



GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY & MINING

A. MILESTONES OF THE DEPARTMENT SINCE OCTOBER, 2019

- I. SWITCH OVER FROM OPEN AUCTION TO E-AUCTION RESULTING IN QUANTUM JUMP IN REVENUE REALIZATION.**
- II. IDENTIFICATION OF NEW MAJOR/MINERAL BLOCKS**
 - a. Limestone 10 blocks (major minerals) in the Districts of Rajouri, Poonch, Anantnag and Pulwama in the UT which will be put to e-auction soon.
 - b. Gypsum blocks, 02 in District Ramban, e-auction process of these blocks is under way.
- III. REVIVAL OF PREVIOUSLY UNATTENDED/ABANDONED VITAL PROJECTS:**
 - a. Exploration of Sapphire deposits at Sumcham, Kishtwar through MECL.
 - b. Auction of Sapphire stones.
 - c. Revival of Lignite deposits.
 - d. Revival of Kalakote Coal Mines.
- IV .NEW PROJECTS**
 - a. Lithium Deposits
 - b. Biogenic (Shallow) Gas.
- V. COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION WITH CENTRAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS/ AGENCIES FOR REGULATION OF MINING ACTIVITIES.**
 - a. Ease of doing business
 - b. Regulating stone crushers/hot and wet mixing plants.
 - c. Relief to brick kilns plant holders
 - d. Customary mining.
 - e. Constitution of single window clearance committee
 - f. Facilitating in securing clearances before putting minor mineral blocks to e-auction.
 - g. Providing assured and constant key-construction material to the projects of national importance.
 - h. Reserving minor mineral blocks for psus.
 - i) Issuance of short term/ disposal permits.
 - j). Grant of quarry licenses for construction of semi- ring road Srinagar.



B. ONLINE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT THROUGH E-SERVICES PORTAL (i.e. <https://www.geologyminingjk.com>)

- 1. Grant and renewal of Mineral Dealer License
- 2. Grant/renewal of Quarry license for Private land
- 3. Grant of Mining Lease for Private Land i.e. In case the minerals are not deposited in State land
- 4. Short-Term Permit / Disposal Permit
- 5. Modal Form for Monthly Return
- 6. Annual Return to be furnished by the Mining Lessee
- 7. Monthly Return to be submitted by Mineral Dealer Licensee

C. Introduction of e-Challan and e-Market Web Portal G2 B2C services, the general masses are now purchasing Minor Minerals through this portal through online mode (<http://geologymining.jk.gov.in>)

D. ESTABLISHMENT OF A GEO SCIENCE MUSEUM. The museum showcases the diverse Geo-environmental history of J&K UT besides serving as a valuable resource centre for Geo-scientific research and educational purposes.

E. INITIATIVES TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR MONITORING AND SUR-VEILLANCE OF ILLEGAL EXTRACTION/ TRANSPORTATION OF MINERALS

- i. Mines Surveillance System.
- ii. ESTABLISHMENT OF HI- TECH MINERAL CHECK POSTS (CCTV CAMERAS).
- iii. INSTALLATION OF I-CHECK GATES IN THE UT OF J&K
- iv. ON-SPOT IMPOSITION/ REALIZATION OF PENALTIES ON VIOLATORS
- v. VEHICLE TRACKING SYSTEM (VTS)



F. Taking up of work in mining affected areas under DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST & PMKKKY (the funds of District Mineral Foundation Trust took off from the year 2020-21 and as on date i.e. 31 Oct 2023 an amount of 50.92 crores towards the Trust in the J&K has been contributed since its inception out of which 20.15 crores were released for execution of 331 PMKKKY schemes)

G. The Production of Gypsum through JKML has increased from targeted production of 10,000 MTS to 52,000 MTS per Month and is further expected to increase in FY 2023-24 after renewal of lease of additional Gypsum blocks.

H. The JKML Corporation has recently received the approval from Ministry of Mines Govt. of India for reservation of Limestone Quarry Khrew. Exploratory drilling of bore-holes has been entrusted to Directorate of Geology & Mining and the work is under process.

