee/lessees to be paid, observed and performed. The Competent Authority, hereby, grants and demise unto lessees.
All those mines bed
EXCEPT and reserving out of this demise unto the State Government the liberties, powers and privileges mentioned in Part IV of the said Schedule.
TO HOLD the premises hereby granted and demised unto the lessee/lessees from the
IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents have been executed in manner hereunder appearing the day and year first above written.
The Schedule above referred to
PART I - THE AREA OF THIS LEASE
Location and area of the lease: - All that tract of lands situated at village
On the North by
On the South by
On the East by
And

PART - II

to as "the said lands"

On the West by hereinafter referred

Liberties, powers and privileges to be exercised and enjoyed by the lessee/ lessees subject to the restrictions and conditions in Part III.

1. To enter upon land win, work etc.: Liberty and power at all times during the term, hereby, demised to enter upon the said lands and to win, work, dress, process, convert, carry away and dispose of the said mineral/minerals.

- 2. To bring and use machinery equipment etc.: Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to erect, construct, maintain and use on or under the said lands any engines, machinery, plant, dressing floors, brick-kilns, workshops, store house, godowns, sheds and other buildings and other works and conveniences of the like nature on or under the said lands.
- 3. To make roads and ways etc. and use existing road and ways: Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to make any tramways, roads, and other ways in or over the said lands and to use, maintain and go, and repass with or without horses cattle, wagons, or other vehicles over the same (or any existing tramways, roads and other ways in or over the said land) on such conditions as may be agreed to.
- 4. To get building and road materials etc.: Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to mine and get stone, gravel and other building and road materials and ordinary clay and to use and employ the same and manufacture such clay into bricks or tiles and to use such bricks or tiles but not to sell any such material bricks or tiles.
- 5. To use water from streams etc.: Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purpose mentioned in this part but subject to the right of any existing or future lessees and with the written permission of Deputy Commissioner to appropriate and use water from any streams, water-courses, springs or other sources in or upon the said lands and to divert, set up or dam any such stream or water course and collect or impound any such water and to make, construct and maintain any water-course culverts, dams or reservoirs but not as so to deprive any cultivated lands, villages, building or watering places for livestock or a reasonable supply of water as before accustomed nor in any way to foul or pollute any stream or springs.

Provided that the lessee/lessees shall not interfere with the navigation in any navigable steam or shall divert such stream without the previous written permission of the State Government.

- 6. To use land for stacking, heaping, depositing purposes: Liberty and power to enter upon and use a sufficient part of the surface of the said lands for the purpose of stacking, heaping, storing or depositing therein any produce of the mines or works carried on and any tools, equipment, earth and materials and substances dug or raised under the liberties and powers mentioned in this part.
- 7. Beneficiation/processing and conveying of production: Liberty and power to enter upon and use a sufficient part of the surface of the said lands to beneficiate/process any minor mineral produced from the said land and to carry away such beneficiated minor mineral.
- 8. To clear brushwood and to fell and utilize trees, etc: Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purpose mentioned In this part and subject to the existing rights of others and save as provided in clause 3 of Part III of this Schedule to clear undergrowth and brushwood and to fell and utilize any trees or timber standing or found on the said lands provided that the State Government may ask the lessee/lessees to pay for any trees or timber felled and utilisied, by him/them the rates specified by the Deputy Commissioner/DFO concerned or the State Government.

PART - III

Restrictions and conditions as to the exercise of the liberties, power and privileges in PART - II

- No building etc upon certain places. : No building or thing shall be erected set up or placed and no surface operations shall be carried on in or upon any public pleasure ground, burning or burial ground or place held sacred by any class of person or any house or village site, public road or other place which the State Government may determine as public ground nor in such a manner as to injure or prejudicially effect any building, works, property or rights of other persons and land shall be used for surface operations which is already occupied by persons other than the State Government for works or purposes not included in this lease. The lessee/lessees shall not also interfere with any right of way, well or tank.
- 2. Permission for surface operation in a land not already in use: Before using for surface operations any land which has not already been used for such operations, the lessee/lessees shall give to the Deputy Commissioner of the District two calendar months previous notice in writing specifying the name or other description of the situation and the extent of the land proposed to be so used and the purpose for which the same is required and the said land shall not be so used if objection is issued by the Deputy Commissioner within two months after the receipt by him of such notice unless the objection so stated shall on reference to the State Government be annulled or waived.
- 3. To cut trees in unreserved lands: The lessee /lessees shall not without the express sanction of the Deputy Commissioner /Concerned DFO cut down or injure any timber or trees on the said lands but may without such sanction clearway any brushwood or under growth which interferes with any operations authorized by these presents. The Deputy Commissioner or the State Government may require the lessee/lessees to pay for any trees or timber felled and utilized by him /them at the rates specified by the Deputy Commissioner of the District.

- **4. No Mining operations within prohibited distances :** The lessee/ lessees shall not work or carry on or allow to be worked or carried on any mining operations at or to any point within the prohibited distances specified in rules 5 (2) and 51(12).
- 5. Facilities for adjoining Government Licence and leases: The lessee / Lessees shall allow existing and future holders of Government Licensee or leases over any land which is comprised in or adjoins or is reached by the land held by the lessee/lessees reasonable facilities or access there to:

Provided that no substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused by such holders of Licences or leases to the operation lessee/ lessees under these present and fair compensation as may be mutually agreed upon or in the event of disagreement as may be decided by the State Government shall be made to the lessee/lessees for loss or damage sustained by the lessee/lessees by reason of the exercise of this liberty.

