# MINING MATTER TOP PRIORITY



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## ORDER

Whereas during the Law and Order meeting chaired by the Chief Secretary on 23/03/2018, it was informed by Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Porvorim, Bardez Goa that the mining companies in North Goa used to release/pump water from the mining pits for drinking or irrigation purpose over the years;

And whereas all the mining operations are directed to be closed from 16/03/2018, by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLA No.32138 dated 07/02/2018.

And whereas the above activity of release of water for irrigation /drinking are not in any way connected with mining operations and stoppage of the same would result in unavailability of drinking and irrigation water to the downstream people which would create severe public inconvenience and nuisance.

Therefore, I Smt. Nila Mohanan, IAS, District Magistrate, North Goa hereby invoke 133(1) of Criminal Procedure Code 1973 and pass this conditional order that all the mining lease holders shall continue the release of water for drinking and irrigation requirement downstream as was regularly being done in the past or if they object to do so, to show cause within seven days of the date of the order as to why the order should not be made absolute, to appear before the undersigned on 02/04/2018 at 11.00 a.m. for the same.

Failure to comply with the above directions shall attract criminal action under Section 188 of IPC.

Given under my hand and seal on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018.

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(Nila Mohanan, IAS)
District Magistrate,
North Goa

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# Copy to:-

- 1. The Director of Mines, with a direction to ensure service of this order on all the mining lease holders of North Goa District.
- 2. The Chief Engineer, WRD, Porvorim to report compliance/non compliances of this order.

## Copy for information:-

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Porvorim Goa.
- 2. The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Secretariat, Porvorim Goa.
- 3. The Director General of Police, Panaii.
- 4. The Special Secretary Home Government of Goa, Home Department, Secretariat, Porvorim.

#### Copy to:-

- 1) The Superintendent of Police, North Goa District, Porvorim with a request to enforce the order.
- 2) The Superintendent of Police(Traffic), Altinho, Panaji Goa
- 3) The Director of Transport, Junta House, Panaji
- 4) The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Panaji/Pernem/Bicholim/Mapusa.
- 5) The Sub Divisional Police Officer, Panaji/Porvorim/Pernem/Mapusa.
- 6) The Mamlatdars of North Goa District.
- 7) The Director of Information and Publicity, Panaji with a request to give wide publicity through all local dailies.
- 8) The Station Director, All India Radio, Altinho, Panaji for giving wide publicity.
- 9) The Director of Doordarshan, Altinho, Panaji for giving wide publicity.
- 10) The Director Government Printing Press Panaji with a request to Publish the order ibid in the **Extra Ordinary official Gazattee.**