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**Dated: 25/01/2018**

To,  
Shri. Kashinath.G.Bolishetty (Mine Owner),  
M/s. Laxmi Minerals,  
At & Post Lokapur,  
Mudhol taluk, Bagalkot District,  
Karnataka – 587 122.

**Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of Lokapur Limestone Mine (ML-2476) over an extent of 2.85 Hectares situated in Lokapur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District of Karnataka State - Reg.**

Sir,

The following provision of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 was found violated during the inspection of your above mine on 09.01.2018 by the undersigned.

11 (1)	<p>Mining operations in the lease area are not carried out as per the last approved Mining Scheme. The following deviation is observed during inspection,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>There is no proposal to produce to limestone in between section line A-A' to B-B' during the scheme period. But, on the day of inspection, it was observed, that the operation was going in in between section line A-A' to B-B' and depth also extended for further 3m.</li><li>During inspection it was noticed that ROM has been stacked outside the lease boundary nearer to Office building and adjoining lease also.</li><li>There is no proposal to stock ROM in the lease area, but it was noticed all along 7.5m safety barrier, ROM stock are present.</li><li>It is proposed in Para 4.0 &amp; plate-6 to keep all the benches of height at 3m each, whereas in the field it is observed to be more than the proposed height.</li><li>It is proposed to keep the waste quantity in dumps, whereas actually all the rejected quantity are blended with high grade and sold.</li><li>It was proposed in the Mining Scheme to carry out development and production through manual means, without the machineries. But, it was observed that the mining operation was undertaken using excavator for excavating and loading the ROM. Same has been mentioned in Annual returns 2016-2017.</li></ol>
26(2)	<p>A yearly report before 1<sup>st</sup> July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitation work carried out as envisaged in the approved progressive mine closure plan has not been submitted for last year 2016-2017.</p>
27 (1)	<p>A financial assurance shall be furnished by the holder of the mining lease, for due and proper implementation of the progressive mine closure plan contained in the mining plan or the final mine closure plan, as the case may be, which shall be an amount of three lakh rupees for Category 'A' mines and two lakh rupees for Category 'B' mines, per hectare of the mining lease area put to use for mining and allied activities:</p> <p>Provided that the minimum amount of financial assurance to be furnished under sub-rule (1), shall be ten lakh rupees for Category 'A' mines and five lakh rupees for Category 'B' mines:</p>

27 (2)	where financial assurance has already been furnished before the commencement of these rules, an amount equal to the difference between the financial assurance due as on the date of notification of these rules and the financial assurance already furnished, shall be furnished to the authorised officer, as the case may be within a period of ninety days from the date of notification of these rules
33	The plans & sections prepared under rule 33 for the year 2016-2017 have not been submitted on or before 30th June 2017.
46(a)	Notice of appointment of Mines manager has not been received in Form- H within 15 days from the date of such appointment.
55(1)(3)(iv)	The mine is being operated without employing the part time or full time Mining Geologist or Mining Engineer required under the provision this rule.
67	Obligation to supply other information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Self-Appraisal Report to be submitted by owner of the mine under Rule 67 of MCDR, 2017 stating extent of implementation of Approved Mining Plan/ Scheme of Mining during the year 2016 – 2017 along with supporting plans &amp; sections representative photographs in hard as well as soft copy.</li> </ul>

2. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violation constitutes an offence, punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.
3. The mining operations can be suspended under rule 11(2), if compliance of rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory.
4. You are advised to rectify the violation immediately and intimate the position to this office with in a period of 45 (Forty Five) Days from date of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

(G.S.Kannan)  
Junior Mining Geologist

Copy forwarded for information to: -

1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
2. The Director, DMG, 49, Khanji Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore- 560 001, Karnataka.
3. Mine File

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