After studying this unit, you will be able to:

- Understand the meaning of the term “Royalty”.
- Familiarize yourself with the Terminology related to Royalty Accounting:
  - Minimum Rent
  - Short-workings and Recoupment of Short-workings
    - Fixed
    - Floating
- Understand the Accounting Treatment in the books of Lessee and Lessor.
5.1 INTRODUCTION OF ROYALTY AND RELATED TERMINOLOGIES

“Royalty” may be defined as:
- Periodic payment
- Made by one person (lessee) to another person (lessor)
- For using the right by the lessee vested in the lessor.

Examples:
1. For the extraction of oil, coal, and minerals.
2. To an author for sale of his books.
3. To a patentee for the use of patent.
4. For use of technical know how developed by a party

Thus, royalty means sum payable, generally based on output or sale, to the owner of mine, a patentee or an author or any other such person for use of rights vested in him. The person paying the royalty will treat this amount as an ordinary business expenditure. Royalties are generally debited to profit and loss account. Strictly speaking, royalty based on output should be debited to Trading or manufacturing account; royalty based on sales should be treated as selling expense and debited to profit and loss account. Before we understand the Accounting Treatment for Royalty, let us understand certain terms used in this unit.

Lease

Lease is an agreement whereby the lessor conveys to the lessee in return for a payment or series of payments the right to use an asset for an agreed period of time.

The party who conveys the rights is **lessor** and the one who is being granted the right to use in return for a series of payments is lessee.

**Minimum Rent/Dead Rent/Rock Rent/Fixed Rent**

Amount of rent which the lessee is required to pay to the lessor whether he has derived any benefit or not out of the right vested to him by the lessor.

Case I:
If in any year the Actual royalty is less than the Minimum rent
- Landlord will claim the minimum rent

Case II:
If in any year Actual royalty exceeds Minimum Rent
- Landlord will claim the actual royalty

Note: Minimum Rent may be the same for each year or may vary for different years according to the terms of agreement.

Example:
X has taken a lease of mine with minimum rent of ₹10,000 p.a. and with a rate of royalty at ₹ 2 per tonne of coal extracted. If coal extracted in the first year is 4,000 tonnes then Royalty comes to ₹ 8,000 (4,000 tonnes x ₹ 2 per tonne).
But X has to pay ₹10,000 as it is the minimum rent decided under the Royalty agreement.

**Short Workings**

It represents excess of Minimum Rent over the Actual Royalty.

**Mathematically:**

Short-workings = Minimum Rent – Actual Royalty

**Conclusion:**

Short-workings will only arise when the Actual royalty is less than the Minimum Rent. Also, short-workings will arise only when the same are allowed to be adjusted against future royalties. If the agreement is such that the lessee will have to pay a minimum rent irrespective of the benefits derived from the right vested to him by the lessor, and amount short-workings (minimum rent in excess of royalty computed as per agreement) cannot be adjusted in future years, then minimum rent will become expense of the lessee for that particular year.

**Continuing the above example:**

Short-workings for the year will be ₹ 2,000 i.e. [10,000-8,000]

**Recoupment of Short-workings**

Recoupment implies that lessor allows the lessee the right to carry forward and set off the short-workings against the excess or surplus of royalties over the Minimum Rent in the subsequent years.

This right is known as the right of Recoupment of Short-working.

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**Case I: Fixed Right of Recoupment**

If the lessor promises the lessee to compensate the loss (short working) only for a fixed time period

**Example:**

If lessor promises to compensate the loss only during the first 4 years, the right is said to be fixed.

