

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Free Sand Policy, 2016 – Review on implementation of Free Sand Policy -
Constitution of District Level Committee - Orders – Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.II) DEPARTMENT
G.O.MS.No. 104 Dated: 26-07-2017
Read the following:

1. Govt. Memo.No.3066/M.II(1)/2016-3, Dt:04.03.2016.
2. Govt. Memo.No.3066/M.II(1)/2016-4, Dt:10.03.2016.
3. Govt. Memo.No.3066/M.II(1)/2016-7, Dt:22.03.2016.
4. G.O.Ms.No.42, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept., Dt:29.03.2016.
5. G.O.Ms.No.43, Ind. & Com. (M.II) Dept., Dt:06.04.2016.

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ORDER:

Whereas the Government, vide reference 1st read above, have decided to make sand available to the public without charging any fee from 02.03.2016. Instructions were also issued to deal with the matters relating to illegal excavation and transportation of sand vide reference 4th read above.

2. The Government, on 18.07.2017, reviewed the status of Sand Quarrying in the State. It has come to the notice of the Government that sand is being sold at higher prices and still there are pilferage of sand to the other States. This activities needs to be curbed and new reaches have to be opened to ensure availability of sand to the public in the State.

3. The Government, for effective implementation of the policy, is hereby decided that:

(a) District Level Committee shall be constituted in all the Districts with the following Members , to fix the reasonable price for sand per unit and notify it to the public:

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| i. | District Collector | - | Chairman |
| ii. | Superintendent of Police (SP) | - | Member |
| iii. | District Transport Commissioner (DTC) | - | Member |
| iv. | River Conservator/Executive Engineer of
Water Resource Department | - | Member |
| v. | Assistant Director of Mines and Geology | - | Member-Convener |

(b) The Price for the sand shall be decided by the District Level Committee on the following parameters:

- i. Excavation, Loading and Unloading Charges
- ii. Ramp maintenance charges
- iii. Transportation Charges based on distance.

(c) The District Level Committee shall meet every month on pre-defined date to review the implementation of the prices and submit minutes of the meeting to the Secretary (Mines) without fail.

4. The District Collectors shall take necessary steps:

(a) To constitute a Price monitoring Task Force at mandal level with the officials of Revenue, Police and Panchayath Raj Departments to implement the notified prices and the violators of the notified prices shall be punished in accordance with sub-rule 4 of rule 9 (B) of APMMC Rules 1966 as per G.O.Ms No. 42, Industries & Commerce (M-II) Department, dt.29.03.2016.

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(b) To ensure proper availability of sand in the District, the following activities shall be taken up on regular basis:

- i. Identify new reaches and obtain statutory clearances such as EC, CFE from competent authorities
- ii. Sanction as many permissions for de-casting of sand from patta lands
- iii. Identify areas for de-siltation purpose

(c) To establish border check-posts and strengthen the existing boarder check-posts with the officials of Police, Revenue and Transport Departments in the routes to other States, in consultation with Superintendent of Police, to curb illegal transportation of sand to other States.

5. The above District Level Committee will have complete freedom to devise or formulate their own guidelines which are suitable to the District and to ensure the implementation of free Sand Policy.

6. The Director of Mines and Geology, GoAP., Ibrahimpatnam / District Collectors shall take necessary action in the matter immediately.

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

B. SREEDHAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES)

To

The Director of Mines & Geology, GoA.P., Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada.

All the District Collectors in the State of A.P.

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The Prl. Secy. to Govt., Home Dept.

The Prl. Secy. to Govt., Revenue Dept

The Prl. Secy. to Govt., Water Resources Dept.

The Prl. Secy. to Govt., TR&B Dept.

The Prl. Secy. to Govt., PR&RD Dept.

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Vijayawada.

The Director General of Police, A.P., Vijayawada.

The Commissioner, Transport Dept., A.P., Vijayawada.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Dept., A.P., Vijayawada.

The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.

The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister (Mines & Geology).

The P.S. to Prl. Secy. to C.M.

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