

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Mines & Minerals – The District Mineral Foundation Trust Rules, 2016  
– Amendments to Rule 2, 6, 9, 14, 17 and 30 – Notification – Orders -  
Issued.

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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (MINES-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 55

Dated: 09-03-2026

Read the following:

1. G.O. Ms. No. 36, Ind & Com (Mines-II), dated 14.03.2016
2. G.O. Ms. No. 46, Ind & Com (Mines-II), dated 06.04.2016
3. G.O. Ms. No. 1, Ind & Com (Mines-II), dated 03.01.2017
4. G.O. Ms. No. 73, Ind & Com (Mines-II), dated 02.11.2021
5. G.O. Ms. No. 145, Ind & Com (Mines-II), dated 06.08.2025
6. From the Collector & District Magistrate Prakasam District vide Lr.No:760/DMF/2025, Dated:24.11.2025.
7. From the Director of Mines & Geology, AP, single e-file bearing Comp No.3103292, dt.13.01.2026.

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ORDER

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited above, Government of Andhra Pradesh issued rules for the establishment of District Mineral Foundation Trusts, the manner of working and receipt of contributions thereto, all mineral bearing districts for the interest and benefit of persons and areas affected from the mining related operations and for purposes connected therewith.

2. In the references 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> read above, the Government have issued various amendments to further strengthen the governance of District Mineral Foundation Trusts and implement the orders of the Ministry of Mines, Government of India. In the reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, the Government have issued comprehensive amendments to the District Mineral Foundation Rules, 2016, incorporating the revised PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 into the rules.

3. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> cited above, the Collector & District Magistrate, Prakasam District and Chairman DMF trust has requested the Government

to examine the suggestion of release of part payments for the infrastructure development works undertaken through DMF Funds for faster implementation of the works and may issue the relevant orders.

4. The Director of Mines & Geology (FAC), A.P., in the reference e-file 7<sup>th</sup> read above, specifying the powers under sub-rule (iii) of Rule 29 of AP DMF Rules that the State Government may, by an order, relax the operation of any of the provisions of these rules as may be specified therein if, in the opinion of the Government, such relaxation is in the public interest and recommended to implement the suggestion. Further DMG also proposed few additional amendments to AP DMF Rules in line with revised PMKKKY Guidelines.

5. The Government after careful examination of the proposals of the Director of Mines & Geology, A.P. (FAC) vide e-file 7<sup>th</sup> read above, have decided to amend Rule 2, 6, 9, 14, 17 and 30 of AP DMF Rules, 2016.

6. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in an Extra Ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, Dt:09.03.2026.

#### NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (4) of Sections 15, 15A and 21 read with Section 9B of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act 67 of 1957), as amended from time to time, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh District Mineral Foundation Trust Rules, 2016 issued in G.O.Ms.No.36, Industries & Commerce (M.II) Department, 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 as subsequently amended:

#### AMENDMENTS

In the said Rules

- I. In Rule 2, under clause (c), after sub-clause (v), the following shall be added, namely;-

“(vi)The DMF shall prepare and maintain an updated list of such affected person(s)/local communities. The list shall be revisited for updation at least once every 5 years”.

II. After Rule 6, the following shall be inserted, namely;-

*"6-A Five years perspective planning and yearly plan:*

*For complete coverage of all affected people and areas in a systematic and time-bound manner, long-term planning is essential. For proper utilization of funds for the implementation of works using District Mineral Foundation (DMF) funds:*

