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To:

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District- Singhbhum West (JHARKHAND)

Sub.: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of “KARAMPADA” Iron Ore Mine over an area of 233.99 Hects. in West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand State.

Sir,

On verification of the office record, the following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine and communicated to you vide this office Regd. A/D letter of even no. dated 22/11/2018 giving you a period of 45 (forty five) days for rectification of the same.

Rule No.	Nature of violation observed in detail
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Rule – 11 (4) The holder of a mining lease shall submit the mining plan to the competent authority 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.

In your case, it has been observed that the mining plan to the competent authority for review has not been submitted.

Rule-27(2): Where financial assurance is required to be furnished by the holder of the mining lease under sub-rule (1), such amount of financial assurance shall be submitted to the authorised officer, as the case may be, in the form of a bank guarantee in the format specified by the Indian Bureau of Mines:

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.

In your case, it has been observed that no such difference amount of Financial Assurance has been submitted to this office as per statute.

02. It has been found that you have responded to the violation letter vide your correspondence no. NIL dated 14/12/2018. The reply submitted by you was duly examined and it was found to be unsatisfactory for compliance of Rule 27(2). Therefore, the violation of above Rule 27(2) of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 still stands violated.

03. In this connection it is again brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule-62 of MCDR-2017. The relevant extract of the rule 62 is given below:

“62 Penalty: - Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both, and in the case of a continuing contravention, with additional fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues after conviction for the first such contravention.”

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 and /or mining operations should not be suspended for the above offence.

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

Yours faithfully

Sd/-
(Anupam Nandi)
Regional Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information to:

1. **The Director (Mines)**, Govt. of Jharkhand, 3rd Floor, Yojna Bhawan, Jharkhand Mantralaya, Nepal House Area, Doranda, Ranchi – 834002.
2. **The Controller of Mines (EZ)**, Indian Bureau of Mines, Block-CP, Plot no.-13, Salt Lake, Sector-V, Kolkata- 700091.

Sd/-
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