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No. AP/KNL/LST-194 /HYD

Sri P.R.Murali Mohan Reddy, C/o Sri.T.Sree Ramulu, Lessee, Nandavarm (V) Banaganapalli (M) Kurnool District.

Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 (MCDR, Sub: 2017) in respect of Nandavarm & Venkatapuram Limestone mine of Sri T. Sreeramulu over an extent of 4.048 ha in Nandavarm & Venkatapuram Villages, Banaganapalli Mandal, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh.

Ref: (1) This office violation letter dated 25.11.2021

(2) Your letter No. NIL dated 25.01.2022

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 accompanied by Shri Narsi Reddy, Lessee's Representative and communicated to you vide this office letter dated 25.11.2021 by giving 45 (Forty five) days time for compliance.

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 sub-section (2) of section 5 Mining operations were not being carried out in accordance with the proposals given in approved Review of Mining Plan vide letter no. AP/KNL/MP/Lst-191/Hyd dated 4.8.2017 to the extent indicated below:  (i) It was approved to drill 6 CBH with a total meterage of 180 m during the year 2017-18 against which no exploration was carried out.  (ii) It was noticed that you have achieved a production of 84,500 tonnes against the proposed production of 25,760 tonnes in the financial year 2017-18.
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 furnished as 2.80 ha where as no such abandoned area is observed in the field.  In Point No (ii) area under current workings is furnished as 0.700 ha whereas as per the updated surface plan, it is 2.894 ha is under current workings.  Part V, Item No.3, Reserves and resources are not in consonance with that of Approved Review of Mining Plan.
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 25.1.2022 referred at Sl. No. (ii) is duly considered by this office and found not satisfactory for the following reasons:

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- Rule 11(1): (i) You have submitted form –I and Form –J in respect of four core bore holes only against the proposal of 6 core bore holes during the year 2017-18.
  - (ii) Your explanation for achieving excess production of 84,500 tonnes against the proposed production of 25,760 tonnes during the financial year 2017-18 due to market demand can not be accepted.
- Rule 45(7): Your request for grant of time for submission of revised return has been considered and advised to submit the revised return at the earliest.
- 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.
- 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.
- 03. 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.
- 04. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully

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(Ch. Suseela) Junior Mining Geologist

## For information and necessary action:

- (1) खान नियंत्रक(द), भारतीय खान ब्यूरो, बंगलूर को प्रतिलिपि सूचनार्थ अग्रेषित।
- The Director of Mines and Geology, Sri Anjaneya Towers, Door No.7-104, B-Block, 5th and 6th Floors, Ibrahimpatnam-521456, Vijayawada, Krishna district..

3 The Assistant Director of Mines and Geology, Banaganapalli, Kurnool district.

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