**Case II: Floating Right of Recoupment**

If the lessor promises the lessee to compensate the short working of any year in the next two or three years

**Example:**

If lessor promises to compensate the (short-working) of any year in coming 2 years

Then short-workings of 3rd year can be recouped in 4th and 5th year and short-workings of 8th year in 9th and 10th year.
5.2 ACCOUNTING TREATMENT IN THE BOOKS OF LESSEE

Entry 1:
When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c --------------------------Dr. Actual Royalty
Short-workings A/c ----------------------Dr. Balancing Figure
To Landlord A/c Minimum Rent

Entry 2:
For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c --------------------------Dr. Minimum Rent
To Bank A/c Minimum Rent

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c ----------Dr. Actual Royalty
To Royalty A/c Royalty amount

Note:
1. The Journal Entries given below assume that there is a clause on Minimum Rent and Recoupment of Short-working subsequently:
2. Royalties based on output should be debited to Manufacturing or Production Account whereas royalty based on sales be treated as selling expenses should be debited to Trading Account or Profit and Loss Account.

Entry 4:
When Short-workings is recouped:
Royalty A/c --------------------------Dr. Actual Royalty
To Short-workings A/c Recoupment
To Landlord A/c Actual Payment

Entry 5:
For Irrecoverable Short-workings to Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c ---------Dr. Amount Lapsed
To Short-workings A/c Amount Lapsed

5.3 ACCOUNTING TREATMENT IN THE BOOKS OF LESSOR

Entry 1:
When Royalty is due:
Lessee A/c -----------------------------------Dr. Minimum Rent
To Royalty Receivable A/c Actual Royalty
To Short-workings Allowable A/c Balancing Figure

Entry 2:
When money is received:
Bank A/c -------------------------------Dr. Net Amount received
To Lessee A/c Minimum Rent

Entry 3:
When short-workings is recouped:
Short-workings Allowable A/c ---------------Dr. Amount of short-workings recouped
To Lessee A/c Amount of short-workings recouped

Entry 4:
For Irrecoverable amount of Short-workings
Profit and Loss A/c ------------------------Dr. Amount Lapsed
To Short-workings Allowable A/c Amount Lapsed

Entry 5:
For Transferring Royalty Receivable to Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c:
Royalty Receivable A/c -----------------------------Dr. Actual Royalty
To Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c ------ Actual Royalty

Practical Illustrations

ILLUSTRATION 1:
India Coal Ltd. got the lease of a colliery on the basis of ₹ 5 per tonne of coal raised subject to a Minimum Rent of ₹ 2,00,000 p.a. The tenant has the right to recoup short-workings during first four years of the lease and not afterwards.

The output in four years was:

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You are required to give the Journal entries and ledger accounts in the books of India Coal Ltd.
SOLUTION

Computation of Royalty, Minimum Rent and Short-workings

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Computation of Recoupment, Short-workings carried forward, Transferred to P&L Account

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Journal Entries in the Books of India Coal Ltd

Entries for Year 1

Entry 1: When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c -----------------------------------Dr. 90,000
Short-workings A/c ----------------------------Dr. 1,10,000
To Landlord A/c   2,00,000

Entry 2: For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c ---------------------------------Dr. 2,00,000
To Bank A/c   2,00,000

Entry 3: For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c ----------Dr. 90,000
To Royalty A/c   90,000

Entries for Year 2

Entry 1: When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c -----------------------------------Dr. 1,30,000
Short-workings A/c ----------------------------Dr. 70,000
Entry 2:
For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c -------------------Dr. 2,00,000
To Bank A/c 2,00,000

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c -------Dr. 1,30,000
To Royalty A/c 1,30,000

Entries for Year 3
Entry 1:
When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c -------------------Dr. 2,50,000
To Short-workings A/c -------------Dr. 50,000
To Landlord A/c 2,00,000

Entry 2:
For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c -------------------Dr. 2,00,000
To Bank A/c 2,00,000

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c -------Dr. 2,50,000
To Royalty A/c 2,50,000

Entries for Year 4
Entry 1:
When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c -------------------Dr. 3,00,000
To Short-workings A/c -------------Dr. 1,00,000
To Landlord A/c 2,00,000

Entry 2:
For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c -------------------Dr. 2,00,000
To Bank A/c 2,00,000

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c -------Dr. 3,00,000
To Royalty A/c 3,00,000
Entry 4:
For Irrecoverable Short-working:
Profit and Loss A/c ------------------------Dr. 30,000
To Short-workings A/c 30,000

