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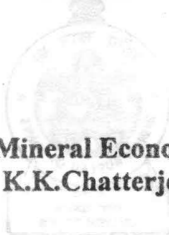
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PREFACE

The first edition of the Digest of Minor Mineral Laws of India was issued in 1979 and second revised edition in 1989. The present one is the third revised edition. After the second edition, Government of Assam has framed Minor Mineral Concession Rules for the first time under the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957 for regulating the development of minor minerals. Similarly, the Government of Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Orissa replaced the old rules with new ones. Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura do not yet have their own Minor Mineral Concession Rules. After the second edition, a number of amendments have also taken place in the Minor Mineral Concession Rules of the various States/Union Territories. Due to these changes this revised third edition had become due.

This revised edition covers 21 States/Union Territories where rules have been framed under the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957. This Digest comprises two parts, the Part-I contains : (i) the definition and up-to-date list of all the minerals that have been declared as 'Minor Minerals' by the Central Government, (ii) Historical background of the development of Minor Mineral laws in India and (iii) legal regime of minor minerals incorporating all the provisions relating to minor minerals contained in the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957, the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 1988 and the provisions of the Mines Act, 1952 in-so-far as they are relevant to Minor Minerals.

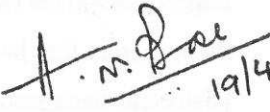
The Part-II contains Statewise Digest of Minor Mineral Concession Rules of 21 States/Union Territories, each summarised under eight heads namely, title, administering authority, types of concessions, procedure for grant, period and area, transfer, surrender and termination, rents and royalties and dispute settlement procedure. Besides, important parameters of Minor Mineral Concession Rules at a glance, are also given as an Annexure.

The objective of this publication is to acquaint the reader not only with the general law relating to minor minerals but also to indicate certain important provisions of the Minor Mineral Concession Rules in force in various States. The publication is only a digest and is not intended to be a substitute for Minor Mineral Concession Rules of the various States/Union Territories. Persons who are interested in having full details are advised to consult the Minor Mineral Concession Rules of the concerned State Governments.

During the preparation of this digest, individual State Governments were contacted to ascertain the up to date provisions of the Minor Mineral Concession Rules in force in different States. Though every effort has been made to incorporate the up to date provisions, it is quite likely that in a few cases the position indicated might have undergone further change subsequently.

The co-operation of the various State Governments in supplying the copies of Minor Mineral Concession Rules in force in the respective States and other relevant information is thankfully acknowledged.

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