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Memo. No. 303-IRC Dated 19.05.2023
IW-16099/5/2023-SECTION(IW)-Dept. of IW-I/397277/2023
(Comp.No.E-719884)

From : **Biplab Mukhopadhyay**
Joint Secretary (Works) to the
Govt. of West Bengal

- To :
- 1) **The Chief Engineer (North)**
I&W Directorate,
Green Park, Malda, P.O-Mokdumpur, P.S-English Bazar
Dist-Malda-732103
 - 2) **The Chief Engineer (West)**
I&W Directorate,
Kanainatsal, Bardhaman, P.O-Sripally, P.S-Bardhaman Sadar
Dist-Purba Bardhaman-713103
 - 3) **The Chief Engineer (South)**
I&W Directorate,
1st Floor, Jalasampad Bhawan
Salt Lake, Kolkata-700091
 - 4) **The Chief Engineer (Teesta Barrage Project)**
I&W Directorate,
Teesta Sech Bhawan, 2nd Mile, Sevoke Road, Siliguri
Dist-Darjeeling-734001
 - 5) **The Chief Engineer (North-East)**
I&W Directorate,
Jalpath Bhawan, Club Road, P.O-Jalpaiguri
Dist-Jalpaiguri-735101
 - 6) **The Chief Engineer (South-West)**
I&W Directorate,
Khusjungle, P.O-Abas, P.S-Midnapore, Kotwali
Dist-Paschim Midnapore-721102

Sub :- **Non-availability of boulders from the quarry sites within forest area of Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri district.**

Ref. :- **Memo No-MDTC/SAND/011/1209, dated 12.05.2023 of the office of West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd.(WBMDTCL) (Copy enclosed).**

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It was informed by the Chief Engineer (N-E), I&W Dte vide his memo no.-351 dated 24.04.2023 that the progress of ongoing anti erosion works in Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri is affected due to non availability of 20-30 kg boulders from WBMTDCL controlled Boulder quarry sites within nearby forest areas.


The matter was brought to the notice of WBMTDCL vide this department's Memo No.-289-IRC dated 04.05.2023 (copy enclosed) requesting immediate streamlining of the lease granting process from the quarry sites within forest areas.

In response to the department letter no.289-IRC,dated 04.05.2023,the WBMDTCL has informed the I&W Department, that they do not operate any boulder quarry site in North Bengal for the intended size of 20-30 kg of boulders.

Moreover, the WBMDTCL has provided a copy of the SOP issued by the Forest Department vide their notification no.- 312-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014 dated 23.02.2023, regarding the process to be followed for lifting of boulders from the rivers located in forest zones and obtaining permission from the Government departments and district administrations for public works by different Government Departments and organizations.

The Forest Department in their notification no.312-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014,dated 23.02.2023(copy enclosed) has clearly stated that the State Government has now decided to bring the transport of boulders/sand/river bed materials originating from forest areas, including Protected Areas in North Bengal under the ambit of the e-Challan system of WBMDTCL without disturbing the system already in force under the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules'2019 & the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of I.A.No.740 of 2002 in Writ Petition(Civil)No.202 of 1995.

The undersigned is directed to request him/her to issue necessary directions to the field level officials to contact the local forest officials for getting the permission from the Forest Department for lifting of boulders/sand/river bed materials from the forest zones including the protected areas.


(Biplab Mukhopadhyay)
Joint Secretary (Works)
Irrigation & Waterways Department
Govt. of West Bengal

Memo. No.

303/1(1)-IRC


Dated 19.05.2023

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Copy forwarded for information to:-

1. **The Executive Director**
WBMDTCL
WBIIDC Building, 3rd Floor
DJ-10, Sector-II, Salt Lake
Kolkata-700091

This is in reference to the memo no.MDTC/SAND/011/1209,dated 12.05.2023


(Biplab Mukhopadhyay)
Joint Secretary (Works)
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Memo No.: MDTC/ SAND/011/1209

Date: 12.05.2023

To,
The Joint Secretary(Works) to the Government of West Bengal
Irrigation & Waterways Department
Jalasampad Bhawan

Sub: Non availability of boulders

Ref : Your letter dt 04.05.23 vide Memo No. 289-IRC

Sir,

This is to bring to your kind attention that WBMDTCL has been appointed as the state nodal agency for sand mining as per the New Sand Mining Policy 2021 and accordingly is undertaking sand mining operations in the state . Auctions for sand mining sites are being undertaken periodically as per the NOC received from the districts and a list of the same is available in public domain on our website . The office of the undersigned is in receipt of a letter received from your good office regarding unavailability of boulders of 20-30kg at the WBMDTCL controlled quarry site . (copy enclosed)

