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PART I

Punjab Government Notifications and Orders

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 22nd June, 2021

No.PMMR/DMG/2487.- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 read with clause (c) of sub-section 2 of section 23 C of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, (Central Act 67 of 1957), and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Minor Mineral Rules, 2013, namely:-

RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Minor Mineral (Amendment) Rules, 2021.
(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. In the Punjab Minor Mineral Rules 2013 (herein referred as 'said rules', after rule 72, the following rules shall be inserted, namely:

“72 (A). Registration of a carrier used for transportation of mineral in any form and the requirement of a mineral transport permit. (1) Any mode of carrier transport, mechanically driven or otherwise, and used for transportation of any mineral from any quarry site in the State, in whatever form, shall be required to be registered with the Director or such officer as authorized by him for the said purpose and for such period as required for any part or parts of the State. All such permits shall be issued through online mode. All such vehicles shall be fitted with Global Positioning System for real time tracking.

(2) A carrier used for transportation of any mineral shall be registered for the purpose of these rules by an officer authorized by the Director for a period of seven days or three months or one year on payment of fees specified in the Schedule.

(3) No mineral concession holder or a permit holder under these rules shall allow loading of

any mineral from their concession area, in a carrier of whatever description, which is not registered as such in accordance with these rules.

(4) Carriers deployed for transportation of mineral(s) from any other State into or through the State shall also obtain such Mineral Transport Permits for such periods as required from the authorized officer in case of a carrier/ vehicle used for such purpose through online mode or through offline mode from the nearest check-post established by the Department in the State.

(5) The Government may cancel the registration of any carrier, if it is found to indulge in violation of these rules on three occasions and debar its registration as such for future.

72 (B). Procedure for submission of application and grant of a mineral transport permit. (1) The owner of any carrier, holding a valid registration certificate from the Transport Department, and intending to use such carrier for transportation of mineral, shall submit his application in Form U to the officer authorized by the Director, alongwith the fees specified under the Schedule.

(2) After checking the particulars of the applicant and verifying the validity of documents issued by the Transport Department, the authorized officer shall issue a mineral transport permit in Form 'V' for such period as applied for. The mineral transport permits shall carry security features such as Quick Response code and shall be produced by the transporter to any authorized officer on demand.

72 (C) Procedure for submission of application and grant of earth moving machinery/ excavator certificate.- (1) All the wheel mounted/chain mounted excavators/ poclains involved in excavation of minor minerals in the State shall be required to register with the Department and be fitted with Global Positioning System to monitor their movement. No un-registered machinery shall be allowed to operate in any mineral concession area. This exercise shall be completed within the period of three months from the date of the notification of these rules.

(2) The owner of such excavator having valid registration certificate shall apply in Form 'W' to the officer authorized by the Director with requisite fees for registration specified in the Schedule.

(3) After checking the particulars of the applicant and verifying the validity of documents issued by the Transport Department, the authorized officer shall issue a Machinery Registration Certificate, in Form 'X'. The registration certificate shall carry security features such as Quick Response code and shall be produced by the owner to any authorized officer on demand. The registration shall be valid for the Financial Year and shall be got renewed annually.”

3. In the said rules, in rule 74 after sub- rule (1), the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:-

“(1A): If any person, other than an authorized Government officer, establishes any check post/Nakas, physical or otherwise, for checking slips, for transit passes, he shall be punishable under relevant sections of Act and Indian Penal Code 1860. The check post/ Nakas established by an authorized government officer, shall have representatives from the Mining Department/ Police Department/ District administration.

(1B): The authorized Government officer may seek presence of concerned concessioner or

his representative at the check post/ Nakas in case of any contradiction or if any clarification is required regarding slips/transit passes produced by the carriers.”

4. In the said rules, in rule 74 (A), at the end of existing provision, the following shall be added, namely:-
 “The stone crushers/ owners shall register stone crusher unit through online portal mode of the department. The fees of registration/renewal fees shall be paid online through department portal mode. The stone crushers/ owners shall be accountable for sources of minerals for crushing and shall satisfy the concerned Mining Officer while producing the details of source in monthly return in Form-C of Policy Guidelines dated 19th March 2015 or GST paid bills or through transit pass issued”.
5. In the said rules, after Form-T, the following forms shall be inserted, namely:-

FORM 'U'

[See rule 72 (L)]

Application for Mineral Transport Permit

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| 1. | Name and address of the owner |
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| 2. | Mobile No. of the owner |
| 3. | Type of vehicle |
| 4. | Registration Number of vehicle |
| 5. | Year of purchase of vehicle |
| 6. | Period for which Mineral Transport Permit is required |
| 7. | Fee paid (as per Schedule C of these rules) |
| 8. | Whether mineral is to be transported within the State or outside the State |
| 9. | Districts in which carrier proposes to operate |
| 10. | Any other information |
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Signature of the Applicant

Form 'V'

[See rule 72 (2)]

Mineral Transport Permit

No. Dated

It is certified that the vehicle no. (full registration number and type of the vehicle) owned by Shri (name with full address of the registered owner of the vehicle) is granted Mineral Transport Permit to transport mineral in the State of Punjab

A fee amounting to Rs./(Rs.) has been paid by the Mineral Transport Permit holder.

The permission shall be valid upto 31st March.....

Signatures of the issuing authority with seal

FORM 'W'**[See rule 72 (C)(2)]**

Application for Registration of Earth moving Machinery/Excavators

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| 1. | Name and address of the owner |
| 2. | Mobile No. of the owner |
| 3. | Type of Machinery (Make, capacity etc.) |
| 4. | Registration Number of excavator |
| 5. | Engine No. of excavator |
| 6. | Chasis No. of excavator |
| 7. | Year of purchase of excavator |
| 8. | Unique ID of GPS Device |
| 9. | Period for which Machinery Permit is required |
| 10. | Fee paid (as per Schedule C of these rules) |
| 11. | Districts in which machinery proposes to operate |
| 12. | Any other information |

Signatures of the Applicant

Form X**[See rule 72 (C) (3)]**

Earth Moving Machinery/Excavators Registration Certificate

No. Dated

It is certified that the machine (Type of Machine)..... Bearing Registration no/Chassis no. (Full registration number and type of the machine) owned by Shri (Name with full address of the registered owner of the machine) is registered with Mines & Geology wing of water resources dept.

A fee amounting to Rs./(Rs.) has been paid by the owner.

The registration shall be valid upto 31st March.....

Signatures of the issuing authority with seal

6. In the said rules, in the given Schedule, in sub-head 'C', after serial No. 12, the following shall be inserted, namely:

"13. Fees for issuance of transport permit

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| a) | Upto 7 days | Rs.500/- |
| b) | For three months | Rs.1000/- |
| c) | For one year | Rs.5000/- |

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| 14. | Fees for registration of excavator/Back hoe loaders for one year | Rs.5000/-" |
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Sd/-

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