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From

**The Engineer-in-Chief (Civil), Odisha**  
Nirman Soudh, Bhubaneswar

To.

**The Additional Secretary to Government,**  
Revenue & Disaster Management Department  
Odisha, Bhubaneswar

**Sub: Deduction of royalty and the cost of minor minerals by the Public Works Authority from the work bill of the executants who fails to produce transit pass and money receipt in support of payment of royalty.**

Ref:- Memo No.34572 dtd.07.11.2019 of Revenue & Disaster Management Department .

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the letter cited above, it is to furnish herewith the views in the matter as mentioned below.

The rates of minor minerals such as stone, metals, chips, sand and moorum etc have been derived from the rates obtained by the field Executive Engineers of this Department zone wise from the lease holders, crusher owners, suppliers etc. The rates provided in the Schedule of Rates for minor minerals includes the above basic rates at quarry/ crusher site along with other components such as quarrying, blasting operation (for large stone products requiring blasting for quarrying), transportation to crusher site, crushing operation, stacking operation and other ancillary expenses like maintenance of approach road to quarry site etc.

It is understood from the letter No.27076 dtd.10.09.2019 of Revenue & Disaster Management Department that the cost of minor mineral is the basic cost of that mineral before quarrying operation. Such rates are not available in the Schedule of Rates published by the Works Department as per the facts mentioned in above para.

So the instructions in the said letter to determine the cost of minor minerals from the Schedule of Rates of Works Department may not be feasible.

Besides, the crushed stone products are produced by crusher owners and attracts GST charges. As a plant product, it may not be feasible for issue of transit pass by the crusher owners to the contractors as the crusher owners would have purchased the stone boulders for crushing from the lease holders of stone quarry with payment of royalty.

Under the above circumstances, it may not be practicable to deduct cost of minor minerals from the contractors' bill in case the contractors (executants) fail to produce transit pass and money receipt in support of payment of royalty.

Yours faithfully,

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**ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA**

Memo No 47732 dtd 15.11.19

Copy submitted to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government in Works Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of information and necessary action with reference to letter No.34571 dtd.07.11.2019 of Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

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