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## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES



No. BIH/GLA/BX/221/RRO

318/B, Road No.3 Ashok Nagar, Ranchi – 834 002 TEL:0651-2242903/2242889

Date:03/02/2022

- To,

  (i) Shri K.N. Bhandari,
  Director & Nominated Owner,
  M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd.
  Ahura Centre,1<sup>st</sup> Floor, B-Wing
  Mahakali Caves Road,
  P.O. Andheri (East)
  Mumbai. (Maharashtra)
  PIN 400093.
- (ii) Shri Bijesh Kumar Jha ,Agent of MinesGurdari Bauxite MineM/s Hindalco Industries Ltd.P.O. & Dist. LohardagaPIN- 835302, Jharkhand

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017 in respect of your Gurdari Bauxite Mine over an area of 584.19 hect., Gumla district, Jharkhand state.

Sir.

Shri Raghvendra Kumar, AME, IBM, Ranchi inspected above mine on 13/09/2021 in presence of Shri Sanjay Kumar, Mine Manager and Violation letter number BIH/GLA/BX/221/RRO dated 01/10/2021 was issued for below mentioned rules of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017:

Rule

## Nature of violation

Rule 11(1): No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operations in any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines. The mining operations are not carried out as per approved Review of mining Plan approved vide letter no. RAN/GML/BX/MP-06/2020-21, dated 29/10/2020 to the extent indicated below:-

- A. Exploration:- As per Page 18, para 1.0 (j), of the approved Review of Mining Plan dated 29/10/2020, during 2020-21(as per table) it was proposed to drill 267 (Two Hundred Sixty Seven) vertical coring boreholes at 50mx50m Grid interval. Against that no boreholes have been drilled.
- B. As per Page 56 & 60, para 8.3.1 & 8.3.5 of the approved Review of Mining Plan, it was proposed to backfill 1.39 ha. in Pakrigada-B quarry during 2020-21, but as per proposal backfilling has not been done.
- C. As per condition no. (ix) of approval letter no. RAN/GML/BX/MP-06/2020-21, dated 29/10/2020, the lessee was carry out the test of Recovery factor & Bulk density factor from a NABL approved laboratory within six month and submit the report to Indian Bureau of Mines, Ranchi. However the Recovery factor & Bulk density factor report from a NABL approved laboratory has not been carried out within six month from the date of approval i.e. on or before 29/04/2021 and report have not been submitted till date.



- 2. Your reply vide letter No. HIL/LHD/Gurdari/MCDR-Reply/IBM/317 dated 20/10/2021 has been considered. After examination it has been seen that, reply given for compliance of Rule 11(1) of MCDR, 2017 mentioned at serial no. (A) is not satisfactory. However, it has been found that even after lapse of 45 (Forty Five) days from the issue of violation letter, the violations for the Rule 11(1) of MCDR, 2017 mentioned at serial no. (A) remain to be continued and not rectified. Even Notice of drilling 267 (Two Hundred Sixty Seven) boreholes in Form-I has not been submitted till date to this office.
- 3. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violation constitutes an offence, punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017. The relevant extract of the rule 62 is given below.
- "62 Penalty: Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine which may extend to Five lakh rupees or with both, and in the case of continuing contravention with an additional fine which may extend up to Fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues, after conviction for the first such contravention".
- 4. The mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11(2), if compliance of Rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory.
- 5. You are therefore, directed to show cause within a period of 30 (Thirty) days as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence and/or why mining operations shall not be suspended as per provision of MCDR, 2017.
- 6. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully

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(B.P. Kerketta)

Dy. Controller of Mines

## Copy for information to:

(1) The Controller of Mines (EZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Kolkata

(2) The Director (Mines), Department of Mines and Geology, Govt. of Jharkhand, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Yojna Bhavan, Nepal House Area, Doranda, Ranchi–834 002.

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(B.P. Kerketta)

Dy. Controller of Mines