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भारत सरकार/ GOVERNMENT OF INDIA खान मंत्रालय/ MINISTRY OF MINES भारतीय खान ब्यूरो/ INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक कार्यालय/ OFFICE OF REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES



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दिनांक/Date: 10/02/2023

सं/No.:KNT/GLB/LST/47/BNG/VOL-II

सेवामें/To,

Shri Joydeep Chatterjee,

Agent & Chief of Special Projects, M/s. Nuvoco Vistas Corporation Limited, RVR Towers, H.No.-6-3-1089/F, Level 4, Rajbhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad-5000 082. joydeep.chatterjee@nuvoco.com

विषय/Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of

your Chittapur Limestone Mine (ML No. 2588) over an area of 796.43 Ha in Rayoor

village, Chittapur Taluk, Kalburgi District, Karnataka state. (MINE CODE: 38KAR10013)

महोदय/Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection carried out by Sri H.M.Shivakumar, Assistant Mining Engineer accompanied by the under signed, in presence of Shri. Ashok Kumar Joshi, Mines Manager, Shri. Vijaya Kumar, Mining Engineer & Shri Manish Kumar Mishra, Geologist on **12/10/2022** and violation letter number **KNT/GLB/LST/47/BNG/VOL-II** dated 21/10/2022 was issued for below mentioned rules of MCDR 2017.

Rule	Nature of violations observed
11 (1)	 The Mining operations are required to be carried out in accordance with the approved Mining Plan document vide letter no. 279/659/99/BNG dated 20/04/2018. However, during the inspection deviations were observed in mining operation vis-à-vis approved document and are as follows: (i) For the period from 2018-19 to 2022-23 -It was proposed for exploration with 96 core boreholes of total 3360 meters. However up to year 2021-2022 only 39 core bore holes are drilled of total 1477 meters. There is a back log of 57 core bore holes and 1883 meters of exploratory drilling from the approved proposals.
11(4)	The mining plan required to be submitted for review at least one hundred and eighty days before the expiry of five years period for which it was approved on the last occasion, for mining operations for a period of five subsequent years is not submitted.

02. Subsequently, the explanations/clarifications given vide your letter no. NVCL/CLM/CORR/160/2022 dated 18/11/2022 has been examined and violations of Rules

45((7) of MCDR, 2017 have been considered for compliance. However the explanations/clarification given w.r.t rule 11(1) part (i) of MCDR 2017 are not found satisfactory due to the following reasons.

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- i) The proposed exploratory drilling planned during the period 2018-19 to 2022-23 has not been carried out in the mine in full and the period is almost come to an end. The work order for carrying out the exploratory drilling stated to have been issued does not cover the complete quantity of drill holes nor the total meterage. Further statement on further proposals of exploration made in the draft RUMP document submitted for the period 2023-24 to 2027-28 to cover the backlog does not hold good as the said document stands withdrawn from your end attracting violation of Rule 11(4) of MCDR, 2017.
- 03. In this connection, it is again brought to your notice that this violation constitutes an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.
- 04. The Mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11(2), if compliance of Rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory
- 05. You are, therefore, directed to show cause within a period of thirty (30) days from the date of issue of this notice, as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above said offence and / or why the mining operation in the mine should not be suspended under Rule 11(2) of MCDR 2017.
- 06. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

भवदीय/Yours faithfully,

Dr. Sudhakara T.L Senior Mining Geologist भारतीयखानब्यूरो/Indian Bureau of Mines

प्रतिलिपिस्चनार्थं/Copy for kind information to:

- 1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
- 2. The Director, Department of Mining & Geology, No.49, Khanija Bhavan, R.C. Road, Bangalore-560 001.

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