It is in this regard that I am directed to inform you that we do not operate any boulder quarry site in North Bengal for the intended size of 20-30kg. This is also to bring to your kind attention that Forest Department has issued an SOP regarding lifting of boulders from the rivers located in forest zones and the permission is being granted for public works (copy enclosed) .You are thus requested to issue necessary directions to the field level officials to contact the local forest officials for such permission . Once the permission is received from forest department , the office of the undersigned maybe informed in order to create the online login ID in the portal in order to ensure smooth movement of the materials and for any further assistance in this regard .

Thanking you.


Executive Director, WBMDTCL

Memo No. MDTC/SAND/011/1209/1 (3)

Date : 12.05.23

Copy forwarded for kind information to :

1. Secretary , Industry Commerce and Enterprises Department
2. Secretary , Irrigation & Waterways Department
3. CA to CMD, WBMDTCL


Executive Director, WBMDTCL

**Government of West Bengal
Department of Forests**

Aranya Bhawan, LA-10A, Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700106

No. 312-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014

Dated: 23.02.2023

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the State Government has started an online portal (<https://mdtcl.wb.gov.in>) in the West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd. (WBMDTCL) under the Department of Industries, Commerce & Enterprises, Government of West Bengal for *inter alia*, issuing e-Challan for transport of minor minerals including boulders, sand & river materials in the State;

And whereas transport of boulders, sand & river materials originating from the forest areas including Protected Areas in North Bengal is governed by the provisions of the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2019 & the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of I.A. No. 740 of 2002 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202 of 1995;

And whereas for effecting better transparency, ease of doing business and to plug any scope of leakage of revenue, it is desirable to have a single, uniform e-Challan for the transport of minor minerals in the State, the State Government has now decided to bring the transport of such boulders/ sand/ river bed materials originating from forests areas, including Protected Areas in North Bengal under the ambit of the e-Challan system of WBMDTCL without disturbing the system already in force under the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2019 & the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of I.A. No. 740 of 2002 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202 of 1995.

Now, therefore, the Governor is pleased to order that all allottees of boulders, sand, river bed materials originating from any forest area including Protected Areas in North Bengal will require to generate e-Challan through the portal of WBMDTCL for transport of such forest produce (in addition to the Transit Pass issued by the Forest Department under the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2019).

The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for streamlining the process is enclosed.

This Order will have immediate effect.

By order of the Governor,



Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

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No. 312/1(3)-For

Dated: 23.02.2023

Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:-

1. Principal Secretary, Department of Industries, Commerce & Enterprises.
2. Managing Director, WB Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd.
3. General Manager, Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd.

23/02/2023
Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

No. 312/2(78)-For

Dated: 23.02.2023

Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:-

1. District Magistrate, _____ (all)
2. Police Commission, _____ Commissionerate (all)
3. Superintendent of Police _____ (all)
4. Addl District Magistrate & DL & LRO, _____ (all)

23/02/2023
Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

No. 312/3(9)-For

Dated: 23.02.2023

Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:-

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), WB
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and CWLW, WB
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, RMD, WB
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, WB
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, WBCAMPA.
6. Managing Director, WB Forest Development Corporation Ltd., WB
7. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, North Bengal, WB
8. Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (North) Circle. WB
9. Field Director & CCF, Buxa Tiger Reserve, WB

23/02/2023
Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

No. 312/4(2)-For

Dated: 23.02.2023

Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:-

1. P.S. to the Hon'ble MIC, Forests
2. P.S. to the Hon'ble MoS, Forests.

23/02/2023
Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

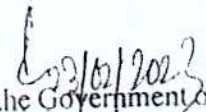
Enclosure to Notification No. 312-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014 dated-23.02.2023 of Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal.

Standard Operating Procedure

The State Government has decided that for transportation of minor mineral, viz., boulders, sand, river bed materials originating from any forest area including the Protected Areas in North Bengal, allottee will also require to obtain/ produce e-Challan generated through the portal of West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited WBMDTCL for transport of such forest produces in addition to the Transit Pass issued by the Forest Department under the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2019.

