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## **Petroleum and Natural Gas (Amendment) Rules, 2009**

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NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 25th November, 2009

**G.S.R. (E) 899(E).**—In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 5 and 6 of the Oilfields (Regulation and Development) Act, 1948 (53 of 1948), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959, namely : —

1. (1) These rules may be called the Petroleum and Natural Gas (Amendment) Rules, 2009.
- (2) They shall come into force with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. In the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959 (hereinafter to be referred as the said rules), in rule 6, in sub-rule (1), —
  - (a) in clause (i), for the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand)” the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh)” shall be substituted;
  - (b) in clause (ii), for the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand)” the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh)” shall be substituted.
3. In the said rules, in rule 11, —
  - (a) In sub-rule (1), for the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh)” the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh)” shall be substituted.
  - (b) in sub-rule (2), for clauses (i) to (v), the following clauses shall be substituted respectively, namely :
    - “(i) Rs. 200/- (Rupees two hundred) for the first year license;



- (ii) Rs. 400/- (Rupees four hundred) for the second year license;
- (iii) Rs. 2000/- (Rupees two thousand) for the third year license;
- (iv) Rs. 2800/- (Rupees two thousand and eight hundred) for the fourth year license;
- (v) Rs. 4000/- (Rupees four thousand) for the each subsequent year of renewal.”;

(c) after sub-rule (2), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely :—

“Provided that any excess amount paid by the licensee in any year as license fee shall be adjusted against the fee for Petroleum Exploration License or Petroleum Mining Lease granted under Rule 4 due for subsequent years of the same area or any other area held by the licensee”.

4. In the said rules, in rule 13, —

(a) in sub-rule (1), —

- (i) in clause (a), for the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh)”, the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh)” shall be substituted;
- (ii) in clause (b), for the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 30,000/- (Rupees thirty thousand)”, the letters, figure, brackets and words “Rs. 1,20,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Thousand)” shall be substituted.

(b) in sub-rule (2), in clause (a), —

- (i) for the letters, figures, brackets and words, “Rs. 25.00 (Rupees twenty five)”, the letters, figures, brackets and words, “Rs. 100.00 (Rupees One Hundred)” shall be substituted;
- (ii) for the letters, figures, brackets and words “Rs. 50.00 (Rupees fifty), the letters, figures, brackets and words Rs. 200.00 (Rupees Two Hundred)” shall be substituted.

(c) in sub-rule (2) after clause (a) the following proviso shall be inserted, namely :—

“Provided that the lessee shall pay within thirty days dead rent of the grant of Petroleum Mining Lease and yearly dead rent in advance for every subsequent year”.

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**Note :** The principal rules were published *vide* number G.S.R. 1288 dated the 24th November, 1959 and subsequently amended *vide* G.S.R. 295(E), dated 1st April, 2003.