

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

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To.

Sh. K. C. Jhanwar, Nominated Owner and Dy. MD & CMO, M/s Ultratech Cement Limited Ahire Centre, "A" wing, 1st Floor, Mahakali Caves Road, Andheri (E) Mumbai (Maharastra)—400093

To,

Argat Limestone Mine (363.07 Ha), M/s Ultratech Cement Limited Jaypee Vihar, P.O.- Bharatpur, District- Sidhi (M.P.)- 486776

Subject: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, in respect to Inspection of Argat Limestone Mine (363.07 Ha), M/s Ultratech Cement Ltd, Mine code 38MPR35351 at Jaypee Vihar, P.O.- Bharatpur, District- Sidhi (M.P.)- 486776

Sir.

Undersigned has inspected your mine in the presence of Sh P. K. Upadhyay (Agent), Sh. S. N. Tiwari (Mine Manager), Shri Mukesh Kumar (Mining Engineer), Sh. Amit Ku Mishara (Mine Geologist) and Mine Surveyor on 21/11/2019. Following provisions of MCDR 2017 were found violated in your mines during inspection.

Rule No

Nature of violation observed in detail

Rule 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 or approved by the competent authority of the Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research, in respect of minerals specified in Part B of the First Schedule to the Act where the grade of such atomic minerals is equal to or above the threshold value limits declared under Schedule-A of the Atomic Minerals Concession Rules, 2016.

The document of above mentioned mine was approved vide letter No.-MP/Satna/Limestone/M.Sch-38/15-16/1169 dated 06/04/2016 incorporating proposal of working from 2016-17 to 2020-21.

During inspection it has been observed that the following provisions of the rule have been violated:-

- a) It was proposed to drill 17 nos. of exploratory bore holes in the grid interval of 200 m x200 m in the year 2018-19. It was observed during inspection that no exploratory drilling has been done in the year 2018-19 as per approved proposals.
- b) It was proposed to develop one pit between the grid coordinates 522957 E to 523181E & 2686159 N to 2686401 N. But, it was observed during inspection that no development has been done in the year 2018-19 as per approved proposals.
- c) It was proposed to remove 750 m3 top soil and 144976 m3 quantity of overburden for development of mine in the year 2018-19. But, it was observed during inspection that no top siol and overburden was removed for development of mine in the year 2018-19. The minedevelopment was lagging from the proposal and not as per the approved proposals of approved document.

Rule 26(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 works carried out as envisage in the approved mine closure plan, and if there is any deviation, reasons thereof:

During scrutiny of the office records, it has been observed that the yearly report in respect of rule 26(2) of MCDR 2017 has not been submitted for the year 2018-19

Rule 33 Copies of plans and sections to be submitted - The holder of mining lease shall on or before the 30th day of the June every year submit to the authorized officer, as the case may be, and the State Govt. a digital copy along with a print copy of the surface geological plans and sections maintained under rule 32.

During scrutiny of office records, it has been orbserved that no such copies plans and sections have been submitted by lessee at this office.

45(5)(b) The holder of a mining lease shall submit online returns in respect of each mine to the Regional Controller or any other authorized official of the Indian Bureau of Mines in the following manner

(b) A monthly return which shall be submitted before the tenth of the day of every month in respect of the preceding month in electronic form along with the signed print copy of the same if it is not digitally signed, in the prescribed form.

During the scrutiny of office records, it has been observed that the monthly returns and annual returns have not been filed in the electronic form by lessee in the last review period.

- 1. 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.
- 2. The mining operations can be suspended under the rule 11(2) of MCDR-2017, if compliance of rule 11(1) of MCDR-2017 is not found satisfactory.
- 3. You are advised to rectify the violations of abovementioned rules immediately and intimate the position to this 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, Satna (M.P.) for information.

भारतीय खान ब्यूरो

प्रतिलिपि प्रेषित:

खान नियंत्रक (मध्य), भारतीय खान ब्यूरो, नागपुर को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।