

Transfer of revenue realised
on account of royalty on minor
minerals to village panchayats
and 'C' class Municipalities
by way of grant in aid.

Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forests Department,
Mantralaya, Bombay 400 032.
Resolution No. MMR. 1081/1334-G. 7,
Dated : 16th January 1985.

Resolution :

With a view to raising the financial resources of the village panchayats and 'C' Class Municipal Councils, Government has had under consideration for some time past the question as to whether the amount of royalty recovered on minor minerals in their respective jurisdiction should be passed on to the Village Panchayats and 'C' Class Municipal Councils. After due consideration, Government has now decided that out of the total revenues realised on account of royalty on minor minerals within the jurisdiction of each Village Panchayat and a 'C' Class Municipal Council, financial assistance by way of grant-in-aid should be made available to these local bodies. The extent to which this financial assistance should be given would be equal to the revenue realised or Rs. One lakh, whichever is less, i.e., if the revenue on account of royalty realised within the jurisdiction of a Village Panchayat or a 'C' Class Municipal Council in a year is less than Rs. One lakh, the grant-in-aid to be given would be equal to the amount of the revenue so realised and if the amount or revenue exceeds Rs. One lakh, the grant-in-aid payable to a village Panchayat or a 'C' Class Municipal Council would be restricted to Rs. One lakh only, The amount to be paid as grant-in-aid each year would depend upon the revenue realised during the previous year.

2. The royalty on account of minor minerals is credited to the budget head "128-Mines and Minerals (c) Mineral Concession Fees and Royalties (c) (i) Receipts from the Minor Mineral Extraction Rules" which is controlled by the Revenue and Forests Department. Instructions in this behalf and orders sanctioning the grant-in-aid in question will be issued by the Rural Development Department and the Urban Development Department are requested to take action hereafter to release grants on the basis of the revenue realised by way of royalty on minor minerals as stated above, to the Village Panchayats and 'C' Class Municipal Councils, respectively, by way of grant-in-aid after making requisite provisions in the budget.

3. The collectors should submit reports about collection of royalty on "Minor Minerals" within the Jurisdiction of Village Panchayats and 'C' Class Municipal Councils during the previous year, to the Rural Development Department and the Urban Development Department respectively, to enable these Departments to make necessary provisions in the budget and for releasing the grants on this account. The Collectors should also keep as account of the royalty recovered on minor minerals within the jurisdiction of village Panchayats and 'C' class

Municipal Councils so as to enable them to furnish the details thereof every year to the respective Departments. This scheme should be implemented from the current financial year 1984-1985.

4. This Government Resolution issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its unofficial reference No. CR. 1393/84/EXP.9, date the 12th November, 1984.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

(Smt. M. G. Ponkshe)

Under Secretary to Government,
Revenue and Forests Department.