Entries for Year 5

Entry 1:
When Royalty is Payable:
Royalty A/c ------------------------Dr. 5,00,000
To Landlord A/c 5,00,000

Entry 2:
For Payment to Landlord:
Landlord A/c ------------------------Dr. 5,00,000
To Bank A/c 5,00,000

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty:
Trading/Profit and Loss/Manufacturing/Production A/c ----------Dr. 5,00,000
To Royalty A/c 5,00,000

Ledger Accounts

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Short-workings Account

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### 3rd Year
- **To Balance b/d**: 1,80,000
- **By**: Royalty 50,000, Balance c/d 1,30,000

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### 4th Year
- **To Balance b/d**: 1,30,000
- **By**: Royalty 1,00,000, P&L 30,000

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### Royalty A/c
- **1st Year**
  - **To Lessor**: 90,000
  - **By**: P&L 90,000

- **2nd Year**
  - **To Lessor**: 1,30,000
  - **By**: P&L 1,30,000

- **3rd Year**
  - **To Lessor**: 2,00,000
  - **To Short-workings**: 50,000
  - **By**: P&L 2,50,000

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- **4th Year**
  - **To Lessor**: 2,00,000
  - **To Short-workings**: 1,00,000
  - **By**: P&L 3,00,000

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- **5th Year**
  - **To Lessor**: 5,00,000
  - **By**: P&L 5,00,000

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### ILLUSTRATION 2
Solve Illustration 1 from the point of view of Lessor.

#### Entries for Year 1

**Entry 1:**
- **When Royalty is due:**
  - Lessee A/c Dr. 2,00,000
  - Royalty Receivable A/c 90,000
  - Short-workings Allowable A/c 1,10,000

**Entry 2:**
- **When money is received:**
  - Bank A/c Dr. 2,00,000
  - Lessee A/c 2,00,000

**Entry 3:**
- **For Transferring Royalty Receivable:**
  - Royalty Receivable A/c Dr. 90,000
  - Profit and Loss A/c 90,000
**Entries for Year 2**

**Entry 1:**
**When Royalty is due:**

Lessee A/c -----------------------------------------Dr. 2,00,000  
To Royalty Receivable A/c 1,30,000  
To Short-workings Allowable A/c 70,000

**Entry 2:**
**When money is received:**

Bank A/c -------------------------------------------Dr. 2,00,000  
To Lessee A/c 2,00,000

**Entry 3:**
**For Transferring Royalty Receivable:**

Royalty Receivable A/c ------------------------Dr. 1,30,000  
To Profit and Loss A/c 1,30,000

**Entries for Year 3**

**Entry 1:**
**When Royalty is due:**

Lessee A/c -----------------------------------------Dr. 2,50,000  
To Royalty Receivable A/c 2,50,000

**Entry 2:**
**When short-workings is recouped:**

Short-workings Allowable A/c ------------------Dr. 50,000  
To Lessee A/c 50,000

**Entry 3:**
**When money is received:**

Bank A/c -------------------------------------------Dr. 2,00,000  
To Lessee A/c 2,00,000

**Entry 4:**
**For Transferring Royalty Receivable:**

Royalty Receivable A/c ------------------------Dr. 2,50,000  
To Profit and Loss A/c 2,50,000
Entries for Year 4

Entry 1:
When Royalty is due:
Lessee A/c -----------------------------------------Dr. 3,00,000
To Royalty Receivable A/c 3,00,000

Entry 2:
When short-workings is recouped:
Short-workings Allowable (Royalty Suspense) A/c------------------Dr. 1,00,000
To Lessee A/c 1,00,000

Entry 3:
When money is received:
Bank A/c -------------------------------------------Dr. 2,00,000
To Lessee A/c 2,00,000

Entry 4:
For Transferring Royalty Receivable:
Royalty Receivable A/c ------------------------Dr. 3,00,000
To Profit and Loss A/c 3,00,000

Entry 5:
For Irrecoverable amount of Short-workings
Profit and Loss A/c -----------------------------Dr. 30,000
To Short-workings Allowable A/c 30,000

