13.8 Entrustment of Minor Minerals administration power to Local Bodies for collection of Seigniorage fee etc.,

DRD D.O. No. 4478/98/PCA-2, Dated 18.3.1998

Dear Thiru.

Sub: Mines and Quarries – Minor Minerals – Tamil Nadu Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 1959 - Entrusted of Minor Minerals Administration power to local bodies for collection of Seignior age fee etc., and administration of quarry leases in certain spheres relating to common use Minor minerals – Instructions – Issued.

Ref: 1) G.O. (Ms) No. 3, Industries (MMC.1) Department, dated 2.1.98 2) G.O. (Ms) No. 4, Industries (MMC.1) Department, dated 2.1.98 3) G.O. (Ms) No. 5, Industries (MMC.1) Department, dated 2.1.98 4) G.O. (Ms) No. 53, Industries (MMC.1) Department, dated 26.2.98

I invite your attention to the G.Os. cited.

- 2. Government in the G.O. $1^{\rm st}$ cited, have issued notifications by amending the relevant Rules of the Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral concession Rules, 1959 regarding entrustment of Minor Mineral Administration power to local bodies for Collection of Seigniorage fee etc and administration of quarry leases in certain spheres relating to common use Minor Minerals.
- 3. Government in the G.O. 2^{nd} cited, have issued amendments to the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act 1957 (Central Act 67 of 1957) by giving delegation of powers to Local Bodies for collection of seigniorage fee etc and administration of quarry leases in certain spheres relating to common use minor minerals.
- 4. In the G.O. 3rd cited, Government have issued detailed instructions to administer the Rules under the Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral concession Rules 1959 in respect of common use mineral by the local bodies.
- 5. In the G.O. 4^{th} cited, Government have issued amendment to the notification issued in the G.O. 1^{st} cited, that the date of effect of the notification is from 1^{st} April 1998 instead of 1^{st} March 1998.
- 6. I am enclosing the salient features of the instructions on the Administration of the Tamilnadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959 in respect of common use minor minerals by local bodies.
- 7. I request you to give detailed guidelines to all the Presidents of Village Panchayats of your district.
- 8. I also request you to give wide publicity through press on the entrustment of administration of the common use Minor Minerals to the Village Panchayats and explain the salient features and essentially maintenance of registers etc. by convening the meetings of all Presidents of Village Panchayat by the Development Officer (Panchayat) with the Asst. Director (Mines) of your district before 31.3.98.

Yours Sincerely K. ASHOK VARDHAN SHETTY

To

ALL COLLECTORS