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Office of the Regional Controller of Mines, Jabalpur**

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Date: 18/10/2019

To,

- 7210**
- 1) SHRI ADITYA SARDA,  
DIRECTOR & NOMINATED OWNER  
M/S CHHINDWARA MINES PVT. LTD.,  
L,1/9, HAUZ KHAS ENCLAVE  
NEW DELHI, 110016
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**Subject: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, in respect to Gowari Wadhona Mn Ore Mine (8.776 Ha), Village-Gowari Wadhona, Tehsil-Sausar, District-Chhindwara (M.P.).**

Sir/Madam,

Undersigned has inspected your mine in the presence of re-representative of lessee, Mines officials and QP on 16/09/2019. Following provisions of MCDR 2017 were found violated in your mines at the time of inspection.

Rule No	Nature of violation observed in detail
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**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 Scheme of Mining Plan of above mentioned mine was approved vide letter No.-CHW/MN/MPLN-951/NGP dated 18/02/2014 incorporating proposal of working from 2013-14 to 2017-18.

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

- As per abovementioned approved document, separate benches of less than 6m height shall be maintained in the mine and bench widths at the mine shall not be less than the height of the benches at any place. But, during inspection it was found that in the southern side of the lease benches have been merged up some places between BP no. 03 to BP no. 04 resulting height of the benches found more than the proposed in approved document. And, it was also observed that at some places in the southern side between BP no. 03 to BP no. 05 width of the benches found very less than the height of the benches.
- Extension of pit/ benches was extended beyond the 7.5-meter statutory barrier zone, near to the BP01, BP 03, BP 04 and BP 05 in the southern & western side (which was not proposed in the approved document).
- The OB/waste dump found dumped in 7.5m barrier zone in the northern side and eastern part of the lease (which was not proposed in the approved document).
- It has been observed that the mine is found in operation without having any approved document which may lead for suspension of mining operations under the rule 11(2) of MCDR-2017.
- During the inspection and verification of the online returns, it was observed that in the year of 2018-19, as per online submitted annual return ROM produced from Open Cast Workings is 6265.77 tonnes, as against the proposal of NIL (lapse period).

Year	Proposal	Achievement
2018-19	NIL tonnes	6265.77 tonnes
Difference of excess production		6265.77 tonnes

**Rule 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.

During inspection it has been observed that the plans and sections have not been up to dated as per provisions of the rules.

**Rule 33** Copies of plans and sections to be submitted - The holder of mining lease shall on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

As per records plans and sections have not been submitted by lessee at this office till date.

**Rule 45(7)** If it is found that the holder of a mining lease or the person or company engaged in trading or storage or end-use or export of minerals, as the case may be, has submitted incomplete or wrong or false information in daily or monthly or annual returns or fails to submit a return within the date specified; then:-

(a) in the case of mining of minerals by the holder of a mining lease, the Regional Controller of Mines may advise the State Government to,-

(i) Order suspension of all mining operations in the mine and to revoke the order of suspension only after ensuring proper compliance;

(ii) Take action to initiate prosecution under these rules;

(iii) Recommend termination of the mining lease, in case such suppression or misrepresentation of information indicates abetment or connivance of illegal mining;

During the scrutiny of annual return of 2018-19, it has been observed that the Production has done in the year 2018-19 without approved document.

Production data filled in Part VI (1) for Mn ore is 6265.77 tonnes & Grade-wise production of Mn ore in Part VI (2) is 3850 tonnes, which are not matching. Manganese ore data filled in the returns are wrong and misleading for the financial year 2018-19.

(b) Refer monthly returns submitted from Apr-18 to Mar-19:

	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	TOTAL
Production shown in Part II (1)(a)	277.77	393	460	690	450	525	300	200	260	250	1230	1230	6265.77
Grade wise production shown in Part II (2)													
(a) Below 25% Mn	0	0	0	100	400	300	100	100	50	27.3	200	190	1467.3
(b) 25% to below 35% Mn	0	30	50	0	0	70	80	25	25	13.69	35	50	378.69
(c) 35% to below 46% Mn	250	245	380	450	50	50	50	0	100	82.304	150	245	2052.304
(d) 46% Mn and above	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.13	0	0	5.13
(e) Dioxide Ore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(f) Concentrates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	250	275	430	550	450	420	230	125	175	128.424	385	485	3903.42

During the scrutiny of monthly returns of financial year 2018-19, it has been observed that Production data filled in Part II (1) of monthly returns are 6265.77 Tonnes & Grade-wise production shown in Part II (2) are 3903.42, which is not matching in. Manganese ore data filled in the monthly returns are wrong and misleading for the financial year 2018-19.

1. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservation 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.
4. 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.

भवदीय,

*(नरेश कुमार कटारिया)*  
उप खान नियंत्रक  
भारतीय खान ब्यूरो

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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, **Chhindwara** (M.P.) for information.

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खान नियंत्रक (उप), भारतीय खान ब्यूरो, नागपुर को सूचनाार्थ प्रेषित।

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