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### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

#### NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

AMENDMENTS TO THE TAMIL NADU MINOR MINERAL CONCESSION RULES, 1959.

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**No. SRO A-1(c)/2026.**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act 67 of 1957), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959, namely :-

#### AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules, in rule 12, in sub-rule (2-A), \_\_

(i) in clause (a), for the expression, “application fee of Rs.1,500/”, the expression “application fee of Rs.5,000/- and a refundable deposit for an amount equivalent to two times of the seigniorage fee to be paid for the quantum of mineral applied for as security deposit” shall be substituted;

(ii) in clause (e), the following expression shall be added at the end, namely;

“The District Collector shall immediately refund the security deposit paid by a person, if his application is rejected by him or the permission has been granted to some other person.”

(iii) for clause (h), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(h) In any event, if it is found that the permission-holder has removed in excess of the permitted quantity or if any other violation of the conditions of grant of permission is noticed, the District Collector shall cancel the permission after providing an opportunity of being heard and the difference in the seigniorage fee and the cost of the mineral to be paid by the permission holder for the quantity quarried and removed shall be recovered from him along with the cost of damages, if any, made to the tank, approach road, etc., depending upon the extent of damage caused to the tanks, from the security deposit. Any cost incurred for the restoration of the tank shall also be recovered from the security deposit:

Provided that if such difference exceeds the security deposit, the same shall be recovered from the permission holder under the Revenue Recovery Act, 1890 (Central Act I of 1890).”;

(iv) after clause (h) as so amended, the following clause shall be added namely:-

- “(i) On the expiry of the period of permission or exhaustion of the quantity permitted in the order granting permission, whichever is earlier, the Assistant Director of Geology and Mining concerned shall inspect the permitted area, verify the compliance of conditions of the grant of permission and if he is satisfied that all the conditions have been fully complied with by the permission holder, he shall send a report in this regard to the District Collector concerned. Upon receipt of such report, the District Collector shall refund the security deposit to the permission holder, by an order made, in writing.”.

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