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C-4-A, Rajaji Bhawan, C.G.O Complex,
Besant Nagar, Chennai – 600 090.
Dt. 16.03.2021

To,

The Agent (Mines)
Ottakovil Limestone Mine
M/s UltraTech Cement Limited
Reddipalayam Cement Works
Reddipalayam Post
Ariyalur District
Tamil Nadu, PIN – 621731

Mine code – 38TMN38043

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR 2017 in respect of your Ottakovil Limestone Mine over an area of 54.68 Ha in Ottakovil Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District.

Sir,

The following provision of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, was found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 17/11/2020 by the undersigned in the presence of Mr Anand Kumar R S (Mine Manager) & Mr G Srithar (Geologist) & the same was communicated to you vide Violation Letter of even number dated 12.01.2020:

Rule	Nature of Violation Observed	Reply received on 08.02.2021	Remarks
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. a) <i>The number of saplings planted during the year 2019-20 is less than that proposed in the approved plan.</i>	<i>As per proposal green belt will be developed all along the mine periphery & safety zone area. We have already planted 1200 nos. of sapling. We will further do the plantation as per the Mining Plan.</i> Photograph Attached	Not complied, as the total number of saplings actually planted against the year 2019-20 is still less than their total number proposed to be planted in the approved plan (i.e. 2825 nos.)

02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservations and Development Rules, 2017.

03. The mining operation can be suspended under Rule 11(2), if the compliance of the rule is not found satisfactory.

04. You are, therefore, directed to show cause within a period of 30 days from the date of issue of this letter, as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offences.

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

Yours faithfully,

(Matiul Islam)
Assistant Controller of Mines

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2. The Commissioner, Department of Geology & Mining, Chennai.
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(Matiul Islam)
Assistant Controller of Mines