PART - IV

Liberties, Powers and privileges reserved to the State Government

1. To work other minerals: Liberty and power for the State Government or to any lessee or persons authorized by it in that behalf to enter into and upon the said land and to search for, win, work, dig, get, raise, dress, process, convert and carry away mineral other than the said minerals and any other substances and for those purposes to sink, drive make, erect, construct, maintain and use such pits, shafts, inclines, drifts, levels and other lines, waterways, airways, water courses, drains, reservoirs, engines, machinery, plant, building, canals, tramways, railway, roadways and other works and conveniences as may be deemed necessary or convenient:

Provided that in the exercise of such liberty and power no substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused to or with the liberties, power and privileges of the lessee/lessees under these presents and that fair compensation as may be mutually agreed upon or in the event of disagreement as may be decided by the State Government shall be made to the lessee/lessees for all loss or damage sustained by the lessee/lessees by reasons for all loss or damages sustained by the lessee / lessees by reasons or in consequence of the exercise of such liberty and power.

2. To make railway and roads: Liberty and power for the State Government or any lessee or person authorized by in that behalf to enter into and upon the said lands and to make upon over or through the same any railways, tramways, roadways, or pipelines for any purpose other than those mentioned in Part II of these presents and to get from the said lands stones, gravel, earth and other materials for making, maintaining and repairing such railway, tramways and road or any existing railways and road and to re-pass at all times with or without horse, cattle or other animals carts, wagons carriages, locomotives or other vehicles over or along any such railway tramways, road lines and other ways for all purposes and as occasion may require, provided that in the exercise of such liberty and power by such other lessee or person no substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused to or with the liberties, powers and privileges of the lessee / lessees under these presents and that fair compensations as may be mutually agreed upon or in the event of disagreement as may be decided by the State Government be made to the lessee / lessees for all loss or damage sustained by the lessee / lessees by reason or in consequence of the exercises of such liberty and power.

PART-V

Rent and Royalties reserved by this lease.

1. To pay dead rent or royalty whichever is higher: The lessee shall pay for every year of the lease, dead rent as specified in clause 2 of this part:

Provided that, where the holder of such Mining Lease becomes liable under Rule 51 of the rules to pay royalty for any mineral removed or consumed by him or by his agent, manager, employee, contractor or sub-lessee from the leased area he shall be liable to pay either such royalty or the dead rent in respect of that area, whichever is higher.

- 2. Rate and mode of payment of dead rent: Subject to the provisions of clause 1 of this Part during the subsistence of the lease, the lessee/lessees shall pay to the State Government annual dead rent for the lands demised and described in Part-I of this Schedule at the rate for time being specified in the Schedule IV of these Rules in such manner as specified in Rule 51 (1) (a).
- 3. Rate and mode of payment of royalty: Subject to the provision of clause 1 of this part, the lessee/lessees shall during the subsistence of this lease pay to the State Government as specified in Rule 51 (1)(b) royalty in respect of any mineral / minerals removed by him / them from the leased area at the rate for the time being specified in the Schedule III to the Rules.

- 5. Payment of auction money: The lessee of lease granted through auction/ tender shall pay the auction money to the State Government for the mineral dispatched every month from the lease area. Escalation in auction money price shall be on the basis of Wholesale Price Index and for this base year shall be the year of auction.

PART - VI

Provisions relating to the rents and royalties

- 1. Rent and royalties to be free from deduction etc.: The rent and royalties mentioned in Part V of this Schedule shall be paid free from any deductions to the State Government as specified in Rule 51 (1).
- 2. Mode of computation of royalty: For the purposes of computing the said royalties the lessee/ lessees shall keep a correct account of the mineral / minerals produced, consumed and dispatched. The accounts as well as the volume of mineral/minerals in stock or in the process of export may be checked by an officer authorized under the Rules.
- 3. Course of action if rents and royalties are not paid in time: Should any rent, royalty or order sums due to the State Government under the terms and conditions of these presents be not paid by the lessee/lessees within prescribed time, the same, together with simple interest due thereon at the rate of twenty four percent per annum or equivalent to the rate of interest prescribed under rule 49 of the Minerals (Other than Atomic and Hydro Carbons Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016 (As amended up to 8th December, 2016), whichever is higher, may be recovered on a certificate of authorized officers of the Department of Geology & Mining in the same manner as an arrear of land revenue.

PART - VII

The Covenants of the lessee/lessees

- 1. Lessee to pay rents and royalties, taxes etc.: The lessee/lessees shall pay the rent and royalties reserved by this lease at such times and in the manner provided in Part-V and VI of these presents and shall also pay and discharge all taxes, rents, assessments and impositions whatsoever being in the nature of public demands which shall from time to time be charged, assessed or imposed by the authority of the State Government upon or in respect of the premises and works of the lessee/ lessees in common with other premises and works of a like nature except demands for land revenues.
- 2. To maintain and keep boundary marks in good order: The lessee/lessees shall at his / their own expense erect and at all times maintain and keep in repair boundary marks and pillars according to the demarcation to be shown in the plan annexed to this lease. Such marks and pillars shall be sufficiently clear of the shrubs and other obstruction as to allow easy identification, co-ordinates shall be marked on all the corner pillars. The maximum distance between any two successive boundary pillars should not be more than 100 meters.
- 3. To Commence operations within a year and work in a workman like manner: Mining operation shall be undertaken in accordance with the approved Mining Plan as per Rule 25. The lessee/ lessees shall commence operation within one year from the date of execution of the lease and shall thereafter at all times during the continuance of this lease win, work and develop, the said minerals without voluntary intermission in a skillful and workman like manner and as prescribed under clause 12 hereinafter without doing or permitting to be done any unnecessary or avoidable damage to the surface of the said lands or the crops, building, structures or other property thereon. For the purposes of this clause operations shall include the erection of machinery, laying of a tramway or construction of a road in connection with the mine.
- 4. To indemnify Government against all claims: The lessee/lessees shall make and pay such reasonable satisfaction and compensation as may be assessed by lawful authority in accordance with the law in force on the subject for all damage, injury or disturbance which may be done by him/ them in exercise of the powers granted by this lease and shall indemnify and keep indemnified fully and completely the State Government against all claims which may be made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance and all costs and expenses in connections therewith.

