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Dated: 21 .08.2019

To,
Smt. S.Kalavathama, Lessee
Venkatapuram Limestone Mine,
H.No-6/4, Khothapeta,
Palkur Village,
Banaganapalli Mandal,
Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh.

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of Venkatapuram Limestone Mine over an extent of 4.99 Ha in Venkatapuram Villages, Banaganapalli Mandal, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules 2017 (MCDR, 2017), were found violated in your above mine based on mine inspection by the undersigned on 04.07.2019 in presence of Lessee's representative Sri K.Viswanath Reddy, Sri Lokesh.

Rule No	Rule Position	Nature of Violations observed
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.	The lease deed of the mining lease has been executed on 21.03.2017 and the mine was opened on 25.01.2018. Mining Plan has been approved vide AP/KNL/MP/LST-138/HYD dated 13.01.2015, where in it was approved- i) To dig ten nos of trial pits in the first year, but during inspection it has been observed that no such exploration by digging trial pits has been carried out as proposed. ii) To plant 200 nos sapplings in 0.02 Ha area for each year during the first three years i.e upto 2018-19, but during inspection no plantation has been found to be carried out as proposed.
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 envisaged in the approved mine closure plan, and if there is any deviation, reasons thereof.	The yearly report setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out within the mine has not been submitted to this office for 2018-19.
31(4)	The plans and sections required under these rules shall be maintained up to date within three months in case of Category 'A' mines as referred to in clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 55, and within twelve months in the case of any other mine.	The plans and sections required under these rules has not been maintained up to date as on 30.06.2019.

33	The holder of a mining lease shall, on or before the 30th day of June every year submit to the authorised officer, as the case may be, and the State Government, a digital copy along with a print copy of the surface geological plans and sections maintained under rule 32.	The digital copy along with a print copy of the surface geological plans and sections maintained under rule 32 has not been submitted.
36(3)	Whenever the top soil is unable to be utilised concurrently, it shall be stored separately for future use.	During inspection it was observed that top soil has been produced but no register with regard to that has been maintained. Top soil has not been stored at one place rather dumped in the scattered manner within the lease.
45(5)(c)	The holder of a mining lease shall submit online returns in respect of each mine to the Regional Controller or any other authorised official of the Indian Bureau of Mines in the following manner, namely an annual return which shall be submitted before the 1st day of July each year for the preceding financial year in electronic form, along with a signed print copy of the same if it is not digitally signed, in the respective Form.	The Annual Returns for the year 2017-18 and 2018-19 have not been submitted.
54	The holder of a mining lease or a holder of a prospecting licence or prospecting license cum mining lease shall maintain the labour attendance register, production and dispatch register, royalty assessment register.	During inspection it has been observed that the "production and dispatch register" has not been maintained in hard bound copy.
55(1)3.(iii)	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 'A' mines, a whole-time mining engineer and a geologist.	During inspection it was observed that a whole time Mining Engineer and a Geologist have not been appointed.

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.

(सुब्रत कुमार मुदुली),
कनिष्ठ खनन भूविज्ञानी