GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
MINING & GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT
ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
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NOTIFICATION
The 29th January, 2018

No. MG. 49/2011/Pt-I/27- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act No. 67 of 1957), the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to make the following rules to amend the Meghalaya Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules):-

Short title and commencement 1. (1) These rules may be called the Meghalaya Minor Minerals Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2018.
(2) They shall come into force from the date of their notification in the Official Gazette.

Amendment of Rule 2. 2. In the Meghalaya Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules), in rule 2,- after clause (s), the following Clause (s) may be added-
"(t) "forest" as defined under the Meghalaya Forest Regulation (Amendment) Act, 2012.
(u) "incidental" in the context of extraction of minor minerals means such unintended extraction which arises out of non-mining activities such as construction of roads or other major infrastructural projects.

Amendment of Rule 4 3. (i) In Chapter II of Grant of Mining Lease & Quarry Permit – General, "rule 3" may be read as "**rule 4**".
(ii) In the aforesaid "**rule 4**" of the principal rules, Clause (b) of sub-rule 2 of the said "**rule 4**", the words "as identified by Forest and Environment Department according to its dictionary meaning" shall be deleted and substituted by the following words,-
"(b) falling within 'forest' as defined under the Meghalaya Forest Regulation Amendment Act, 2012 except after obtaining clearance under the Forest Conversation Act, 1980."

Amendment of Rule 39 4. In rule 39 of the principal rules, for the words appearing as "in consistent" may be substituted as "in conformity".

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