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Circular No. : DoP/Tech/Others/File No.-129 /09/2022/1

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Subject :-	Full amount of Security Deposit (SD) to be paid at the time of submitting "Re-grant Application".
Reference :	1. This office Circular no.DoP/Tech/Others/129/102, Dt. 01/05/2017
	1. This office Circular no. 1/2020-21/DoP/Tech/Others/129/59, Dt. 01/03/2021

**PREFACE**

As per the provisions of Rule no. 13(1)(a) of Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules 1959 (amended from time to time), an applicant is required to make the payment of Security Deposit (SD) at the prevailing rates at the time of submitting the "Re-grant Application". As per the Petroleum and Natural Gas (Amendment) Rules 2009, an amount of Rs. 8,00,000/- (Rupees eight lakhs only) is to be paid as Security Deposit for this purpose. It has been observed by this Directorate that there prevails a practice of adjusting the available balance of Security Deposit (paid for the previous term) against the SD payable for re-grant application and only to pay the differential amount. This results in administrative issues of preserving the old records of "Challans" of Security Deposits for long period of time with this office. If the original application is made in the year 1960 and the re-grant application is being made now with such adjustment amount, this office needs to get and preserve the old challan of 1960 as on today and also maintain the same record till the forthcoming period of Re-grant which can be for further 10-20- or 30 years as the case may be. This is neither advisable nor appropriate considering the possibility of unavailability or torn or marred record in future. To prevent such possibilities, a circular in this regard was under consideration to be issued. After careful consideration following circular is being issued.

**CIRCULAR**

At the time of submitting a "Re-grant Application", an applicant must remit the full amount of Security Deposit (SD) required for this purpose as per the prevailing statutory provisions. Further as per the instructions issued vide Circulars referred above, the payment of Security Deposits is to be made through online mode only.

These instructions shall come in to effect from the date of this circular.

(Manoj Patel)

Director

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