- 5. To secure and keep in good condition pits, shafts, etc.: The lessee/lessees shall during the subsistence of this lease well and sufficiently secure and keep open with timber or other durable means all pits and workings that may be made or used in the said lands and make and maintain sufficient fences to the satisfaction of the Deputy Commissioner around every such pit or working whether the same is abandoned or not and shall during the same period keep all workings in the said lands except such as may be abandoned accessible free from water and foul air as far as possible.
- **6. To strengthen and support the mine to necessary extent**: The lessee/lessees shall strengthen and support to the satisfaction of the Railway Administration concerned or the State Government, as the case may be any part of the mine which in its opinion requires such strengthening or support for the safety of any railway, reservoir, canal, road and any other public works or structures.
- 7. To allow inspection of workings: The lessee/lessees shall allow any officer authorized under these Rules to enter upon the premises including any building excavation or land comprised in the lease for the purpose of inspecting, examining, surveying, prospecting and making plans thereof sampling and collecting any data and the lessee/lessees shall with proper person employed by the lessee/lessees and acquainted with the mines and works effectually assist such officer, agents, servants and workman in conducting every such inspection and shall afford them all facilities, information connected with the working of the mines which they may reasonably require and also shall and will conform to and observe all orders and regulations which the Government of India and State Government as the result of such inspection or otherwise may from time to time see fit to impose.
- 8. To report accident: The lessee/lessees shall without delay send to the Deputy Commissioner a report of any accident causing death or serious bodily injury or serious injury to the property or seriously affecting or endangering life or property which may occur in the course of the operations under this lease.
- 9. To report discovery of other minerals: The lessee/lessees shall report to the Competent Authority the discovery in the leased area of any mineral not specified in the lease without delay along with full particulars of the nature and position of each such find. If any mineral not specified in the lease is discovered in the leased area, the lessee/lessees shall not win and dispose of such mineral unless such minerals is included in the lease or a separate lease is obtained thereof.
- 10. To keep records and accounts regarding production and employees etc: The lessee/lessees shall at all time during the said term keep or cause to be kept at an office to be situated upon or near the said lands correct and intelligible books of accounts which shall contain accurate entries showing from time to time:
 - a. Quantity and quality of the said mineral / minerals realized from the said lands.
 - b. Quantities of the various qualities of the said mineral / minerals sold/ dispatched from said land and consumed within said land separately.
 - c. Quantities of the various qualities of the said mineral / minerals otherwise disposed of and the manner and purpose of such disposal.
 - d. The prices and all other particulars of all sales of said mineral / minerals.
 - e. The number of persons employed in the mines or work or upon the said lands specifying nationality qualification and pay of the technical personnel.
 - f. Such other facts, particulars and circumstances as the Central or the State Government may from time to time require and shall also furnish free of charge to such officers and at such times as the Government of India and State Government may appoint true and correct abstract of all or any such books of accounts and such information and returns to all or any of the matters aforesaid as the State Government may prescribe and shall at all reasonable times allow such officers as the Government of India or State Government shall in that behalf appoint to enter into and have free access to the said offices for the purpose of examining and inspecting the said books of accounts, plans and records and to make copies thereof and make extracts there from.
- 11. To maintain plans, etc.: The lessee / lessees shall at the all times during the said term maintain at the mine office correct intelligible up-to-date and complete plans of the mines in the said lands. They shall show all the operations, and working and all the trenches, pits made by him / them in the course of operations carried on by him/them under the lease and geological data and all such plans shall be amended and filled up by and from actual surveys to be made for that purpose at the end of twelve months or any period specified from time to time and the lessee / lessees shall furnish free of charge to the State Government true and correct copies of such plans wherever required. Accurate records of all trenches, pits shall show -
 - (a) The subsoil and strata through which they pass.
 - (b) Any mineral encountered.

- (c) Any other matter of interest and all data required by the State Government from time to time.
- (d) The lessee / lessees shall allow officer of the State Government authorized in this behalf to inspect the same at all reasonable time. He / they shall also supply when asked for by the State Government a composite plan of the area showing thickness, dip, inclination, etc. as also the quantity of reserves quality wise.
- 12. To pay compensation for injury of third parties: The lessee / lessees shall make and pay reasonable and satisfactory compensation for all damage, injury or disturbance to person or property which may be done by or on the part of lessee / lessees in exercise of the liberties and power granted by these presents and shall at all times save harmless and keep indemnified the State Government from and against all suits, claims and demands which may be brought or made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance. In case of Government land the lessee/lessees shall pay an amount equal to five percent of prevalent price fixed by Land & Revenue Department for such land of concerned district in every financial year as compensation to government.
- 13. Not to obstruct working of other minerals: The lessee/lessees will exercise the liberties and power hereby granted in such a manner as to offer no unnecessary or reasonably avoidable obstruction or interruption to the development and working within the said lands of any minerals not included in this lease and shall at all times afford to the Government of India and State Government and to the holders of prospecting Licence, Mining Leases or Mining permit in respect of any such minerals or any minerals within any land adjacent to the said lands as the case may be reasonable means of access and safe and convenient passage upon and across the said land to such minerals for the purpose of getting working, developing and carrying away the same provided that the lessee/lessees shall receive reasonable compensation for any damage or injury which he/they may sustain by reason or in consequence of the use of such passage by such lessees or holders of prospecting Licences.

