GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES

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To:

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Sub.: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of "GORGAON" Limestone Mine (area-228.46 Hects.) of M/s Steel Authority of India Limited in Garhwa district, Jharkhand State.

Sir,

On verification of the office record, the following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 amended vide notification no. G.S.R. 289(E) dated 27th March, 2018, published in the Gazette of India , Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) dated 27th March, 2018, have been found violated in your above mine.

Rule No.Nature of violation observed in detail

12 (4A) In case of mining leases covered under sub-section (6) of section 8A of the Act where the date of expiry of the period of such lease is on 31st March, 2020, the holders of such mining lease shall carry out General Exploration (G2) over the entire mineralised area under the mining lease before the 1st day of April, 2019 and for this purpose,–

(a) submit to State Government and the Indian Bureau of Mines, within forty five days of issue of this notification, a modified mining plan in accordance with the provisions of the Minerals (Other than Atomic and Hydro Carbons Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016 for completion of General Exploration (G2) over the entire mineralised area under the mining lease as required under clause (a) of rule 5 of the Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015, in such manner that the plan for exploration is completed before 1st April, 2019, and such plan shall be approved by the Indian Bureau of Mines within thirty days of its submission, with or without any modification;

(b) prepare and submit to the State Government and the Indian Bureau of Mines, a Geological Study Report as required under clause (b) of rule 5 of the Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015, within one month after completion of exploration work:

In your case, it has been observed that no modified mining plan has been submitted to this office as per statute.

02. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule-62 of MCDR-2017. The relevant extract of the rule 62 is given below:

"62 Penalty: - Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both, and in the case of a continuing contravention, with additional fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues after conviction for the first such contravention.

03. You are, therefore, 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

-Sd/-(Anupam Nandi) Regional Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information to:

- 1. **The Director (Mines),** Govt. of Jharkhand, 3rd Floor, Yojna Bhawan, Jharkhand Mantralaya, Nepal House Area, Doranda, Ranchi 834002.
- 2. The Controller of Mines (EZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Block-CP, Plot no.-13, Salt Lake, Sector-V, Kolkata- 700091.

-Sd/-(Anupam Nandi) Regional Controller of Mines