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Show-cause Notice



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No: KNT/BLR/FE/460/BNG

Dated: 11/03/2020

To,
Mr. K.R Kaviraj
Proprietor
M/s Lakshmi Minerals
No.601, 7th Main
Near Balanjaneya Temple
M.J Nagar, Hospete-583201,
Bellary District
Karnataka.

Sub : Violation of provisions of MCDR 2017 in respect of your Venkatagiri Iron Ore Mine, ML 2551(21.73 Ha) near Venkatagiri Village, Sandur Taluk, Bellari district, Karnataka state.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated during inspection in your above mine on 16/01/2020 by the undersigned in presence of Shri. R. Sathyanarayana Mines Manager, Shri. Venkatesh Raju-Mine Agent and other Mine officials. The same was communicated to you vide this office letter of even no. dated 23/01/2020 giving you a period of 45 (forty five) days time for rectification of the same.

Rules	Nature of Violations observed
29	The mine was under temporary discontinuance w.e.f. 12.3.2019. It was found during inspection that mine is under operation from Nov'19 but intimation of reopening of mine after temporary discontinuance as per the provision of this rule has not been submitted.
45(5)	Part-V: 1. The mineral Reserves reported as 251522 tons and resources as 0 tons in AR 2018-19 are not correct. The Mineral Reserves are 1.53 million tonnes and Resources are 0.733 million tonnes as on 1.04.2018 for +45 % Fe Iron ore, as per the last approved modified RMP. No Exploration was proposed for the year 2018-19. Hence under proved mineral reserves (111) category the production quantity of 23900 tons for the year 2018-19 should be deducted. The reserves & resources under all other categories will be same as on 1.04.2018 as shown in last approved

	<p>modified RMP.</p> <p>2. Total ROM ore production is reported as 65896 tons and quantity of overburden is not mentioned in V (4) which is incorrect.</p> <p>3. Mineral reject quantity is incorrectly reported as 0 tonnes. The quantity of generated BHQ (siliceous ore) that is stacked separately in BHQ /SG dump for the year 2018-19 is to be reported here.</p> <p>Part-VII: Royalty, DMF & NMET cost is not included in cost of production. Also in Part-III (2) Royalty cost is not reported in AR 2018-19.</p>
55	No Mining Engineer and Geologist having minimum 5 years of professional experience of working in a supervisory capacity of field of mining are appointed.

02. Subsequently, the explanations/clarifications given vide your letter no. LM/VIOM/IBM/2019-20/84 dated 04/03/2020 has been examined. The explanations/clarification given w.r.t rule 29, 45(5) & 55 of MCDR 2017 are not found satisfactory due to the following reasons.

- i) You have not submitted intimation of reopening of mine in Form-“C” after temporary discontinuance as per provision of Rule 29 of MCDR 2017.
- ii) The Annual Return 2018-19 for Part-V and Part-VII has not been rectified even after refer back.
- iii) The notice of appointment of Mining Engineer and Geologist has not been sent to this office in Form-“H” (under rule 46 of MCDR 2017) in compliance of Rule 55.

03. It is again brought to your notice that this violation constitutes an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.

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

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

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Kumar Singh)
Assistant Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information:--

1) The Director, Dept. of Mines & Geology, 49, Khanij Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore-560 001

2) The COM (SZ), IBM, Bangalore.

(Sandeep Kumar Singh)
Assistant Controller of Mines