14. Transfer/Amalgamation of lease:

- i. The lessee/lessees shall not, without the previous consent in writing of the Competent Authority -
 - 1. Assign, sublet, mortgage, or in any other manner transfer the Mining Lease, or any right title or interest therein, or
 - 2. Enter into or make any arrangement, contract or understanding whereby the lessee / lessees will or may be directly or indirectly financed to a substantial extent by, or under which the lessee's operation's or undertakings will or may be substantially controlled by, any person or body of person other than the lessee / lessees.
 - 3. The Competent Authority may by an order in writing determine the lease at any time if the lessee / lessees has / have in his opinion committed a breach of any of the above provisions of has/ have transferred lease or any right, title or interest therein otherwise than in accordance with **rule 56**, provided that no such order shall be made without giving the lessee / lessees a reasonable opportunity of stating his / their case.
- ii. For amalgamation of leases, lessee/lessees shall submit an application for amalgamation, along with at common Mining Plan for the leases proposed for amalgamation, in accordance with **rule 57**. The Competent Authority may permit amalgamation of leases and period of amalgamated lease shall be co-terminus with the lease whose period expires first.
- 16. Delivery of working in good order to State Government after determination of lease: The lessee / lessees shall at the expiration or sooner determination of the said term or any renewal thereof deliver up to the State Government all mines, pits, water ways, and other works now existing or hereinafter to be sunk or made on or under the said lands except such as have been abandoned with the grant of the State Government and in any ordinary and fair course of working all engines, machinery, plant, building, structure, other works and conveniences which at the commencement of the said term were upon or under the said lands and all such machinery set up by the lessee / lessees which cannot be removed without causing injury to the mines, works under the said lands (except such of the same as may with the grant of the State Government have become disused) and all buildings and structures of bricks or stone erected by the lessee / lessees above ground level in good repair order and condition and fit in all respects for further working of the said mines and the said minerals

17. Right of pre-emption:

- (a) The State Government shall from time to time and all times during the said term have the right (to be exercised by notice in writing to the lessee / lessees) of pre-emption of the said minerals (and all products thereof) lying in or upon the said lands hereby demised or elsewhere under the control of the lease/leases and the lease/leases shall with all possible expedition deliver all minerals or products or minerals purchased by the State Government under the power conferred by this provisions in the quantities at the times in manner and at the place specified in the notice exercising the said rights.
- (b) The price to be paid for all minerals or products of minerals taken in pre-emption by the State Government in exercise of the right hereby conferred shall be the fair market price prevailing at the time of pre emption:

Provided that in order to assist in arriving at the said fair market price the lessee / lessees shall if so required furnish to the State Government for the confidential information of the Government, particulars of the quantities, description and prices of the said minerals or products thereof sold to other customers and of charters entered into for freight, for carriage of the same and shall produce to such officer or officers as may be directed by the State Government original or authenticated copies of contracts and charter parties entered into for the sale or freightage of such minerals or products.

(c) In the event of the existence of a state of war or emergency (of which existence and president of India shall be the sole judge and a notification to this effect in the gazette of India shall be conclusive proof), the State Government with the consent of the Government of India shall from time to time and all times during the said term have the right (to be exercised by a notice in writing to the lessee / lessees) forth with take possession and control of the works, plant, machinery and premised of the lessee / lessees on or in connection with the said lands or operations under this lease and during such possession or control the lessee / lessees shall conform to and obey all directions given by or on behalf of the Government of India or State Government regarding the use or employment of such works, plants, premises and minerals:

Provided that fair compensation which shall be determined in default of agreement by the Government shall be paid to the lessee / lessees for all loss or damage sustained by him/ them by reason or in consequence of the exercise of the powers conferred by this clause:

Provided also that the exercise of such powers shall not determine the said term hereby granted or affect the terms and provisions of these presents further than may be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this clause.

18. Recovery of expenses incurred by the State Government: If any of the works or matters which in accordance with the covenants in that behalf hereinbefore contained are to be carried or performed by the lessee / lessees be not so carried out or performed within the time specified in that behalf, the State Government may cause the same to be carried out or performed and the lessee / lessees pay the State Government on demand all expenses which shall be incurred in such carrying out or performance of the same and the decision of the State Government as to such expenses shall be final.

19. Other obligations:

- (a) The lessee / lessees shall pay a wage not less than the minimum wage prescribed by the Government of India or State Government from time to time under Minimum Wages Act, 1948.
- (b) The lessee / lessees shall comply with provisions of the Mines Act, 1952 and the rules made there under;
- (c) The lessee / lessees shall comply with provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the rules made there under;
- (d) The lessee / lessees shall comply with provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the rules made there under;
- (e) The lessee / lessees shall comply with provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules made there under;
- (f) The lessee/ lessees shall take measures for the protection of environment like planting of trees, reclamation of land, use of pollution control devices and such other measures as may be prescribed by the competent authority or any other officer authorized for it, from time to time at his own expense.
- (g) The lessee / lessees shall pay compensation to the occupier of the land on the date and in the manner laid down in the rules;
- (h) The lessee/ lessees shall in the matter of employment give preference to the tribal's and to the local persons;
- (i) The lessee/ lessees shall not transport any mineral or its product from the leased area without a valid transport permit as provided in the rules.

PART - VIII

The Covenants of the State Government:

- 1. Lessee / Lessees may hold and enjoy rights quietly: The lessee / lessees paying the rents and royalties hereby reserved and observing and performing all the covenants and agreements herein contained and on the part of the lessee / lessees to be observed and performed shall and may quietly hold and enjoy the rights and premises hereby demised for and during the term hereby granted without any in lawful interruption from or by the State Government or any person rightfully claiming under it.
- 2. Acquisition of land of third parties and compensation thereof: If in accordance with the provision of clause 4 of Part VII of this Schedule the lessee / lessees shall offer to pay to an occupier of the surface of any part of the said lands compensation for any damage or injury which may arise from the proposed operations of the lessee / lessees and the said occupier shall refuse his consent to the exercise of the rights and powers reserved to the State Government and demised to the lessee / lessees by these presents and the lessee / lessees shall report the matter to the State Government and shall deposit with it the amount offered as compensation and if the State Government are satisfied that the amount of compensation offered is fair and reasonable or if it is not so satisfied and the lessee / lessees shall have deposited with it such further amount as the State Government shall consider fair and reasonable the State Government shall order the occupier to allow the lessee / lessees to enter the land and to carry out such operations as may be necessary for the purpose of this lease. In assessing the amount of such compensation the State Government shall be guided by the principles of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (No. 30 of 2013).
- 3. **To renew**: The Mining Lease is renewable in terms of the provisions of the rules.

