

**AZAD JAMMU & KASHMIR MINING CONCESSIONS
(AMENDMENT) RULES, 1957**

(Passed under Council Order No. 209/57 Dated 13-6-1957)

In exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section 2 of the Regulation of Mines and Oil Fields and Mineral Development Act, as in force in the Azad Kashmir Territory, the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government is pleased to direct the amendment of the Mining Concessions Rules as here-after provided :-

1. (i) These Rules may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Mining Concessions (Amendment) Rules, 1957.
- (ii) They shall apply throughout the Azad Kashmir Territory and shall come into force at once.
2. Subject to the provisions of Section 4 of the Azad Kashmir Interpretation of Laws Act, 1954, in the Pakistan Mining Concessions Rules, as adapted by Azad Kashmir Government :-
 - (i) 'Government', 'Central Government', 'Provincial Government', 'Governor General', and such other expressions referring to Chief Executive Government, shall mean the 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government'.
 - (ii) All references to rules shall in their application to Azad Kashmir Territory, be construed as references to the Pakistan Mining Concession Rules, 1949, as amended or modified subsequently ;
 - (iii) The expression 'Azad Kashmir High Courts' shall be substituted for the expression 'Federal Courts' or 'Federal Court of Pakistan' wherever it occurs ;
 - (iv) For the expression 'Gazette of Pakistan' wherever it occurs the expression 'Government Gazette' shall be substituted ;
 - (v) Reference to Indian Arbitration Act, 1940, and the Rules framed thereunder, shall be construed to refer to Arbitration Act as in force in Azad Kashmir Territory and the rules framed thereunder ;
 - (vi) For the expression 'Karachi' wherever it occurs the expression Capital of Azad Kashmir Government or such

other place as may be specified by the Government in this behalf shall be substituted ;

(vii) Wherever there is a reference to 'requirements of Pakistan, Employment of the Nationals of Pakistan or a reference to companies incorporated in Pakistan or to the security of Pakistan' the same shall, as far as practicable, be construed to refer, respectively, to requirements of Azad Kashmir and Pakistan, employment of the nationals of Jammu and Kashmir State and Pakistan, the companies incorporated in Azad Kashmir and Pakistan and security of Azad Kashmir and Pakistan ;

(viii) In Rules 45, 64 and 65 the word 'Collector' shall be substituted for the expression 'Licensing Authority'.