Entries for Year 5

Entry 1:
When Royalty is due:
Lessee A/c -----------------------------------------Dr. 5,00,000
To Royalty Receivable A/c 5,00,000

Entry 2:
When money is received:
Bank A/c -------------------------------------------Dr. 5,00,000
To Lessee A/c 5,00,000

Entry 3:
For Transferring Royalty Receivable:
Royalty Receivable A/c ------------------------Dr. 5,00,000
To Profit and Loss A/c 5,00,000
### Ledger Accounts
#### Lessee Account

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<th>Year</th>
<th>To Royalty Receivable</th>
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### Short-workings Allowable A/c

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ILLUSTRATION 3

On 1st April, 2011 State Collieries Co. took on lease a mine from Omega Co. Under the contract, royalty was payable @ ₹ 10 per tonne of coal extracted with an annual minimum rent of ₹ 1,00,000. Short-workings, if any, were recoverable only during the first three years of the contract. The output for the first four years is noted below:

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Pass journal entries in the books of the landlord for all the four years.

SOLUTION

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<tr>
<th>Date</th>
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<th>Royalty @ ₹ 10 per tonne</th>
<th>Minimum Rent ₹</th>
<th>Short-workings allowable ₹</th>
<th>Short-workings recouped by lessee ₹</th>
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In the books of Omega

Journal Entries

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SUMMARY

- “Royalty” may be defined as periodic payment made by one person (lessee) to another person (lessor) for using the right by the lessee vested in the lessor.
- Minimum Rent is the amount of rent which the lessee is required to pay to the lessor whether he has derived any benefit or not out of the right vested to him by the lessor.
- Short-workings means excess of Minimum Rent over the Actual Royalty.
- Right of Recoupment implies that lessor allows the lessee the right to carry forward and set off the short-workings against the excess or surplus of royalties over the Minimum Rent in the subsequent years.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Short-workings means
   (a) Excess of minimum rent over actual royalty amount.
   (b) Excess of actual royalty amount over minimum rent.
   (c) Excess of maximum rent over actual royalty amount.

2. The rent payable by the tenant to the landlord irrespective of the fact whether he has derived any benefit or not out of the property let out to him by the landlord is termed as
   (a) Dead Rent    (b) Fixed Rent    (c) Either (a) or (b).

3. In case the right to recoup short workings has expired, the balance in the short-workings accounts is transferred to
   (a) Landlord’s account.
   (b) Profit and Loss account.
   (c) Royalty account.
Theory Questions

1. Define Royalty. Give some examples where it is paid or received.

2. Write short notes on:
   (i) Minimum Rent.
   (ii) Recoupment of short-workings.

Practical Questions

Q1. A grants a mine on lease to B on 31.3.13 a royalty of ₹ 2 per tonne of the coal produced. The following is the quantum of output for each year:

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<th>Quantum of Output</th>
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<td>For the year ended 31st March, 2014</td>
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<td>3,200 tonnes</td>
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<td>5,000 tonnes</td>
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The minimum rent is fixed at ₹ 7,000 and short-workings recoupment is allowable throughout the period of lease. Compute the amount of royalty payable for the years ended 31st March, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.

Q2. ABC Collieries Co. Ltd. took from M/s XYZ a lease of coal field for a period of 25 years from 1st April, 2010 on a royalty of ₹ 25 per tonne of coal extracted with a Dead Rent of ₹ 2,20,000 a year with power to recoup short-workings during the first five years of the lease. The company closes its books of account on 31st March every year.

The output in the first five years of the lease was as follows:

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<th>Year ended 31st March</th>
<th>Quantum of Output</th>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>2,000 tonnes</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>3,600 tonnes</td>
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<td>2013</td>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>15,000 tonnes</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>20,000 tonnes</td>
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You are required to give journal entries for all the transactions relating to royalties for the five years in the books of ABC Collieries Co. Ltd.