For streamlining the system, the following SOP is prescribed for the Field Officers of the Forest Directorate:

1. The existing system of issuance of allotment order for boulders/ sand/ river bed materials to the Government Departments / Government Agencies for Government works by the Forest Officers concerned and collection of all applicable receipts/ fees and issuance of transit pass required under the provisions of the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2019 for transport of boulders, sand & river materials originated from forest areas including the Protected Areas in North Bengal, shall continue to be followed.
2. On the Allotment Order issued by the Forest Officer concerned, it shall be mentioned that for transport of the material/ produce the allottee **SHALL** require to obtain/ produce e-Challan generated through the online portal of WBMDTCL (<https://mdtcl.wb.gov.in>) .
3. The Forest Officer concerned will mandatorily mark copies of the Allotment Orders of such boulder/ sand/ river bed materials issued to the different Government Departments / Government Agencies to the
 - i) District Magistrate & Collector and
 - ii) Additional District Magistrate and DL&LRO of the district(s) concerned
 - iii) General Manager, WBMDTCL
4. The Allottee shall prepare a data spread sheet (format enclosed) and submit it to the Additional District Magistrate and DL&LRO of the district concerned for creation of ID in the portal for generation of QR-Coded e-Challan as mandated to be carried out, in addition to the Transit Pass issued by the Forest Department.


Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

Enclosure to Notification No. 312-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014 dated-23.02.2023 of Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal

Data Spread Sheet Format for creation of ID in the portal for generation of QR-Coded e-Challan

Entry/Update Minor Mineral Stocks

Sl. No.	District	Subdivision	Block	G.P.	Police Station	Mouza Name(s)	JL No(s)	Plot No(s)	Minor Mineral Name	Material Quantity (in C.Ft.)	Remarks (if Any)	Permission Holder Details								
												Permission Holder Category (Company/ Individual)	Permission Holder Name	Complete Address	Pin Code	Registered mobile number	e-Mail ID	PAN	GSTN	Aadhar in case of individual

Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal
23/02/2023



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Memo. No.

289-IRC

Dated, 04.05.2023

IW-16099/5/2023-SEC(IW)-Dept. of IW-I/391999/2023

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From : **Biplab Mukhopadhyay**
Joint Secretary (Works) to the
Govt. of West Bengal

To : **The Chairman & Managing Director,**
West Bengal Mineral Development &
Trading Corporation Limited (WBMDTCL)
WBIDC Building, DJ-10, DJ Block, Sector-II, Bidhannagar
Kolkata-700091

Sub :- **Non-availability of boulders for execution of anti-erosion works in the districts of Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling.**

Ref. :- **Memo No-351, dt.24.04.23 of the Chief Engineer(North-East), I & W Directorate enclosing the Memo No-347/41-R, dt.19.04.23 of the Superintending Engineer, North-East Irrigation Circle-II (Copy enclosed).**

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above memos under reference, I am directed to inform that 13(thirteen) important anti-erosion works are to be carried out before the onset of Monsoon-2023 in the districts of Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling for which around 1,05,000cum boulder is required.


It is understood from the endorsed memos that such 20-30kg boulders are not presently available at the leased quarry sites of WBMDTCL which has led to delay in physical progress.

I am therefore, directed to request you to take up appropriate measure to ensure the availability of 20-30kg boulders at the WBMDTCL controlled quarry sites, particularly, those of the rivers like Diana, Gathia, Chel, Jaldhaka, Neora in Jalpaiguri district and river Dudhia in Darjeeling district, so that the same may be procured by the concerned contractors.

Thanking you,

Encl. : As stated.

Yours faithfully,


(Biplab Mukhopadhyay)
Joint Secretary (Works)
Irrigation & Waterways Department
Govt. of West Bengal

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Memo. No.

289/1(3)-IRC


Dated, 04.05.2023

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Copy forwarded for information to:-

1. **The District Magistrate, Jalpaiguri,**
Collectorate Building,
Office of the District Magistrate, Jalpaiguri
West Bengal 735101.
2. **The District Magistrate, Darjeeling,**
Chauk Bazaar, Darjeeling,
West Bengal 734101.
3. **Chief Engineer (North-East),**
Irrigation & Waterways Directorate,
Jalpath Bhawan, Club Road, P.O.- Jalpaiguri,
Dist.- Jalpaiguri, Pin - 735101.


(Biplab Mukhopadhyay)
Joint Secretary (Works)
Irrigation & Waterways Department
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