

Ministerial Regulation No. 21, B.E. 2522

Issued under the Mineral Royalty Rates Act B.E. 2509

Translation

By virtue of Section 6 and Section 7 of the Mineral Royalty Rates Act, B.E. 2509 amended by the Mineral Royalty Rates Act (No.3), B.E. 2522, and Section 9 of the Mineral Royalty Rates Act, B.E. 2509, the Minister of Industry has issued the Ministerial Regulations as follows:

Section 1

The following are hereby repealed:

- (1) Article 3 bis. in Section 2 of Ministerial Regulation No.6 (B.E. 2514) as amended by Ministerial Regulation No. 17 (B.E. 2521) issued under the Mineral Royalty Rates Act B.E. 2509.
- (2) Section 5 of Ministerial Regulation No. 18 (B.E. 2521) issued under the Mineral Royalty Rates Act, B.E. 2509.
- (3) No. 32 (a) mineral, on the mineral list, and mineral royalty rates attached to Ministerial Regulation No.18 (B.E. 2521) issued under the Mineral Royalty Rates Act, B.E. 2509.

Section 2

Under this Ministerial Regulation:

"Gems" means diamond, zircon, yellow sapphire, ruby, other sapphires or minerals in the Corundum group, garnet, and black sapphire or minerals in the Spinel group.

"Year" means calendar year.

Section 3

In each year, the Director-General shall post the appraised value of gems in each locality where the Provisional Prathanabat or Prathanabat has been issued.

The appraisal of mineral value under the first paragraph shall be based on the average value of gems obtained from mine operation in an area of one rai in each locality.

Section 4

Royalties on gems shall be collected annually at the rate of ten percent of the appraised value posted by the Director-General under Section 3 by computing on the size of land, which a Provisional Prathanabat holder or a Prathanabat holder has proposed his intention to mine in that year.

If it appears later that a Provisional Prathanabat holder or a Prathanabat holder operates outside the proposed areas, the royalties on gems for the exceeding area shall be collected altogether.

A petition to operate a mine under the first paragraph shall be done in writing accompanied by a map showing the boundary area within which a mine will be operated in that year, in the area where a Provisional Prathanabat or a Prathanabat has been issued. Additionally, the petition shall be submitted to the Local Mineral Industry Official at the time of royalty payment.

Section 5

Royalties on gems shall be collected in advance every year. The payment shall be made no later than the 31st of January in that year or within thirty days from the date on which

the permission to mine is granted. The Local Mineral Industry Official may allow the payment to be paid in two installments under a bank guarantee.

Given on the 28th day of August, B.E. 2522

Signed by Mr. Prasit Narongdej

The Minister of Industry

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