ANSWERS/HINTS

MCQs

1. (a)  2. (c)  3. (b)

Theoretical Questions

1. Royalty” may be defined as periodic payment made by one person (lessee) to another person (lessor) for using the right by the lessee vested in the lessor. Examples: For the extraction of oil, coal, and minerals or to an author for sale of his books.

2. (i) Minimum Rent is the amount of rent which the lessee is required to pay to the lessor whether he has derived any benefit or not out of the right vested to him by the lessor. It is also called Dead Rent or Rock Rent or Fixed Rent.
(ii) **Short-Workings** represents excess of Minimum Rent over the Actual Royalty. Right of Recoupment implies that lessor allows the lessee the **right to carry forward and set off** the short-workings against the excess or surplus of royalties over the Minimum Rent in the subsequent years as per the agreement.

### Practical Questions

**Answer 1**

**Statement showing amount of royalty payable**

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<th>Output (in tonnes)</th>
<th>Royalty @ ₹ 2 per tone</th>
<th>Minimum Rent</th>
<th>Short-workings allowable</th>
<th>Short-workings recouped</th>
<th>Amount payable</th>
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**Answer 2**

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<th>Royalty @ ₹ 25 per tonne</th>
<th>Minimum Rent</th>
<th>Short-workings</th>
<th>Short-workings being recouped</th>
<th>Short-workings irrecoverable Landlord</th>
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**Journal Entries in the books of ABC Collieries Co. Ltd.**

- **2011, March 31**
  - Royalties Account
  - Short-workings Account
  - To M/s XYZ (Royalties @ ₹ 25 per tonne on 2,000 tonnes subject to a minimum of ₹ 2,20,000)
  - Dr. 50,000
  - Dr. 1,70,000
  - 2,20,000

- **31 M/s XYZ**
  - To Bank… (Payment of the sum due to the landlord)
  - Dr. 2,20,000
  - 2,20,000

- **31**
  - Profit and Loss Account
  - To Royalties Account (Transfer of Royalties Account to Profit and Loss Account)
  - Dr. 50,000
  - 50,000
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| 2012, March 31 | Royalties Account  
To M/s XYZ  
(Royalties @ ₹ 25 per tonne on 3,600 tonnes plus ₹ 1,30,000 to landlord) | 90,000     | 1,30,000   |
|            | M/s. XYZ  
To Bank  
(Payment of the sum due to the landlord) | 2,20,000   | 2,20,000   |
|            | Profit and Loss Account  
To Royalties Account  
(Transfer of Royalties Account to Profit and Loss Account) | 90,000     | 90,000     |
| 2013, March 31 | Royalties Account  
To M/s XYZ  
To short-workings Account  
(Royalties @ ₹25 per tonne on 9,000 tonnes less ₹ 5,000 recovered against short-workings payable to landlord.) | 2,25,000   | 2,20,000   |
|            | M/s XYZ  
To Bank  
(Payment of the sum due to landlord) | 2,20,000   | 2,20,000   |
|            | Profit and Loss Account  
To Royalties Account  
(Transfer of Royalties Account to Profit and Loss Account) | 2,25,000   | 2,25,000   |
| 2014, March 31 | Royalties Account  
To M/s XYZ  
To Short-workings Account  
(Royalties @ ₹25 per tonne on 15,000 tonne less ₹ 1,55,000 recovered against short-workings payable to landlord.) | 3,75,000   | 2,20,000   |
|            | M/s XYZ  
To Bank  
(Payment of the sum due to landlord) | 2,20,000   | 2,20,000   |
|            | Profit and Loss Account  
To Royalties Account  
(Transfer of Royalties Account to Profit and Loss Account) | 3,75,000   | 3,75,000   |
| 2015, March 31 | Royalties Account  
To M/s XYZ  
To Short-workings Account  
(Royalties @ ₹ 25 per tonne on 20,000 tonne less ₹ 1,44,000, balance in Short-workings account, recouped against amount payable to landlord) | 5,00,000   | 1,40,000   |
<p>|            |                                                     | 3,60,000   |            |</p>
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