

Government of Odisha Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

No. MM(Meeting)-25/13- 2023 /RDM. Dt. 28-5-13

From:

Dr. Taradatt.

Principal Secretary to Government.

To

All Collectors.

Sub:- Settlement of Sairat sources (Minor Minerals) for an area of less than 05 hectares for the year 2013-14.

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to the above cited subject and to say that letters indicating difficulties in settlement of Sairat sources (minor Minerals) for the financial year 2013-14 have been received by the Department from various quarters. As reported, difficulties are being faced by the field level revenue functionaries, namely, Tahasildars / Sub Collectors in implementation of the guidelines issued by Forest and Environment Department and that of Revenue and D.M Department for disposal of Sairat sources after obtaining environmental clearance based on the order of the Supreme Court of India dated 27.02.2012 in SLP (C) No. 19628-19629 of 2009 in the matter of Deepak Kumar etc. Vrs. State of Haryana and Others.

The above matter has been reviewed by the Government twice on 17.05.13 and 21.05.2013 and the pace of disposal of applications for according environmental clearance by the competent authorities i.e. SEIAA and SEAC to Sairat sources of less than 5 hectares each has been considered as a matter of concern. It is ascertained that because of procedural delays which is inevitable in obtaining environment clearance, a very meagre number of sairat sources i.e., roughly 5-10% of the total sairat sources (Minor Minerals) of the State have been settled till now.

Considering the key and critical role by infrastructure development projects, particularly roads, buildings, irrigation projects etc. and in development of other backward and forward linkages, it has been decided that the district administration should extend all support for smooth and time bound execution of such projects.

To avoid delay in processing lease / renewal of lease proposals, Tahsildar should grant quarry permits as per provisions under OMMC Rules 30 – 34 to the executing agencies keeping in view the quantity of minor minerals specified in Schedule-3 of the OMMC Rules, 2004 and the requirement of executing agencies duly certified by Executive Engineers/Assistant Engineers of various government departments. Permit should be granted within 3 days of receipt of publication with relevant papers.

The above instructions will be followed with immediate effect. Further, it is requested to closely monitor the settlement of sairat sources in pursuance of the provisions of OMMC Rules, 2004. Fortnightly report indicating the disposal of these sources may be reported to this Department.

Yours faithfully,

Principal Secretary to Government. Memo No 20239 /RDM. Dt. 28-5-13 Copy forwarded to Secretary, Board of Revenue, Odisha, Cuttack / All RDCs for information and necessary action. Muis 28/05/13 Joint Secretary to Government. Memo No 2023/0 /RDM, Dt. 28-5-13 Copy forwarded to all Sub-Collectors / All Tahasildars for information and necessary action. Mais 28/05/13_ Joint Secretary to Government. Memo No 2024/ Dt. 28-5-12 /RDM. Copy forwarded to Forest & Environment Department / Steel & Mines

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Joint Secretary to Government.

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