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No. KNT/CTD/Fe-04/BNG/Vol-III/

To, Shri M Krishna Reddy, Agent, M/s Vedanta Ltd; Megalahalli Office Complex, PO-Bheemsandra Chitradurga - 583203

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Subject: Inspection of A. Narrain Iron Ore Mine (ML~2677) over an extent of 160.59Hect. in Chitradurga District of Karnataka State ... reg.

Dear Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation & Development Rules 1988 were found violated in above mine during the inspection conducted by the undersigned in presence of you and Mr. Jiwandas L Hedau, Mines Manager on dated 26.02.2016.

Scheme of Mining was approved vide letter No. KNT/CTD/MP/Fe-263-SZ/095 dated
21.11.2012. The deviations observed in mining operations vis-a-vis approved
document are given below:-
(i) In South Block, development work is carried out in 08 benches only (905mRL to
856mRL) against the proposals of 10 benches (905mRL to 835mRL) in sections
1A-5A And 05 benches only (912mRL to 877mRL) in sections 7-13 against the
proposals of 15 benches (898mRL to 793mRL) in sections 6-14.
(ii) Stripping ratio is distorted to 1:1.06 from the proposals of 1:1.72.
(iii) OB Dumping is being carried out at D3 dump instead of proposed D4.
(iv) The environment data's being monitored on quarterly basis are not maintained in a bound paged register.
Updated plan & sections are not submitted to IBM as required under rule.
In annual return, incorrect reserves figures are furnished.
The core samples of recent exploration have not been found preserved properly. A core library is to be maintained in core boxes in serial order with identification marks and other details to preserve the cores systematically.

- 02. It is also noticed that on renewal of ML, the ML area has been reduced from 163.50 hectares to 160.59 hectares and the Mining Plan was approved for an extent of 161.54 hect. (CEC surveyed area under rule 24A of MCR). In view of this, you are hereby advised to submit the modifications to the approved mining plan under rule 22(6) of MCR-1960.
- 03. Further, In this connection, it is to bring to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 58 of MCDR 1988. Further, the violation of Rule 13(1) of MCDR may also attract provision of Rule 13(2) of MCDR 1988 regarding suspension of mining operations till the compliance of the violations.
- 04. You are advised to rectify the above violation immediately and intimate the position to this office within 45 (forty five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(**Pukhraj Nenival**) Dy. Controller of Mines

Copy for kind information to:

- 1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), IBM, Bangalore.
- 2. The Director, Dept. of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka, Khanij Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore 560 001.

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