- i. *The Districts shall conduct a baseline survey through Academic Institutions /Renowned organizations/ agencies for perspective plan formulation. Gram Sabha/Local Bodies may aid in preparation of need assessment reports. The DMF may also use the baseline survey undertaken by any Department, if available. The reference and major findings of the surveys should be included in the Perspective Plans under PMKKKY for the District.*
- ii. *Based on the findings and gaps as identified through the baseline survey or any such survey/assessment, the DMF shall prepare a strategy for five years and the same shall be included in the Perspective Plan. The five-year Perspective Plan shall be prepared taking into account current balance available and likely accrual to the DMF over a period of five years. The five-year Perspective Plan shall be disaggregated into year-wise action plans.*
- iii. *The five-year Perspective Plan shall have separate sections on all priority sectors like drinking water, health, education, welfare of women and children, etc. and other sectors like roads, irrigation etc.*
- iv. *The five-year Perspective Plan shall be approved by the Governing Council of the DMF and displayed on the website of the DMF.*
- v. *The Annual Plans of the DMF to be approved by Governing Council each year shall be based upon the five-year perspective plan and success achieved in fulfilling its targets in earlier years. The Annual Plans may include some other works and expenditures considered urgent in nature although not included in the perspective plan to a maximum extent of 10% of the annual plan.*
- vi. *The State Government may empanel renowned organizations/ agencies/ universities for conducting the baseline surveys and preparing five-year perspective plans.*
- vii. *The Governing Council shall approve the five-year perspective plan and annual plan comprising of list of projects to be taken up in financial years."*

III. In Rule 9,

1. for sub-rule (e), the following shall be substituted namely;-

*"(e) Notwithstanding anything in these Rules, DMF Funds shall be released to user agency/ department by District Collector only after execution of works by the user agency/department in instalments, and District Collector shall call for Expenditure Statements and Utilization Certificates from such user departments.*

*Based on the approved project cost, DMF funds shall be released to the department/agency concerned in four instalments of 30%, 30%, 30% and 10% of the project cost only after commencement of work and upon submission of expenditure statements and utilization certificates in 4 different phases of Phase 1 – after 25% of work completed, Phase 2 – after 50% of work completed, Phase 3 – after 75% of work completed, Phase 4 – after 100% of work completed"*

2. after sub-rule (g), the following shall be added, namely:

*"(h) A minimum of 70% of the DMF funds shall be spent only in the directly affected area as specified in sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of Rule (2) of these rules."*

- IV. In Rule 14, after sub-rule (b), the following sub-rule shall be added, namely:

*"(c) Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to create awareness regarding schemes implemented under PMKKKY through social media, films, and videos"*

- V. In Rule 17, after sub-rule (b), the following sub-rule shall be added, namely:

*"(c) Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to create awareness regarding schemes implemented under PMKKKY through social media, films, and videos"*

- VI. In Rule 30, after sub-rule (d), the following sub-rule shall be added, namely:

**"(e) Convergence of schemes:**

*The developmental and welfare activities to be taken up under the PMKKKY should be, as far as possible, in complementing the ongoing schemes/projects being funded by the State as well as Central Government. Activities meant to be taken up under the 'polluter pays principle' should not be taken up under the PMKKKY.*

*However, without prejudice to the powers of the Foundation, efforts shall be made to achieve convergence with the State and the District Plans so that the activities taken up by the Foundation supplement the development and welfare activities and are treated as extra-budgetary resources for the State Plan. The DMFs shall focus on convergence with ongoing central and state schemes for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in mining affected areas. While formulating schemes, DMFs will give priority to achieving targets under Aspirational Districts Programme and Aspirational Blocks Programme,"*

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

MUKESH KUMAR MEENA  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES)(FAC)

To

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationary & Stores Purchase, Vijayawada, A.P., (He is requested to publish the above Notification in the Extra Ordinary issue of A.P. Gazette, with immediate effect and arrange to send 500 copies of the same to Government in Industries & Commerce(M.II) Department).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Ibrahimpatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

All District Collectors in the State.

(Through the Director of Mines & Geology)

All Joint Collectors in the in the State.

(Through the Director of Mines & Geology)

All the Addl./Joint/ Deputy/ Asst. Directors of Mines & Geology. (Through the Director of Mines & Geology)

All Departments of A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.

The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj, Tadepalli.

The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Mangalagiri.  
The Commissioner of Industries.  
The Commissioner Higher Education and Secondary Education  
Department.  
The Commissioner Agriculture Department.  
The Commissioner Tribal Welfare Department,  
The Engineers-in-Chief Irrigation, R&B and Panchayat Raj Departments.  
The Chief Executive Officer, SERP.  
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