

NOTICE

Subject: - Stakeholders consultation for amendment in Mineral Concessions Rules, 1960 and Notification GSR 349(E) dated 10.05.2012- reg

Central Government has taken various initiatives for ease of doing business by shifting from regulatory/ restrictive regime to market driven regime, making it more industry friendly and as per the current market practice. This has facilitated in bringing in transparency and elimination of delays in taking administrative decisions. All of the initiatives are taken keeping in mind the revenue generation for the coal producing states.

2. Commensurate to this, the Ministry of Coal is proposing to amend:

The notification GSR 349 (E) dated 10.05.2012 regarding rate of charging of royalty and corresponding Rule 64 B, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.

As per the proposal, for coal, the rate of royalty shall be charged on basic pithead price of run of mine coal irrespective of its processing within or outside leasehold area. However, an exception is created for *ROM coal sold through e- auction by Coal India Limited, or its subsidiaries or by Singareni Collieries Company Limited* for which the royalty shall be charged on the price of coal as reflected in the invoice. This shall facilitate in achieving the object for charging royalty on run of mine coal keeping in view the interest of coal bearing states.

3. Accordingly, Ministry of Coal has prepared draft notification amending Notification dated 10.05.2012 and Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules 2023 seeking to amend the MCR, 1960.

4. In this connection, comments of stakeholders and coal bearing State Governments are invited to the proposed amendment in draft notification (**Annexure 1**) and MCR (**Annexure 2**) on email id rishan.r75@nic.in by 30 days i.e. 30.06.2023.

Encl: as above


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3. PPS to Secretary (Coal)
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5. JS (BPP)/ JS (SKK)
6. Economic Advisor/ Advisor (Projects)
7. All directors/ DS/ US/ SO
8. Chief Secretaries of all coal bearing states and UTs
9. Sr. T.D., NIC for uploading on the website of MoC.

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MINISTRY OF COAL

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the June 2023

G.S.R. (E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section(3) of section 9 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957), the Central Government hereby makes the following further amendment in the Second Schedule of the said Act, namely:—

(2) In the Second Schedule of the said Act, in item 10 in sub-entry (1) of entry A, —

(i) for the words and symbol “shall be @ 14% ad- valorem on price of coal, as reflected in the invoice” the following words and symbols shall be substituted “shall be @14% ad valorem on the basic pithead price of Run of Mine (RoM) coal, as notified by Coal India Limited, or its subsidiaries or by Singareni Collieries Company Limited, as applicable to the mines under their respective ownership, management or control excluding taxes, levies and other charges”.

ii) The following proviso shall be inserted before proviso namely:—

“Provided that the royalty on ROM coal sold through e- auction by Coal India Limited, or its subsidiaries or by Singareni Collieries Company Limited shall be 14% ad- valorem on price of coal, as reflected in the invoice, excluding taxes, levies and other charges”.”

iii) In the proviso, after the word ‘provided’, the word ‘further’ shall be inserted.

[File No.12012/2/2021-PS1]

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Note:- The Second Schedule to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957), was first amended *vide* G.S.R 175(E), dated the 31st March, 1975 and lastly amended *vide* G.S.R. 445(E), dated the 14th July 2020.

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Ministry of Coal

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the June 2023.

GSR(E).— In exercise of powers conferred by Section 13 of the Mines and Minerals Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, namely:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) These rules may be called the Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in Gazette of India.

2. In the principal rules, in Rule 64B,

(i) The following proviso shall be inserted before the first proviso namely:—

“Provided that for Run of Mine (ROM) coal sold through e- auction by Coal India Limited, or its subsidiaries or by Singareni Collieries Company Limited, royalty shall be charged on price of coal as reflected in the invoice.”.

(ii) In the first proviso, after the word ‘provided’, the word ‘further’ shall be inserted.

(iii) In the second proviso, the word ‘first’ shall be substituted by ‘second’.

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Note:- The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i) vide number G.S.R. 1398, dated the 23th November, 1960 and lastly amended vide number G.S.R 684(E) dated the 7th September 2022.