Government of Odisha

Steel & Mines Department

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From

Sri Sangram Keshari Swain

Special Secretary to Government.

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All the Collectors &DM.

Sub: Clarification on collection of DMF,EMF in Minor Minerals.

Sir.

On the cited fiscal subject, I am directed to say that instances have come to the notice of the Government that DMF contribution is being collected basing on royalty + Additional charges in some districts. It is quite imperative to issue following clarification in this regard.

- 1)DMF contribution was introduced in MMDR (Amendment) Act,2015 inserting 9B in MMDR Act,1957.
- 2)Government of Odisha framed Odisha District Minerals Foundation Rules, 2015 as amended from tome to time.

Rule 9(2) of the said rules states:-

"All holders of the Minor Minerals leases shall, in addition to royalty, pay to the respective trust:-

- a. An amount equal to thirty per cent of the royalty, if the lease has not been granted through auction.
- b. Ten per centum of the royalty, if the lease has been granted through auction.



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This clearly indicates that DMF is to be charged basing on royalty amount only irrespective of additional charges.

- 3) Contribution to Environment Management Fund (EMF) shall be collected as an amount equal to five per centum of the royalty as per rule 49(2) of OMMC Rules, 2016.
- 4)Collection of DMF and EMF is to be made in addition to the royalty, additional charges, surface rent and dead rent as mandated of statutory provisions laid down under the Rule 32 of OMMC Rules, 2016.

Hence, it is ,therefore, requested to adhere to the above provisions scrupulously.

Yours faithfully, Special Secretary to Government Memo No. 5525 /SM, Date: 29.05.2023 Copy forwarded to all R.D.Cs for information and necessary action. Special Secretary to Government Memo No. 5526 /SM, Date: 29.05.2023 Copy forwarded to all Departments for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government Memo No. 5527 /SM, Date 29.05.2023 Copy forwarded to Director of Mines & Geology/Director of Minor Minerals for formation and appropriate follow up action equitably. information and appropriate follow up action equitably. Special Secretary to Governr Memo No. 5528 /SM, Date: 29.05-2023 Copy forwarded all sections of steel & Mines department for information and Special Secretary to Government necessary action.