4. Liberty to determine the lease :

- (a) The lessee / lessees may at any time determine this lease by giving not less than six calendar months notice in writing to the Competent Authority and upon the expiration of such notice provided that the lessee / lessees shall upon such expiration render and pay all rents, royalties, compensation for damages and other moneys which may then be due and payable under these presents to the lessor or any other person or persons and shall deliver these presents to the State Government then this lease and the said term and the liberties, powers and privileges hereby granted shall absolutely cease and determine but without prejudice to any right or remedy of the lessor in respect of any breach of any of the covenants or agreements contained in these presents.
- (b) The Competent Authority may on an application made by the lessee permit him to surrender one or more minerals from his lease which is for a group of minerals on the ground that deposits of that mineral have since exhausted or depleted to such an extent that it is no longer possible to work the mineral economically, subject to the condition that the lessee;
 - (i) Makes an application for such surrender of mineral at least six months before the intended date of surrender and.
 - (ii) Gives an undertaking that he will not cause any hindrance in the working of the mineral so surrendered by any other person who is subsequently granted a Mining Lease for that mineral.
- 5. Refund of security deposits: On such date as the Deputy Commissioner may elect after the determination of this lease or of any renewal thereof, the amount of the security deposit paid in respect of this lease and then remaining in deposit with the State Government and not required to be applied to any of the purposes mentioned in this lease shall be refunded to the lessee/lessees. No interest shall run on the security deposit.

PART - IX

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Obstructions to inspection: In case the lessee / lessees or his / their transferee /assignee does/ do not allow entry or inspection by the officers authorized by the Government of India or State Government under the said rules, the competent authority shall give notice in writing to the lessee / lessees requiring him/ them to show cause within such time as may be specified in the notice why the lease should not be determined and his / their security deposit forfeited; and if the lessee / lessees fails / fail to show cause within the aforesaid time to the satisfaction of the Competent Authority may determine the lease and forfeit the whole or part of the security deposit.
- 2. Penalty in case of default in payment of royalty and breach of covenants: If the lessee / lessees or his / their transferee or assignee makes / make any default in payment of rent or royalty as required by the rules, Act or commits a breach of any of the conditions and covenants; other than those referred to in covenant I above, the competent authority or the authorized officer shall give notice to the lessee / lessees requiring him / them to pay the rent and royalty with interest as per rule 51 (1) (e) or remedy the breach, as the case may be within sixty days from the date of receipt of the notice and if the rent and royalty with interest are not paid or the breach is not remedied within such period, the Competent Authority without prejudice to any proceedings that may be taken against him / them, determine the lease and forfeit the whole or part of the security deposit or may impose penalty as provided in the rules.

- 3. Lessee / Lessees to remove his / their properties on the expiry of lease: The lessee / lessees having first paid discharged rent, and royalties payable by virtue of these presents may at the expiration or sooner determination of the said term or within three calendar months thereafter (unless the lease shall be determined under clauses 1 and 2 of this part and in that case at any time not less than 15 days nor more than three calendar months after such determination) take down and remove for his / their own benefit all or any engines, machinery, plant, building, structures, tramways and other works, erections and conveniences which may have been erected, set up or placed by the lessee / lessees in or upon the said lands and which the lessee/ lessees is / are not bound to deliver to the State Government under these rules.
- 4. Forfeiture or property left more than three months after determination of lease: If at the end of three calendar months after the expiration or sooner determination of the said term under the provision contained in clause 4 of part VIII of this schedule become, effective there shall remain in or upon the said land any engines, machinery, plant, building structures, tramways and other work, erections and conveniences or other lands held by him / them under Mining Lease the same shall if not removed by the lessee / lessees within one calendar months after notice in writing requiring their removal has been given to lessee / lessees by the competent authority be deemed to become the property of the State Government and may be sold or disposed of in such manner as the State Government shall deem fit without liability to pay any compensation to the account to then lessee / lessees in respect thereof.
- 6. For the purpose of stamp duty the anticipated royalty from the demised land is rupees per year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these present have been executed in the manner hereunder appearing the day and year first above written.

Signed by
For and on behalf of the Governor
(Lessor) dated
(Lessee)
(Signature and Designation of Lessee with date)
WITNESSES:-
Signature
Name
S/o or D/o or W/o
Address
Signature
Name

S/o or D/o or W/o.....

Address

FORM - XIII

[See Rule 51 (20)(a), 64(v),76(2)]

Monthly Return for Mining Lease/Permit for Minor Mineral

(To be submitted by 10th of ensuing month)

		For the month of
To,		
	The Director Deptt of Geology & Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.	
	The Deputy CommissionerDistrict' Arunachal Pradesh.	
1.	Name of the lessee /permit holder :	
2.	Postal address/Phone number/e-mail	
3.	Location of Mining lease/permit:	
	a. District	
	b. Sub-Division	
	c. Block	
	d. Circle	
	e. Village	
	f. Gram Panchayat	
4.	Detail of Mining Lease/permit:	
	a. Mineral/minerals	
	b. Area in hectare	
	c. Period of lease/permit from	to
	d. Khasra Number	
Not	te:-All figures be given in cubic meters.	
1.	Opening stock	:
2.	Production of mineral	:
3.	Total (1+2)	:
4.	Consumption of mineral	:
5.	Dispatch of Mineral	:
6.	Total consumption and dispatch (4+5)	:
7.	Closing Stock (3-6)	:
8.	Transport Permit used book Nos. and Serial Nos.	:
9.	Products from mineral consumed	
	(a) Opening stock	:
	(b) Production	:
	(c) Total (a+b)	:
	(d) Dispatch	:

:

(e) Closing stock (c-d)

