

No. 65 of 1957.

BRITISH GUIANA

ORDER IN COUNCIL

Made Under

THE LABOUR ORDINANCE,

(Chapter 103).

UNDER SECTION 8 OF THE LABOUR ORDINANCE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, AS FOLLOWS:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Minimum Wages (Quarry Workers) Order, 1957.

2. In this Order —

“quarry worker” means any person employed to perform manual labour in connection with the operation of a quarry;

“quarry” means any open work, pit or excavation from which stone or rock is obtained by means of cutting, blasting or other methods, by way of trade or for purposes of gain, but shall not include any place where any manufacturing process, other than a process ancillary to the getting, dressing or preparation for sale of stone or rock, is carried on.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this article the minimum rate of wages payable to a quarry worker in any of the categories set out in the first column of the first schedule to this order shall be the appropriate rate set out in the second column of the said schedule.

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) of this article, where work is performed on a piece-rate basis, the wages payable to a quarry worker in any of the categories set out in the first column of the second schedule to this order shall be the appropriate rate set out in the second column of the said schedule;

Provided that where, upon the commencement of this order, a quarry worker is in receipt of a wage at a rate greater than that prescribed in this order, the employer shall nevertheless continue to pay to the said worker wages at the higher rate.

FIRST SCHEDULE

| CATEGORY OF QUARRY WORKER | MINIMUM RATE OF WAGES |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Blaster-Foreman | \$50.00 per week |
| Blaster | \$37.50 per week |
| Blacksmith | \$31.25 per week |
| Assistant Blacksmith | \$22.50 per week |
| Jack-Hammer Operator | \$28.13 per week |
| Mechanical Operator) | |
| Tractor Operator) | \$28.13 per week |
| Truck Driver) | |
| General Labourer | \$ 3.20 per day 40c. per hour |

SECOND SCHEDULE

| CATEGORY OF QUARRY WORKER | PIECE WORK RATE |
|---------------------------|---|
| Jack-Hammer Operator | .06½c. per ft. |
| Hand Driller | (Granite) 45c. per ft. per pair |
| | (Gabbro) 60c. per ft. per pair |
| Sledger | (Fines — under 6 inches) 63c. per ton |
| | (Boulders — over 6 inches) 45c. per ton |
| | (On vehicles) 32c. per ton |
| Loader | (On craft) 40c. per ton |
| | Cleanings 40c. per ton |

This Order shall come into force on the 1st day of December, 1957.

Made in Council this 18th day of December, 1957.

IVOR O. SMITH,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

(M.P. L: 56/12/16/1).