



GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
MINES & MINERAL DEPARTMENT

Dated Lahore, the 06th January, 2023

NOTIFICATION

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NO.SOT(M&MD)8-15/1990(Vol-V): - In exercise of the powers conferred under section 2 of the Regulation of Mines and Oil-fields and Mineral Development (Government Control) Act, 1948 (XXIV of 1948), Governor of the Punjab is pleased to make the following amendments in the Punjab Mining Concession Rules, 2002, with immediate effect:

AMENDMENTS

In the Punjab Mining Concession Rules, 2002:

(1) After rule 3, the following shall be inserted:

"3-A. Technical Expert Committees.-

(1) The Secretary, by notification, may constitute Technical Expert Committees comprising of relevant professionals from the Department.

(2) The Committee shall:

- a. prepare and approve viable area for grant of Prospecting Licenses, Exploration Licenses or Mining Leases and fixation of their reserve prices for competitive bidding under Small-Scale Mining and Large-Scale Mining; and
- b. evaluate and recommend registration of Mine Surveyors and Mining Consultants."

(2) In rule 16, in sub-rule (1), in clause (a), after sub-clause (ii), the word "or" shall be inserted and thereafter following shall be inserted:

"iii. in case of partnership firm, its name and particulars of its incorporation and registration, the full names, address and nationalities of the partners or shareholders."

(3) In rule 24, in sub-rule (1), after clause (b), the following shall be inserted:

"bb. in the case of partnership firm, give such information as is referred to in rule 16 (1) a(iii);"

(4) In rule 47:

(a) for sub-rule (1), the following shall be substituted:

"(1) An application for the grant of a mining lease may be made by an individual, a partnership firm or a body corporate formed by or under a law for the time being in force in Pakistan."; and

(b) in sub-rule (2), for clause (a) and (b), the following shall be substituted:

- "a. in the case of an individual, give such information as is referred to in rule 16(1) a(i);
- b. in the case of a company, give such information as is referred to in rule 16(1) a(ii);
- bb. in the case of partnership firm, give such information as is referred to in rule 16 (1) a(iii);"

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(5) For rule 134, the following shall be substituted:

"134. Period of lease.-

- (1) The initial term of a lease shall not exceed ten years.
- (2) If a lessee has carried out all the working obligations under these rules and implemented the exploitation scheme to the satisfaction of the Licensing Authority and if he has paid all the dues on account of:
 - a. rents, royalty, penalties, damages and surface rent as required under these rules; and
 - b. bid money, in case of mining leases granted under rule 187, at the rates and manner prescribed by the Secretary on the basis of recommendation of Technical Expert Committee as is referred in Rule 3- A, the Licensing Authority may grant further renewal of the lease for a period not exceeding 10 years at a time, on such terms and in such form as it may determine:

Provided that the lessee shall apply to the Licensing Authority in writing, in the prescribed Form for renewal not more than one year and not less than six months before the expiry of the term already granted to him:

Provided further that the Licensing Authority may condone the delay in submission of the application in appropriate cases, upto a period of three months after imposing penalty under rule 177, and the Appellate Authority may condone the delay up to six months:

Provided further that a lessee having applied for the grant of renewal of the lease under these rules shall have a right to work in the area till the request has been accepted or refused:

Provided further that the Licensing Authority may renew the lease for the whole area or only a part thereof except lease granted under rule 187, if feasible."

(6) For rule 187, the following shall be substituted:

"187. Grant of mineral concessions through bidding.-

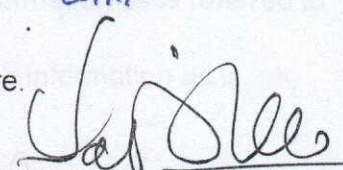
- (1) The minerals notified by the Secretary shall be granted as prospecting license and mining lease through competitive bidding or sealed tenders.
- (2) The terms and conditions of competitive bidding or sealed tenders under sub-rule (1) shall be notified by the Secretary.
- (3) The viable areas over the minerals notified under sub- rule (1) shall be prepared and approved by the Technical Expert Committees as is referred to in rule 3- A.
- (4) If an area under an expired, terminated or cancelled prospecting license or mining lease for a mineral other than notified under sub-rule (1) is to be re-granted, its viability shall be subject to the preparation and approval of Technical Expert Committee as is referred to in rule 3- A."

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3. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.
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