10.	Balance payable royalty :
11.	Royalty for this month:
12.	Total Royalty (10+11) :
13.	Royalty paid vide challan NoDatePlace
14.	Balance due (12-13)
15.	Remarks:
Date	9
Plac	ee
	Signature
	Name
	Of the lessees/permit holder or authorize person
	FORM - XIV
	[See Rule- 51(20)(b)]
	Half Yearly Return for Mining Lease of Minor Mineral
	1.1.20 to 30.6.20
	1.7.20to 31.12.20
	(To be submitted by 15th July / 15th January)
To,	
	The Director Deptt of Geology & Mining,
	Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
	Itanagar.
	The Deputy Commissioner
	District, Arunachal Pradesh.
1.	Name of the mining lessee holder:
2.	Postal address/phone number/e-mail
3.	Location of Mining Lease:
	(a) District,
	(b) sub-division.
	(c) Block
	(d) Gram Panchayat
	(e) Circle/Subdivision
	(f) Village
4.	Detail of Mining Lease:
	(a) Mineral/minerals
	(b) Area in hectare
	(c) Period of lease year, fromto
	(d) Khasra Number

Note:	All figu	ures de given in cubic meters.
1.	Total	production in half year:
2.	Cons	sumption:
3.	Disp	atches:
4.	Total	(2+3):
5.	Roya	alty:
6.	Dead	d Rent paid:
7.	Roya	alty payable (5-6):
8.	Roya	alty paid challan NoPlace
9. F	Please	e give details for -
	(1)	Pits mouth value :
	(2)	Sale price:
	(3)	Average number of persons employed per day:
	(4)	Depth of mine:
	(5)	Use of explosives if any:
10.	Rer	mark
Date		
Place		
		signature and name of the lessees or authorize person

FORM - XV [See Rule 51(20) (c), 76(2)]

Annual Return for Mining Lease of Minor Minerals (To be submitted by 31st January every year)

To,

The Director Deptt of Geology & Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

The Deputy CommissionerDistrict, Arunachal Pradesh.

Part - I General

- 1. Name of the lessee:
- 2. Postal address/phone number/e-mail/
- 3. Location of Mining Lease:
 - a. District
 - b. Circle
 - c. Block
 - d. Gram Panchayat
 - e. Village

- 4. Detail of Mining Lease:
 - a. Mineral/Minerals
 - b. Area in hectare
 - c. Khasra Number
 - d. Date of Execution
 - e. Date of possession
 - f. Period of Mining Lease
 - g. Year: From...... To....... To......
- 5. Transferor of previous quarry lessee, if any date of transfer.
- 6. Ownership (please mark)
 - a. Community
 - b. Individual
 - c. Any other

Part-II - Utilization of area

- 7. Lease area utilization as at the end of year
 - a. Area already exploited and abandoned.
 - b. Area covered under current operations
 - c. Area used for waste disposal.
 - d. Area used for any other purpose (Give details)

Part - III - Rents and Royalties.

- 8. Royalty paid during the year
 - a. Royalty during the year:
 - b. Amount of past arrears if any paid during the year:
- 9. Amount of dead rent paid during the year.
- 10. Surface Rent Area for which surface rent is payable
 - a. Amount paid for the year.
 - b. Amount paid for past arrears if any

Part - IV - Production and dispatches.

- 11. Production and dispatch
 - a. Opening stock
 - b. Production
 - c. Dispatches
 - d. Closing stock

Part - V - Cost of Production

- 12. Cost per tone
 - a. Over head cost
 - b. Interest
 - c. Depreciation
 - d. Taxes, Royalty etc
- 13. Explosives and machinery used (Give specific details)

Part - VI - General Geology & Mining

- 14. General geology of the area.
 - Geology
 - b. Name of rock/mineral excavated and disposed as waste
 - c. Name of rock/mineral excavated but not sold i.e. mineral reject
 - d. Reserves and Resources estimated at the end of year

1.

2.

3.

4.5.

6.

15.	5. Exploration:						
	a. Item Number Meterage Grid/Dimension Remark						
	b. Drilling						
	c. Trenching						
	d. Pitting						
16.	Mining						
	a. Number of benches: In mineral In ove	r burden					
	b. Height of benches : Average Maximum	ıMinimum					
	c. Depth of the deepest working from adjacent g	round					
	d. Number of trees planted during the year						
	e. Total trees planted up to previous year: No.	of survived Trees					
	f. Mineral production proposed for next year						
	g. Please indicate the salient features which affected	mining/quarrying operations during the year.					
[Date:						
F	Place:						
		Signature and name of the lessees or authorize person					
	FORM XVI						
	[Rule-51(24)]						
	NOTICE						
	Notice						
(a)	Name of Mine						
(b)	Name of mineral worked						
(c)	Location of mine (Village, Thana, Sub Division, District	t, State)					
(d)	Date when work was first started.						
(a)	Name, postal address, phone and e-mail of present or	wner (s)					
(b)	(b) Name, postal address, phone and e-mail of agent, if any						
(a)	Name, postal address, phone and e-mail of the Manag	ger					
(b)	His/Her age						
(c)	(c) His/Her qualifications						
(d)	His/Her experience in mining.						
Whe	ther working are likely to be extended below ground.						
(a)	Maximum depth of open cast excavation measured from	om its highest to its lowest point.					
(b)	Date when depth first exceeded 6 meters.						
(a)	Nature, amount and kind of explosives used, if any.						
(b)	Date when explosive were first used.						
		Name and Signature of Owner/Agent / Manager					
		Date					

To be sent to :-

assignees);

- 1. The Director General, Mines Safety, Govt. of India, Dhanbad.
- 2. The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Govt. of India, Nagpur,
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner of the District where the mine situated.
- 4. The Director or officer authorized by competent authority.

