Government of India Ministry of Mines Indian Bureau of Mines Office of the Regional Controller of Mines, Jabalpur

File No.: M.P/BGT/MN-66/NGP Mine Code -40MPR01064 (11) Jabalpur, Dated: 23.03.2022 412 To,

> Shri Pradyuman Kumar Trivedi, Katangjhari Manganese Mine (5.26 Hect.) M/s J K Minerals, P.O. Box no -1, Main Road, Balaghat, Distt - Balaghat, M.P. - 481001 Email - pradyuman@hotmail.com

Subject: Violation of provisions of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Katangjhari Manganese Ore Mine (5.26 Hect.) in Balaghat district of M.P. State -reg.

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The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mentioned mine during the inspection undertaken by Shri Abhishek Ranjan Gautam, Assistant Mining Engineer on 09.03.2022 in presence of Shri Devendra Trivedi, Lessee Representative Shri J P Yadav, Manager and Shri Raghunath Gupta, Surveyor as under-:

निथम स.	<u>पाए गए उल्लंघन की विस्तुत प्रकृति</u>
Rule 11 (1)	According to this rule-No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operation 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 Govt. pursuant to the provisions to clause (b) of Sub Section (2) of Section 5 or approved by the competent authority of the Atomic Minerals Directorate for exploration and Researching respect of minerals specified in Part B of the First Schedule of the Act where the grade of such atomic minerals is equal to or above the threshold value limit declared under schedule-A of the Atomic Mineral Concession Rules 2016.
	The Review of Mining Plan of above mentioned mine was approved vide this office letter No-MP/BALAGHAT/MANGANESE/RMP-29/2018-19 dated 05.11.2018 incorporating the proposals of working from 2018-19 to 2022-23. During the inspection it was found that following provisions of rule have been violated.
	 It was proposed to remove 3913 cubic meter of Over Burden in the year 2020- 21 but only 1581 cubic meters Over Burden removed as per office record. The mine development was lagging from the approved proposal. In the year 2018-19, there was a proposal of 05 nos of core boreholes but during the inspection it was found that only 03 nos of core boreholes have been done. Bench parameters are not maintained as per proposal, as high wall is created. As per approved proposals, Backfilling was not done in 7.5m barrier zone.
Rule 26(2)	The holder of mining lease shall submit a yearly report as per the format specified before 1st July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative work carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan, and if there is any deviation, reason thereof
	Lessee has not submitted annual PMCP report for the reporting year (2020-21).
Rule 27	<i>Financial assurance:</i> (1) MCDR 2017 has been amended vide Gazettes notification dated 03/11/2021 wherein a 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 or the final mine closure plan, as the case may be, which shall be an amount of five lakh rupees for category 'A' mines and three lakh rupees for category 'B' mines, per hectare of the mining lease area put to use for mining and allied activities:
	But you have not yet submitted the enhanced Bank Guarantee in this office.

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Rule 55 Employment of geologists and mining engineers. -(1) For the purpose of carrying out reconnaissance, prospecting or mining operations in accordance with these rules, – (a) every holder of reconnaissance permit shall employ a whole-time geologist; (b) every holder of prospecting licence or a prospecting license-cum-mining lease shall employ a whole-time geologist and a part-time mining engineer; (c) every holder of a mining lease shall employ, in case ofcategory 'A' mines, a whole-time mining engineer and a geologist; (i) category 'B' mines, a part-time mining engineer and a part-time geologist: (b) Provided that in the case of fully mechanised category 'A' mines, the mining engineers and geologists shall have minimum five years of professional experience of working in a supervisory capacity in the field of mining: The Mining Engineer and Geologist have not been appointed. Violation of this rule has been prescribed with penalty of Rs 500000/- under schedule -III.

- 01. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR-2017.
- 02. Non-compliance of the rule 11(1) of MCDR-2017 may lead to suspension of Mining operations under the provisions of rule 11(2) of MCDR-2017.
- You are advised to rectify the above violations immediately and intimate the position to this 03 office within 45 (Forty-Five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

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प्रतिलिपि प्रेषित : :

01. The Director of Geology & Mining, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Khanij Bhavan, 29-A, Arera Hills, Bhopal(M.P.) for information and further necessary action. 02. The District Collector, Balaghat (M.P.) for information.

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