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Date:

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To Shri. Sadula Viswanatha Reddy, Managing Partner, M/S Kranthi Industries, 1-280,NGO Colony, Banaganapalli, Kurnool District, A.P.

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 (MCDR, 2017) in respect of Nandavaram & Venkatapuram Limestone mine of over an extent of 2.753 ha in Venkatapuram Villages, Banaganapalli Mandal, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh.

Ref: (1) This office violation letter of even number dated 25.11.2021

(2) Your letter No. NIL dated 30.12.2021 and received in this office on 04.02.2022

Sir.

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the MCDR inspection on 28.10.2021 by the undersigned of this office accompanied with Shri C. Suresh, Manager and communicated to you vide this office letter dated 25.11.2021 by giving 45 (Forty five) days time for compliance.

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
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 or prepared and certified in accordance with the system established by the State Government pursuant to the proviso to clause (b) of subsection (2) of section 5 Mining operations are not carried out in accordance with the proposals given in approved Modified Mining Plan vide letter no. AP/KNL/MP/Lst-58/Hyd dated 27.11.2019 to the extent indicated below: (i) It was approved to drill 5 DTH with a total meterage of 75 m in a grid pattern of 50 x 200 m during the year 2019-20 whereas none of the boreholes have been drilled so far.
45 (5) (7)	Discrepancies observed in the Annual return submitted for the year 2020-21 are as below: Part I, Item No.12: In Point No.(i) area exploited and abandoned is mentioned as 0.135 ha where as no such abandoned area is observed in the field. In Point No (iv), area under waste disposal is furnished as 0.088 where as no waste



	that of approved modified mining plan. Part V, Item No.4.2 (B) & Part IV, Item No.2: ROM production is furnished differently in different places.
55(1) (c)(i)	Employment of geologist and mining engineer(1) For the purpose of carrying out reconnaissance, prospecting or mining operations in accordance with these rules,-(c) every holder of a mining lease shall employ, in case of-category 'A' mines having lease area below 25 ha, a Part time mining engineer and a Part time geologist; A Part time mining engineer and a geologist have not been employed as required under the provisions.

02. Your reply submitted vide letter dated 30.12.2021 referred at Sl. No. (ii) is duly considered by this office and found not satisfactory for the following reasons:

- Rule 11(1): It is stated that 5 DTH were drilled with a total meterage of 75 m in a grid pattern of 50x200m during the year 2021-22. However, Form –I and Form –J in respect of five DTH were not submitted to this office.
- Rule 45(7): It is stated that all the discrepancies pointed out in the Annual Return for the year 2020-21 were rectified in the revised return. However, the copy of the revised return has not been submitted to this office.
- Rule 55(1)(C): As you have appointed a part time Geologist, the compliance of violation of the Rule is partly complied. However, total compliance will be considered only after the appointment of a part time mining engineer.
- 03. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitutes an offence punishable under rule 62 of MCDR, 2017. Inability to comply the provision of Rule 11(1) and 45 (5) (7) is liable for suspension of mining operations under rule 11(2) and 45(7) of MCDR, 2017 respectively and non compliance of Rule 55 is also punishable with fine for an amount as specified in Schedule-III of MCDR, 2017 amended in 2021.
- 04. You are, therefore, directed to **Show Cause** within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of issue of this letter, as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence or the mining operations should not be suspended under rule 11(2) and 45(7) of MCDR,2017.
- 05. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully

(Ch. Suseela)

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Junior Mining Geologist

For information and necessary action:

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