FORM - XVII

[See Rule 56-(3)]
MODEL FORM FOR TRANSFER OF Mining LEASE of MINOR MINERAL
When the transferor is an individual
The indenture made this
OR
When the transferor is a Society / Association.
(Name of the Society / Association with address and occupation) and
OR
When the transferor is a registered firm
(Name of the person with address of all the partners) all carrying on business in partnership under the firm name and style of
OR
When the transferor is a registered company
which incorporated) and having their registeredoffice at
AND
And when the transferee is an individual
OR
When the transferee is a Society / Association

OR

When the transferee is a registered firm	(Name of the person with address of all the
partners) all carrying on business in partnership und	ler the firm name and style of
(Name of the firm) registered under the Indian Partne	ership Act, 1932 (9 of 1932) and having their registered
office at hereinafter referred	to as the "transferee" (which expression shall where the
context so admits be deemed to be include their resp	ective heirs, executors, administration, representatives
and their permitted assignees)	

OR

AND

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh hereinafter referred to as the "State Government" (which expression shall where the context so admits be deemed to be include their respective heirs, executors, administration, representatives and their permitted assignees) of the third part.

Now this deed witnessed as follows:

- 1. The transferee hereby covenants with the State Government that from and after the transfer and assignment of the lease the transferee shall be bound by, and be liable to perform, observe and conform and be subject to all the provisions of all the covenants, stipulations and conditions contained in said herein before recited lease in the same manner in all respect as if the lease had been granted to the transferee as the lessee there under and he had originally executed it as such.
- 2. It is further hereby agreed and declared by the transferor of the one part and the transferee of the other part that
 - i. The transferor and the transferee declare that they have ensured that the mineral rights over the area for which the Mining Lease is being transferred vest in the State Government.
 - ii. The Transferor hereby declares that he/she has not assigned, subject; mortgaged or in any other manner transferred the Mining Lease now being transferred and that no other person or persons has any right; title or interest where under in the present Mining Lease being transferred.
 - iii. The transferor further declares that he/she has not entered into or made any agreements, contract or understanding whereby he had been or is being directly or indirectly financed to a substantial extent by or under which the transferor's operation or understandings were or are being substantially controlled by any person or body of persons other than transferor.
 - iv. The transferee hereby that he / she has accepted all the conditions and liabilities which the transferor was having in respect of such "Mining Lease"
 - v. The transferee further declares that he/she is financially capable of and will directly undertake mining operations.
 - vi. The transferor has supplied to the transferee the Original or certified copies of all plans of abandoned working in the area and in a belt 65 meter wide surrounding it.

- vii. The transferee hereby further declares that as a consequence of this transfer, the total area which is held by him under Mining Leases are not in contravention of the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2020.
- viii. The transferor has paid all the rent, royalties and other dues towards Government till the date, in respect of this lease.

In witness where of the parties hereto have signed on the date and year first above written.

SCHEDULE LOCATION AND AREA OF THE LEASE

•	
	Bearing khasra Nos
annexed and thereon coloured	
	On the North by
	On the South by
	On the east by
AND	
	On the west by
Signed by	
For and on behalf of the State Government	
In the presence of -	
1.	
2.	
Signature of transferor	
In the presence of witnesses	
1.	
2.	
Signature of	
transferee in the presence of	
1.	

2.

FORM - XVIII

[See Rule 59-(1)]

Application for Grant of Mining or Mining Permit

F	Rece	ived at	(place) on the
То, .			
Sir,			
	ted t	to me/us. A sum of Rupees t	der the Arunachal Pradesh Minor Minerals Concession Rules 2020 be ifty being the fee in respect of this application is deposited (copy of wing particulars are enclosed:
	(i)	Clearance certificate of payn	nent of mining dues.
	(ii)		owner from which minor minerals it is to be extracted. If the land from e extracted are private lands.
	(iii)	Mineral which the applicant	intends to mine.
	(iv)	The details of the lands from	n which the mineral is to be quarried.
	(v)	Quantity of the minor minera	al to be extracted.
	(vi)	_	raction of the minor mineral shall be completed. I/we do hereby declare d above are correct am/are ready to furnished any other details as may
		-	declare that I/ we shall adhere to the terms and conditions as indicated anditions imposed by the competent authority.
			Signature of the applicant
			Yours faithfully
			Applicant Name & Address,
			SCHEDULE
	•	tion of the Mine/ Quarry :-	
(i)	Name of village.	
(ii)	Gram Panchayat	
(iii)	Name of Mine/Quarry	
(iv	<u>'</u>)	Circle	
(v	')	District	
List	of er	nclosures :-	
Plac	е		
Date	ed		Yours Faithfully

Name and Designation

FORM - XIX

[See Rule 51 (14&15), 63(6)] FORM OF CHALLAN FOR TRANSPORT OF MINOR MINERAL

- 1. Name and Address of the lessee/permit-holder.
- 2. Details of the royalty permits.
 - a. Permit No./Date of issue.
 - b. Total Quantity of minor minerals.
- 3. Details of the quarry from where minor minerals extracted
- 4. Name of Minor Minerals.
- 5. Quantity carried
- 6. Balance Quantity
- 7. Truck No./Carrier No.
- 8. Name & address of the Driver in case of minor minerals is to be transported by Road.
- 9. Name and Address of the persons/contractors to whom material has been sold and supplied.
- 10. Place of delivery of materials.
- 11. Date and time of dispatch

Seal of competent officer.

Signature of the lessee/Permit holder.

FORM - XX

[See Rule 63(8)] Register of Application for Mining Permit for Minor Minerals

District

- 1. Serial No.
- 2. Date on which application was received by receiving officer.
- 3. Name of applicant with complete address, phone no., email.
- 4. Situation and boundaries of the Mine/Quarry applied for;
 - a. Name of the village
 - b. Name of Gram Panchayat
 - c. Block
 - d. Circle
 - e. Khasra Number
- 5. Area in Hectares.
- 6. Particulars of minerals applied for.
- 7. Quantity of mineral required in cubic meters.
- 8. Period for quarry permit.
- 9. Application fee paid.
- 10. Remarks (Details of project for which mineral is required).
- 11. Final disposal of applications together with number and date of the order.

