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To, The General Manager(DIOM) Donimalai Iron Ore Mine Donimalai Township-583118 Dist; Bellary, Karnataka

Subject:- Violation of provisions of MCDR 2017 in respect of Donimalai Iron Ore Mine (M.L. No. 2396(608-ha) of M/s NMDC Ltd., over an extent of 608 ha in Donimalai Village, Sandur Taluk, Bellari district, Karnataka State...Reg.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 5/9/2017 by the undersigned in the presence of Mines Manager Shri S.K. Jain.

Rule It was proposed in approved Modification & Review of Mining Plan approved vide letter 11(1 No. 279/34/88/BNG dated 16/5/2017 for the period 2017-18 to 2019-20. The deviations observed in mining operations vis-a-vis approved document are given below:

(i). It was proposed in the approved document, that the following pits will be undertaken for mining operation during the year 2017-18,(i.e. SB, BMMX, 2W, 2E, 3W,& 3E), respectively.

But during the field visit on 5/9/2017, it was observed that, the mining operations were in progress and working in SB, and not working in BMMX pit as proposed.

On the **northern block**, working 3W, 3E, 2W & 2E pits, in a **selective manner**, leaving the BHQ/BHJ barrier in between, wherein which need to be removed during the development stage, followed by production. But the lessee concentrating only on the production of iron ore, leaving the barrier of BHQ/BHJ, causing unsystematic operation and blocking the ore beneath and leads to non-development will affect the future mining operation in the northern block.

Similarly, the southern block development is not undertaken as proposed in the plate No.VI-A1

(ii). It was proposed to develop all the pits to the tune of 164.44 lakhs of waste, against which, only 86.52 lakhs have been reported, causing less development and also unsystematic, leading to the difficulty in future mining operations. (i.e. additional development needs to be undertaken in the successive mining operations.).

Rule Annual return, for the year 2016-17 in Part-VI, sl.no. 2, it is reported that the opening stock 45(5 in the dump working, as 142975.290t, and the closing stock as 108570.490t, but there is no clarity in this reporting, from which dump the quantity reported for reference.

(i)

- 02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservations and Development Rules, 2017.
- 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/-(C. Parameshwaran) Dy. Controller of Mines

Copy for kind information to: (i). The COM (SZ), IBM, Bangalore. (ii). The Director, DMG, Karnataka state.

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