

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT Civil Secretariat, J&K

Subject:

Constitution of committee to examine and finalize the modalities for revival of customary mining activities of stone quarrying at Panthachowk Srinagar, Saderkoot Bala Bandipora and other related locations

Government Order No.:1228 -JK(GAD) of 2025 Dated: 22.09.2025

Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of Committee, comprising the following, to examine and finalize the modalities for revival of customary mining activities of stone quarrying at Panthachowk Srinagar, Saderkoot Bala Bandipora and other related locations:-

1.	Special Secretary to the Government, Mining Department	Chairpersor
2.	Representative of Forest, Ecology & Environment Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member
3.	Representative of Revenue Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member
4.	Representative of Jal Shakti Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member
5.	Representative of Rural Development Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member
6.	Director, Geology & Mining Department	Member Secretary
7.	Professor, Department of Geology, University of Kashmir	Member
8.	Representative of J&K Pollution Control Committee	Member

The Committee shall submit its report along with detailed recommendations within a period of 30 days from the date of issuance of the order.

Terms of Reference:

- i. To examine the legal/regulatory framework for revival of customary quarrying practices at identified locations.
- ii. To assess environmental implications and obtain inputs from key stakeholders, particularly Pollution Control Committee and Forest Department.
- iii. To explore administrative mechanisms for structured revival of quarrying activities in line with J&K Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, and related regulations.
- iv. To suggest sustainable, scientific and community-sensitive modalities for operation of such quarries.
- v. To recommend a way forward for consideration of the Competent Authority.

By Order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd/-

Dated: 22.09.2025

(M. Raju) IAS

Commissioner/Secretary to the Government

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Copy to the:

- 1. Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Jal Shakti Department.
- 2. Principal Secretary to the Government, Mining Department.

3. Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K.

4. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

5. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Forest, Ecology & Environment Department.

6. Administrative Secretary, Revenue Department.

7. Secretary to the Government, Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj.

8. Director Information.

9. Director, Archives, Archaeology & Museums.

10. OSD/Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

11. Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister for Science & Technology Department.

12. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, J&K.

13. Private Secretary to Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, GAD.

14. Private Secretary to Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

15. Government Order/Stock file/Website, GAD. "Hindi and Urdu versions shall follow".

(Shakeeb Arsallan) JKAS 20/9/20

Under Secretary to the Government