

**Subject: Amendment to Regulations 15(2), 15(3), 16(1) & 16(2) of the Metalliferous Mines Regulations, 1961.**

Sir,

- 1.0 The provisions of Regulations 15(2), 15(3), 16(1) & 16(2) of the Metalliferous Mines Regulation, 1961 relating to qualification and practical experience of candidates for certificates granted by the Board have been amended vide Government of India Notification No. GSR 823(E0 dated 5th November, 2001 published in the Gazette of India, Extra-ordinary Part – II Section 3(i) of even date. The provisions of these amended regulations have come into effect from the date of their publication as indicated above ( i.e. 5th November, 2001) with certain relaxations for three years from coming into force of these amendments ( i.e. upto 5th November 2004) .
- 2.0 Amended provisions of these regulations are reproduced below :-

**Regulation 15(2)**

**No person shall be admitted as candidate to any examination for Manager's Surveyor's Forman's Certificate unless he has passed the " Senior Secondary School examination or Intermediate Examination or its equivalent from a recognized Board or University or Diploma in Engineering or Degree in Mining Engineering or other equivalent qualifications, approved in that behalf by the Central Government " and for Mate's Engine-driver's or Blaster's Certificate unless he satisfies the Board that he is literate :**

**" Provided that nothing in this sub-regulation shall be deemed to debar a person, not satisfying the provisions thereof, from being admitted at any of the aforesaid examinations from the date of commencement of the Metalliferous Mines ( Amendment ) Regulations, 2001 if he had been admitted at such examinations for the said certificates before such commencement ;**

**Provided further that nothing in this sub-regulation shall be deemed to debar a person not satisfying the provisions thereof from being admitted at any of the aforesaid examinations for the said certificates for three years from the date of commencement of the Metalliferous Mines (Amendment) Regulations 2001 including the date of such commencement ."**

**Regulation 15(3) : omitted.**

## **Regulation 16 : Practical experience of candidates for Manager's examination**

(1) No person shall be admitted as a candidate at any examination for a First or Second Class Manager's Certificate ( **other than Exchange Certificate to which the provisions of regulations 22 apply** ), unless he has satisfied that Board that he has practical experience in a Metalliferous mine for a period of not less than six and five years respectively :

**"Provided that –**

- (a) **in case of a candidate who has received a Diploma in Mining or Mining engineering or other equivalent qualification approved in that behalf by the Central Government, such period shall be reduced to "five" and "four" years, respectively;**
- (b) **in case of a candidate who has received a Degree in Mining Engineering or other equivalent qualification approved in that behalf by the central Government, such period shall be reduced to "two" and "one" years, respectively; and**
- (c) **in case of candidate who has received a degree in Applied Geology, Civil, Mechanical or Electrical Engineering or other equivalent qualifications approved in that behalf by the Central Government, such shall be reduced to "four" and "two" and a half years, respectively.**

**Provided further that each of the aforementioned periods of practical experiences shall have been obtained after receiving the requisite Diploma Degree or other equivalent qualification, as the case may be. "**

(2) The nature of the practical experience required of a candidate for Manager's Certificate shall be approved by the Board and gained in one of the following capacities in a Metalliferous mine having an average employment of not less than 60 in working belowground or not less than 160 in all in the mine {or in such other mines} as the Board may approve in this behalf.

- (a) As a workman, or mining apprentice having direct practical experience of getting ore and of a stone- work, timbering and repairing; or
- (b) As an official in respect of mining operations:

Provided that out of the period of experience required under sub- regulation (1) from candidate for an examination of –

- (i) First Class Manager's Certificate not restricted to mines having opencast workings only, a period of not less than eighteen months should have been spent in the working belowground of a mine;
- (ii) Second Class Manager's Certificate not restricted to mines having opencast workings only, a period of not less than twelve months should have been spent in the workings belowground of a mine:

Provided further that the board may approve a part of the period of the experience gained while engaged in inspection, rescue, research, planning or any other work, connected with mining operations, so however that, the aforesaid period shall not, inclusive of the period of experience in coal mines approved under regulation 19 exceed **six months in case of Second Class and one year in case of First Class Manager's Certificate.**

The amended portions of Regulations have been highlighted.

You are requested to give wide publicity amongst all the persons working in your area for information and compliance.

Yours faithfully,

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