No.10F (Cons) 75/2020 F&E, Date 31.03.2020

From

Sri Debidutta Biswal, IFS
Special Secretary to Government

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Allowing Despatch of already excavated minerals by the old Lessees.

Sir,

You are aware that many mining leases which are expiring on 31.03.2020 as per the MMDR Act, 1957 have been put to auction. On expiry of the mining leases, no further excavation of minerals can be allowed. However the concerned lease holders are to be given the benefit of 12(1) (gg) of Minerals (Other than Atomic & Hydro Carbon Energy Minerals) concession Rules, 2016 as below;

“The lessee may, after paying the rents, rates and royalties payable under the Act and rules made thereunder or under the lease deed, at the expiry or sooner termination of the lease term or within six calendar months thereafter (unless the lease is terminated for default of the lessee, and in that case at any time not less than three calendar months nor more than six calendar months after such termination) take down and remove for its own benefit, all or any ore mineral excavated during the currency of the lease, engines, machinery, plant, buildings structures, tramways, railways and other works, erections and conveniences which may have been erected, set up or placed by the lessee in or upon the leased lands and which the lessee is not bound to deliver to the State Government or which the State Government does not desire to purchase”.

Accordingly removal of the Ore Minerals excavated prior to the expiry of the mining lease and lying in the lease hold area will be allowed as per the closing balance indicated under the statutory forms/return submitted/maintained in the online system.

Therefore, the old lessees may be allowed to despatch already excavated minerals for a period of six months beyond 31.03.2020 as par the provisions of Rule 12(1) (gg) of MC Rules, 2016

Yours faithfully,

Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 6756 /F&E, Date 31.03.2020
Copy forwarded to Steal & Mines Department for information and necessary action.

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Memo No. 6757 /F&E, Date 31.03.2020
Copy forwarded to the Director of Mines for information and necessary action with reference to his mail dated 31.03.2020.

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Memo No. 6758 /F&E, Date 31.03.2020
Copy forwarded to all Regional Chief Conservator of Forests for information and necessary action.

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Memo No. 6759 /F&E, Date 31.03.2020
Copy forwarded to all Divisional Forest Officers for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government