GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Recommendations of the Committee in connection with remittance of the Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT as per the Government notified rates by the Government Engineering Departments, Corporations, Local Bodies from time to time for the minor mineral quantities that are consumed in the public works, duly incorporating the payable charges in the estimates – Accepted - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.37

Dated:15.03.2024 Read the following:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.18, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept., Dt.13.01.2016.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.36, Ind. & Com.(M.II) Dept., Dt.14.03.2016.
- 3. G.O.Ms.No.11, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept, Dt.11.02.2020
- 4. G.O.Ms. No.42, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept., dt.07.06.2021.
- 5. From the Engineer-in-Chief (AW/IW), WRD, Lr.No.ENC/IW/ SE(P&M)/EE.I/DEE.2/AEE (NR)/6thBoCEs-2022/ Agenda 3-B, dt: 22.07.2022.
- 6. From the DM&G, AP, single e-file bearing C.No:1836095, dt:17.07.2023.
- 7. G.O.Rt.No.196, Ind. & Com.(M.III) Dept., dt:06.12.2023.
- 8. From the DM&G, AP, Lr.No:3171/MR-OD/2024, Date:07.03.2024 along with Minutes of Meeting of the Committee held on 22.02.2024.

ORDER:

In the letter 5th cited, the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department, has stated that the BoCEs Committee met on 29.12.2021 and recommended to the Government for according permission to add Consideration amount, DMF and MERIT amounts as applicable in addition to Seignorage Fee in the estimates for ongoing and new works etc.

- 2. In the G.O.7th read above, Government have issued orders constituting a committee with (1) the Director of Mines & Geology-Member Convenor, (2) EnC (Irrigation)-Member, (3) Director of Works Accounts-Member, (4) DFA & CEO, APCFSS-Member for formulating draft operational guidelines/Orders in respect of the recommendations of the 6th BoCEs, to add DMF, MERIT and Consideration amounts as applicable in addition to Seigniorage Fee in the estimates for ongoing and new works and recovering the same from contractors bill.
- 3. In the letter 8th read above, the Director of Mines and Geology, A.P., has stated that the said Committee met on 22.02.2024, and made the following recommendations:
 - 1. Agreed to adopt the realization of Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT for both ongoing and new works as follows:

a. Case A: Works under Departments of Govt of AP, sanctioned by Govt

Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT along with Seigniorage Fee may be provisioned in Part B of the estimate, added to bills and deduct the same and remit the Amount to Department of Mines & Geology for ongoing and new works in all the districts from 01-07-2023.

b. Case B: Works under Departments of Govt of AP, sanctioned under EAP (ADB, etc..)

Change in Law Clause as per 13.7 of the contract agreement shall be activated from 01-07-2023 and accordingly, adjust the contract price. The amounts (Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT) shall be remitted to Mines Dept.

c. Case C: National Highway Works, sanctioned by Govt of India

Change in Law as per Clause 19.17 of the contract agreement shall activated from 01-07-2023 and accordingly, adjust the contract price. The amounts (Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT) shall be remitted to Mines Dept.

- 2.The collection of Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT along with Seigniorage charges collected through "Seigniorage Fee and Consideration Amount Collection Contractors (SCC)" is done away with, in all the districts for Government works for Case A and Case B from the day of issuance of Government instructions.
- 3. In all the districts, where applicable amount (S.Fee, Consideration Amount ,DMF&MERIT) is collected from the Govt. work contractors either through Mines & Geology Dept. or through SCC Contractors after 01-07-2023, the amount shall be refunded to the respective Contractors on submission of original receipts to the Mines & Geology Department after confirming itself with the same.
- 4. A transparent online system may be developed in next 6 months to establish the source and quantity of minor minerals used for Govt Works without disturbing the existing system of remittance. Mines Department to study the working of 'YSR Nirman Portal' devised to procure Cement for Government works for guidance and finalize the structure of online system after obtaining the opinion of CEO, APCFSS.
- 4. The DM&G, AP., has, therefore, recommended the Government to consider the recommendations of the Committee and issue necessary orders that all the Government Engineering Departments, Corporations, Local Bodies shall remit the Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT as per the Government notified rates from time to time for the minor mineral quantities that are consumed in the public works, duly incorporating the payable charges in the estimates;

P.T.O.

- 5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby approve the recommendations of the Committee at para (3) above and order that all the Government Engineering Departments, Corporations, Local Bodies shall remit the Seigniorage Fee, Consideration Amount, DMF & MERIT as per the said recommendations with the Government notified rates from time to time for the minor mineral quantities that are consumed in the public works, duly incorporating the payable charges in the estimates.
- 6. The concerned Departments/ Officers mentioned in the address entry shall take necessary action accordingly in the matter, duly ensuring that necessary steps are taken to avoid revenue leakages in the process relating to collection of the fees.
- 7. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No. FIN01-FMU0MRAS(WR2)/115/2022-FMU-WR-II., Dated:05.10.2023.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(MINES)

To

The Director of Mines & Geology, Ibrahimpatnam, NTR District.

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The Water Resources Department, AP Secretariat.

The TR&B Department, AP Secretariat.

The PR&RD Department, AP Secretariat.

The Director of Public Health, Gollapudi.

All Corporations in the State.

The Regional Office, NHAI, Vijayawada.

The Regional Office, Ministry of Roads, Transport & Highways, Vijayawada.

The Finance (FMU-WR.II) Department, AP Secretariat.

The OSD to Minister (M&G).

The PS to Spl., CS(Mines).

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER