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File No. AP/VZNR/Mn-4/HYD

Date:

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To

Sri Ashok Konda, Nominated Owner  
M/s S K Sarawagi & Co. Pvt. Ltd.  
Sawargi House, Kaspa Street  
Chipurpalli -535 128  
Vizayanagaram Dist., Andhra Pradesh

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of Saibaba-I Manganese Mine of M/s S K Sarawagi & Co. Pvt. Ltd. Reddy over an extent of 8.656 ha situated in Budarayavalasa Village, Marakapudidam Mandal, Vizianagaram District of Andhra Pradesh State.

Ref: (i) This office letter of even No. dated 12.11.2021  
(ii) Your letter no. nil dated 21.12.2021

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 (MCDR, 2017) were found violated in your above mine during inspection of the mine for processing of Mining Plan on 09.10.2021 by the undersigned accompanied by your Good self and communicated to you on 12.11.2021 by giving 45 (Forty five) days time for rectification of the same.

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
11(1)	<p><i>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</i></p> <p>Mining operations are not being carried out in accordance with the proposals given in approved Modified Mining Plan vide letter no. AP/VZNR/MP/Mn-328/Hyd dated 10.08.2018 to the extent indicated below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>It was approved to carry out exploration by 4 no. of core bore holes for the year 2020-21; against which 3 core bore holes were drilled.</li><li>It was approved to carry out mining operation by maintaining bench height of 6 meters against which bench height of 10 to 12 meters is observed and in sections 4-4' to 5-5' on South-western side of Pit and 8-8' to 10-10' on South-Eastern side of Pit, benches are found collapsed.</li><li>It was approved to excavate about 28,194 cum of waste against which only 9,442 Tonnes of waste was excavated during the year 2020-21. Needs explanation</li></ol>
31(4)	<p><i>The plans and sections required under these rules shall be maintained up to date within three months in case of category 'A' mines as referred to in clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 55, and within twelve months in the case of any other mine.</i></p> <p>Plans and sections are not updated as required under the provision of this rule.</p>

45 (5) (7)	<p>Discrepancies are observed in the Annual returns submitted for the year 2020-21 as below:</p> <p>a. Refer Part-I, Para-12: the details furnished in respect of land put to use is not in consonance with the approved Review of mining Plan: (1) area covered under current O/C working : is furnished as 6.15 Ha against 6.815 Ha (2) Area under Reclaimed &amp; Rehabilitated is furnished as 0.165 Ha, but no such area is reclaimed and rehabilitated in the field (iii) Area under ore/ mineral storage : 0.842 Ha is not furnished</p> <p>b. Part-V, section 3 Reserves furnished in the annual returns is not in consonance with Reserves in the Approved Review of Mining Plan.</p> <p>c. Part-V, Para 4.2(C)(i) : 1,02,321 tonnes of OB is reported as backfilled. It has to be supported by data/ information.</p> <p>d. Ore produced from the lease is being exported, whereas details of the export and F.O.B value is not furnished in Part-VI, para 4.</p>
46	<p>Notice of Termination of earlier Mines Manager Sri J K Mohanty and Geologist Sri V Cheeranjeevi and appointment of new Mines Manager Sri Arun Jyoti and Geologist Sri Koteshwar Rao is not submitted so far to this office.</p>
54	<p>1. The following Registers are supposed to be kept in the mine for verification during inspection but were not shown to the undersigned.</p> <p>i. ROM ore produced from pit ii. Waste generation and Backfilling details iii. Mineral Reject iv. Payment Register, v. Cost of production,</p> <p>In this regard you are advised to furnish the above for verification.</p> <p>2. Manganese ore is stated to be sold to the lessee M/s S.K. Sarawagi &amp; Co. Pvt. Ltd by the way of domestic transfer with less sales price. In this regard, you are advised submit the sale invoices along with the justification.</p>

02. Your reply vide your letter dated 21.12.2021, referred at sl. No.(ii) is considered and found not satisfactory for the following reasons:

Regarding **Rule 11(1)**: Violations are not complied however time bound commitment is made to comply the same by 31.03.2022. In this regard compliance status to be submitted periodically. **Rule 31(4)** : Updated Plans and sections are not submitted so far. **Rule 45(7)**: Discrepancies observed in the Annual returns for the year 2020-21 are not rectified. **Rule 46** : Notice appointment of New Mines Manager & Geologist and termination of earlier Mines Manager & Geologist is not submitted so far. **Rule 54**: Registers as mentioned in the violations are not submitted for verification.

03. It is once again brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under rule 62 of MCDR, 2017. Inability to comply the provision of rule 11(1) and 45(7) of MCDR, 2017 is liable for suspension of Mining operations under rule 11(2) and 45(7)(i) of MCDR 2017

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) of MCDR,2017.

05. Please note that no further notice will be give to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,



(IBRAHIM SHARIEF)  
Deputy Controller of Mines

Copy for information & further necessary action to:

- (1) The Director of Mines and Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
- (2) The Assistant Director of Mines and Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vizianagaram



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