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File No-AP/KNL/Fe-71/Hyd

Dated:26.03.2019

To,

Sri Vishwanath Balkishan,

M/s Gutupalli Mining Company,

Gutupalli Iron Ore Mine (19.94 Ha),

Plot No-50, 51 Avanthi Enclave,

Madinaguda, Miyapur, Sherlingapally

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules- 2017 in respect of your Gutupalli Iron Ore Mine over an extent of 19.94 Ha in Survey No.716/P, Gutupalli Village, Bethamcherla Taluk, Kurnool Dist, Andhra Pradesh.

Sir,

The following provisions of the MCDR, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 18.02.2019 by the undersigned in presence of your good self and also during processing of the review of mining plan document submitted for the plan period 2019-20 to 2023-24-

Rule No	Rule Position	Nature of Violations observed									
Rule No-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 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.	<p>However it has been noted that the review of mining Plan approved vide letter No AP/KNL/MP/Fe-21/Hyd dated 28.05.2015 was approved without prejudice to any other law applicable to mining lease area from time to time made by Central Government or the State Government.</p> <p>a) It was proposed to carry out exploration by drilling ten (10) nos core bore holes each of 20m depth each during the year 2016-17, but during inspection it was observed that no such core bore holes were drilled.</p> <p>b) Construction of the parapet wall/retaining wall and garland drain had been proposed year wise from 2016-17 to 2018-19 as per the table given below, but the same has not been constructed.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Parapet wall/ Retaining wall</th> <th>Garland Drain</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2017-18</td> <td>48m X 1.5m X 1m</td> <td>53m X 1 m X 1m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2018-19</td> <td>133m X 1.5m X 1m</td> <td>137m X 1m X 1m</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>From the above it is evident that you have not carried out the mining operations systematically and scientifically following with the review of mining plan approved by Indian Bureau of Mines.</p>	Year	Parapet wall/ Retaining wall	Garland Drain	2017-18	48m X 1.5m X 1m	53m X 1 m X 1m	2018-19	133m X 1.5m X 1m	137m X 1m X 1m
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26	<p>1) The holder of a mining lease shall have the responsibility to ensure that the protective measures including reclamation and rehabilitation works have been carried out in accordance with the approved mine closure plan or with such modifications as approved by the competent authority.</p> <p>2) The holder of mining lease shall submit to the competent authority a yearly report as per the format specified by the Indian Bureau of Mines, before 1st day of July every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative</p>	<p>It was proposed to carry out environmental monitoring of core zone and buffer zone but the same has not been done and reports have not been submitted.</p> <p>You have not submitted the competent authority a yearly report as per the format specified by the Indian Bureau of Mines for the year 2017-18, setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan.</p>									

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45(7)	<p>If it is found that the holder of a mining lease or the person or company engaged in trading or storage or end-use or export of minerals, as the case may be, has submitted incomplete or wrong or false information in daily or monthly or annual returns or fails to submit a return within the date specified; then,-</p> <p>(a) in the case of mining of minerals by the holder of a mining lease, the Regional Controller of Mines may advise the State Government to,-</p> <p>(i) order suspension of all mining operations in the mine and to revoke the order of suspension only after ensuring proper compliance;</p> <p>(ii) take action to initiate prosecution under these rules;</p> <p>(iii) recommend termination of the mining lease, in case such suppression or misrepresentation of information indicates abetment or connivance of illegal mining.</p>	<p>On verification of annual return for 2017-18, following discrepancies have been observed -</p> <p>Under part-I the Lease area utilisation under roads is shown as Nil which be corrected.</p> <p>Under Part - IV (Consumption of Explosives) no information has been furnished where as drilling and blasting operation is being carried out in the mine.</p> <p>Under Part V, Section 3 for Reserves and Resources estimated at the end of the year is not matching while subtracting the production from the reserves/resources (As on 01.04.2015) approved in the scheme of mining for the proposal period 2015-16 to 2018-19. The deviation observed be clarified.</p>
55(1) (3)(iv)	<p>For the purpose of carrying out reconnaissance, prospecting or mining operations in accordance with these rules, every holder of a mining lease shall employ, in case of category 'B' mines, a part-time mining engineer and a part-time geologist.</p>	<p>During scrutiny of this office records it was observed that part-time Mining Engineer and Part time Geologist have not been appointed as per rule.</p>

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. 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

(Subrata Kumar Muduli),
Junior Mining Geologist

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2. The Director, Department of Mines & Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Kurnool, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(सु ब् रत कु मार मु दु ली),
कनष् ठ खनन भू वज्जि जानी