

Estates Partition Act, 1897

Section 13 - Mines Tribunal –

- 1) Any Mines Tribunal appointed for the purposes of Sections 10, 12 and 36 shall consist of a Chairman who shall be a District Judge and a member, who shall be a mining expert and subject to the approval of the Central Government they shall be appointed by the State Government.
- (2) In setting the terms and conditions of a lease by the State Government under Section 10 the Mines Tribunal shall have power to determine the extent of the property deemed to have been leased by the State Government and in so doing shall have due regard to the reasonable requirements for the future development of the lessees mining concern.
- (3) The Tribunal shall follow such procedure as may be prescribed by the State Government.
- (4) If there is a difference of opinion between the Chairman and the member in regard to any matter, the same shall be referred by the Chairman to a Judge of the High Court to be nominated by the Chief Justice of that Court in this behalf, and the decision of such Judge shall be binding on the Tribunal.

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