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Dated: 17.02.2021

To,
Shri Pankaj Kejriwal, (Nominated Owner),
M/s. Star Cement Limited,
Vill. - Lumshnong, P.O-Khliehriat,
Dist- East Jaintia Hills, Meghalaya-793210.
Email - lumshnong@starcement.co.in

Sub: Violation of the provisions of MCDR, 2017 in respect of your Lumshnong Limestone Mine (38MEG03016) over an area of 70.00 Ha. in Lumshnong village, Taluka- Khliehriat, East Jaintia Hills district of Meghalaya State.

Sir,

The following provision of MCDR, 2017, was found violated in your above mine during the inspection carried out on 09th February 2021 by the undersigned in presence of your mine officials Shri Shri D.V. Ramanayya (Mine Agent) & Shri Sangram Kishore Mallick (Mine Manager).

Rule No.

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 sub section (2) of section 5 or approved by the competent authority of the Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research, in respect of the minerals specified in Part B of the First Schedule to the Act where the Grade of such atomic minerals is equal to or above the threshold value limits declared under Schedule-A of the Concession Mineral Atomic Rules, 2016.

Nature of violation observed

- 1. It was observed during inspection that an overburden dump of approximately 40m x 25m x 15m size exists adjacent to the working quarry, close to borehole BH No-18; however no such proposal has been given in the approved mining plan document.
- 2. It was observed during inspection that the mining benches have been advanced from E436470 to E436330 & N 2783440 to N 2783680 close to boundary pillar 22/63 & 29/63, however no such proposal has been given in the approved mining plan document.
- 3. Configuration, pattern, height & width of existing waste dump are not as per the proposal given in approved development plans and sections. Systematic development of waste dump has not been carried out as per the approved modification of mining plan document.
- 4. As per the approved modification of mining plan document, it has been proposed to produce 2301064 ton, 2500580 ton & 2504760 tons of limestone during 2017-18 to 2019-20. But as per the document verification it was observed that the production is 897192.41 tons, 898721.13 tons & 899772.42 tons respectively, which is about 39%, 36% & 36% of the proposal.
- In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017.
- O3 The mining operations can be suspended under rule 11(2), if compliance of rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory.

You are therefore advised to rectify the above violation immediately and intimate the position to this office within a period of 45 (Forty Five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Vikas Kumar Asst. Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information to –

The Regional Controller of Mines, IBM, Ranchi & IBM, Guwahati

The Director, Directorate of Minerals Resources, Govt. of Meghalaya, Risa Colony, Shillong, Meghalaya-793003

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