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No.TN/SLM/LST-145.MDS
Mine Code : 38TMN11069

To :
Shri J. Mohan Kumar
N o.2, Yercaud Main Raod,
Hasthampatti,
Salem – 636 007.

Sub: Violation of Provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, in respect of your Devannagoundanur Limestone Mine over an area of 3.455 ha in Devannagoundanur Village, Sankari Taluk, Salem District of Tamilnadu State.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated during the inspection carried by S/Sri Salil Sandip Kujur, DCOM and A.S.Sanjeeva Rao,AMG on 29.01.2019 in respect of your above mine accompanied by you.

Rule No	Nature of Violation observed
11(1)	<p><u>Mining operations under mining lease:</u> 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.</p> <p>(i) It was proposed in the approved Scheme of Mining vide letter no.TN/SLM/Lst/MS-1119.Mds dated.3.7.2014, under yearwise development and production to produce 7842tonnes,8266tonnes and 8021tonnes of ROM during the years 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17. Whereas, the actual production was 9893tonnes ,9982tonnes and 6358 tonnes respectively as reported in the Review of Mining Plan, which is 26% and 20% more than the approved proposals n the years 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively. Thus, the mining operations are contrary to proposals made in the approved document.</p> <p>(ii) Similarly, as per Rule 27(1) of MCDR, 2017, Financial Assurance shall be furnished by the holder of the mining lease for due and proper implementation of the Progressive Mine Closure Plan contained in the Mining Plan and or the Final Mine Closure Plan, as the case may be, which shall be an amount of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three lakh) for category 'A' mines, and Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakh) for category 'B' mines, per hectare of mining lease area put to use for mining and allied activities. Provided that the minimum amount of Financial Assurance to be furnished under sub-rule (1) shall be Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh) for category 'A' mines and Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five lakh) for 'B' mines.</p> <p>Provided that where financial assurance has already been furnished before the commencement of these rules, an amount equal to the difference between the financial assurance due as on the date of notification of these rules and the financial assurance already furnished, shall be furnished to the authorized officer, as the case may be, within a period of ninety days from the date of notification of these rules.</p> <p>You have submitted bank guarantee in respect of your above said mine (category 'B' mine) an amount of Rs. 37,545/- valid upto 31st March, 2019. While getting approval of the scheme of mining vide letter No.TN/SLM/Lst/MS-1119.Mds dt. 3.7.2014 Consequent to notification of MCDR, 2017, you are required to submit the balance amount of Rs. 4,62,455/- within a period of 90 days from the date of notification of these Rules.</p>

	But till date you have not submitted the same. Thus, non-compliance of Rule 27(1) shall attract violation of rule 11(1) of MCDR 2017 as Financial assurance is part of the above mentioned document approved.
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02. 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.

03. You are advised to rectify the above violations immediately and intimate the position to this office within 45 (forty five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

(Salil Sandip Kujur)
Deputy Controller of Mines
for Regional Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for information to :

1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
2. The Commissioner, Department of Geology & Mining, Chennai.

(Salil Sandip Kujur)
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