Signature of the officer.

FORM - XXI

[See Rule 58(1)]

FORM OF GRANT OF MINING PERMIT

1.	Permit No
2.	Date of issue
3.	Name and address of the permit holder

Name of the village, plot No. etc	Name of quarry from where minor minerals to be extracted		Date of Expiry of permit		Name & Description of Minor Mineral		Purpose for which it will be used
1		2	3		4		5
Quantity of Minor Minerals to be removed		Rate of royalty		CI	Treasury nallan No etc	Tota	l Amount paid
6		7	7		8		9

Seal:

Competent Authority

CONDITIONS

- 1. Minor minerals have to be removed within the prescribed time limit.
- 2. Quarrying is not allowed beyond the depth of 3 meters form the surface. Permit holders shall have to obtain the approval of the competent authority for digging below three meter from the surface.
- 3. Compensation, if any, shall have to be paid by the permit holder for damage to the land covered under the permit.
- 4. Felling of the trees is not allowed without prior permission of the competent authority.
- 5. Surface operation shall not be done in any public prohibited and restricted place.
- 6. Every type of accident shall be reported immediately to the nearest authority.
- 7. The party shall be liable to indemnify the claims of the third parties. State Government shall not be responsible for such claims in any way.
- 8. The mineral(s) left after cancellation of the permit shall be forfeited to the Government and the same shall be deemed to be the Government property.
- 9. No excess quantity of mineral beyond the permit shall be removed without obtaining prior permit. Otherwise the permit holder shall be liable of action under the rules of Arunachal Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules-2020.
- 10. Proper account for the extraction and removal shall be maintained in the prescribed form and a monthly return shall be submitted within the months following:
- 11. Pacca Challans in the prescribed form shall have to be issued for the mineral to be dispatched or sold from the area.
- **N.B**:- Breach of any of the condition noted above, is liable for the cancellation of the permit, forfeiture of the mineral extracted and such other action as may be deemed necessary.

FORM - XXII

[See Rule 78(1)]

Format for maintaining records of consumption of minor minerals in construction of residential building or buildings for sale and commercial buildings for sale/rental purpose.

- Name, address, phone and e-mail of the:-person/s, company, firm, society/association
- 2. Details of construction work:-
- (i) Location
- (ii) Type of construction (road/building, etc.)
- (iii) Proposed area of civil construction
- (iv) Mineral wise estimated quantity required for the proposed civil work:
- 3. Quantity of the minor minerals required and Source, (monthyear......):-

SI.No.	Date	Mineral	Vehicle No.	Name of the quarry	Transport Permit No.	Quantity (in cubic meters)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

	4.	Total quantity	of minerals	procured during	the month	20
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(Quantity in cubic meters)

Name of mineral	No. of trucks	Total Quantity procured in the Month	Quantity used in the month for Civil Construction	Balance stock at the site	Remark
1	2	3	4	5	6
(a) Boulder					
(b) Aggregates					
(c) Sand					
(d) Bricks (Quantity in numbers)					
(e) Soils					
(f) Others					

5.	Proposed	period of	construction

6.	Any other information:
Place :	
Date:.	

Signature

Name in full & Designation

FORM - XXIII

[See Rule 78(1)]

Quarterly Report of consumption of minor minerals in construction of residential building or buildings for sale and commercial building or buildings for sale/rental purpose

To,						
	The Officer-In-Charge Mining Section, Office of the Deputy District	Commissioner	Γ,			
Subj	ect : Quarterly Report	of consumptio	n of minor minera	als for the period fro	om to	
	Name, address, phor company, firm, socie					
2.	Details of construction	n work:-				
	(a) Location					
	(b) Type of constru	ction (road/bui	lding, etc.)			
	(c) Proposed area	of civil constru	ction			
	(d) Mineral wise est		ty required for			
	(e) Total quantity of utilized/balance			/ to		
(Qua	antity in cubic metres	s)				
	Name of Mineral	No. of Trucks	Total Quantity procured in the Month	Quantity used in the month for Civil Construction	Balance stock at the site	Remark
	1	2	3	4	5	6
(;	a) Boulder					
(1	b) Aggregates					
(c) Sand					
(d) Bricks (Quantity in numbers)					
(e) Soils					
(1	f) Others					
3.	Proposed period of co	onstruction:				
4.	Any other informatio	n:				
Plac	:e:					
Date):					

Signature:

Name in full & Designation

FORM - XXIV

[See Rule 84]

MODEL FORM OF APPLICATION FOR APPEAL/REVIEW (To be submitted in triplicate)

- 1. Name and address of individual(s), society, firm or company, applying.
- 2. Phone no. and email.
- 3. Profession.
- 4. Name of authority, Order number and date against which the appeal/review is filed (copy of order attached)
- 5. Minor mineral or minerals for which the appeal is filed.
- 6. Details of the area in respect of which the application is filed.

District	Circle	Village	Panchayat	Khasra No & Total Area

- 7. Whether application fee has been deposited in the manner prescribed. (Original receipt to be attached.)
- 8. Whether the appeal/review/revision application has been filed within time specified if not, the reasons for not presenting it within the prescribed limits as provided for in rules.
- 9. Name and complete address of the party / parties impleaded.
- 10. No. of copies attached.
- 11. Synopsis of the case (Maximum two pages).
- 12. List of dates and events.
- 13. Brief facts of the case.
- 14. Grounds of appeal.
- 15. Prayer.
- 16. If the appeal/review application has been filed by the holder of power of Attorney, to be attached.

Place :	
Date :	
0	
Signature of the Applicant	

By order and in the name of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh,

Anirudh Saran Singh, IRS Secretary (Geology & Mining) Government of Arunachal Pradesh Itanagar.

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