

**Regulation No. (26) of 1985**  
**Regulation of Regulating and Managing the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources /**  
**issued pursuant to both articles Nos. (45 and 120) of the constitution.**

**Article (1)**

This regulation shall be called (Regulation of Regulating and Managing the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of 1985) and it shall be applicable as of the date of promulgating it in the Official Gazette.

**Article (2)**

The following words and phrases wherever mentioned herein shall have the meaning allocated for the same herein-under, unless the context indicates otherwise:

<b>Ministry</b>	: Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources.
<b>Minister</b>	: Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources.
<b>Undersecretary</b>	: Undersecretary of the Ministry.
<b>Director</b>	: Director of any Department at the Ministry.
<b>Primary Energy</b>	: Energy generated by fossil fuels (crude oil, gas, coal, and oil shale) and the nuclear energy.
<b>Renewable Energy</b>	: Energy generated by the solar system including solar energy, wind energy, water energy, waste energy and wood energy.
<b>Electricity</b>	: Energy generated by transforming primary energy and renewable energy into electric energy.
<b>Electricity Authority</b>	: Jordan Electric Power Authority incorporated pursuant to General Electricity Law No. 08 of 1976 or any other legislation which supersedes the same.
<b>Electricity Company</b>	: Any electricity company holding privilege within the kingdom.
<b>Minerals</b>	: All natural crude materials of economic value excluding oil, natural gas, rock materials and the derivatives thereof related to building or the paving of roads or decorative materials such as granite and marble.
<b>Petroleum Products</b>	: Products extracted from the refining of fossil fuels, (in particular crude oil).
<b>Resources Authority</b>	: Natural Resources Authority incorporated pursuant to Law of Regulating the Natural Resources Affairs No. 12 of 1968 or any other legislation superseding the same.

**Article (3)**

The Ministry shall achieve the following targets:

- a. Providing and developing primary energy, renewable energy, electrical energy and regulating the affairs thereof.

- b. Searching and excavating for mineral and natural resources within the kingdom.

**Article (4)**

In order to achieve the targets stipulated herein, the Ministry shall practice the following tasks:

**a. In the Field of Primary Energy and Petroleum Products:**

1. Studying and determining the needs of the Kingdom from the different energy sources and planning to provide its needs from those sources.
2. Developing and improving energy resources in all their various types.
3. Following up on the development of the energy economics in other countries, preparing the studies and reports thereof and providing the concerned organizations with the same.
4. Giving opinion on the economic feasibility studies of the projects that consume energy and estimating the expenses thereof, if requested.
5. Making international communications for purposes of ensuring the energy supply for the Kingdom and, together with the concerned organizations, representing the country in the international agreements related to energy and in the corresponding contacts with the international organizations.
6. Participating in planning and studying the projects of infrastructure closely related to energy.
7. Executing the public projects of energy and supervising them either directly or through others.
8. Studying the cost of petroleum products.
9. To elaborate joint recommendations with the Ministry of Finance for the Council of Ministers to determine oil prices and petroleum products thereof internally and externally.
10. Preparing the necessary studies for rationalizing the consumption of energy and oil products in all economic sectors, in addition to developing the necessary policies and supervising the execution thereof.
11. Providing consultation for the citizens and the commercial and industrial organizations on the issues related to improving the efficiency of energy utilization either for free or for a fee according to the instructions issued by the Minister.
12. Verifying methods of transporting and distributing the petroleum products in a safe manner and monitoring the organizations working in this field.
13. Investigating the complaints received by the public organizations or any other authority regarding the oil products and their transportation, distribution, storage and treatment.

14. Developing the national specifications of petroleum products, the methods of transportation, distribution, and storage, as well as the conditions of public health related to it, by monitoring them in coordination with the competent authorities.
15. Regulating the use of the nuclear energy for peaceful purposes in the field of electricity, industrial, agriculture, medicine, pharmacy, minerals exploration and in any other field as well as the protection and safety from radiation and coordinating with the concerned Jordanian authorities, as well as the regional and international authorities working in this field.
16. Preparing recommendations for the Council of Ministers regarding the general policy for importing oil, exploring for oil locally, and investing in refining, storing, transporting and marketing petroleum products internally and externally.

**b. In the field of electricity:**

1. Recommending the Council of Ministers regarding the general policy for developing, improving and producing electricity and regulating the affairs thereof.
2. Developing the general policy regarding the transfer and distribution of electricity and the related performance level, along with the supervision of the execution of such a policy.
3. Studying the technical and financial situation of electricity companies and presenting reports regarding their situation to the council of Ministers.
4. Making the necessary communications with the neighboring Arab Countries for establishing electricity connection, exchanging electricity and concluding the necessary agreements after approval by the Council of Ministers.
5. Developing national specifications for electricity within the Kingdom, along with the related conditions for public safety and monitoring in coordination with the authorities concerned.
6. Investigating the complaints received by the Ministry from the public authorities and any other authority regarding the electricity and the remedial measures to be taken.
7. Ensuring the soundness and accuracy of the electric devices and meters used by the consumers within the Kingdom.

**c. Minerals and natural resources exploration:**

1. Preparing recommendations for the Council of Ministers regarding the general policy for exploring minerals and other natural resources within the Kingdom.
2. Planning, studying and developing the national specifications for the excavations and mining operations carried out by the pertinent national entity and ensuring the conformity with these specifications.
3. Following up the execution of the general policies of excavation and mining and the plans approved for such purposes.

**Article (5)**

**The following are connected to the Ministry directly:**

- a. The Natural Resources Authority.
- b. The Jordanian Electric Power Authority.

**Article (6)**

**a. The following directorates are established within the Ministry:**

1. Industrial Energy Directorate.
2. Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Directorate.
3. Projects Directorate.
4. Planning Directorate.
5. Management and Finance Directorate.

b. Based upon recommendation from the Secretary General, the Minister shall be entitled to create the directorates, sections, branches and divisions in the Ministry, cancel part thereof or merge directorates with others.

**Article (7)**

**The Minister shall issue the instructions and resolutions necessary for executing provisions of this regulation including:**

- a. Determining the tasks and duties entrusted to the Undersecretary, Directorates, Directors, Heads of sections, Departments and Offices in the Ministry.
- b. Determining jobs descriptions for the employees in the Ministry.
- c. Determining the relationship and methods of contact and communication among the Ministry's entities.