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Date:-31.08.2017

To,

The Owner/Agent/Manager

Pale iron Ore Mine.(TC.No.31/1953)

M/s Chowgule and Company Pvt. Limited

Chowgule House,Mormugao Harbour-Goa,403803

Sub :Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Pale iron Ore Mine,M/s Chowgule and Company Pvt. Limited.(TC.No.31/1953) situated in Pale,Velguem and Mancem- Villages, Bicholim &Sattari - Taluka, North Goa Dist, Goa State.

Sir,

The following provision of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 22/08/2017 by the undersigned along with Shri Kalmata M.K., SMG, IBM Goa in presence of Mr. Sanjay Chakraborty, Agent,Mr.R.B.Singh Mines Manager and Mr.S.M.Hegde, Mining Geologist.

Rule	Nature of Violation observed
11(1)	<p>Mining operations have not been carried out in accordance with the modification of Mining Plan approved vide MMP/MECH-21/GOA/2015-16 Vol I dated 08/03/2017.</p> <p>(i) In the approved modification of above said Mining Plan the backfilling area were proposed between the section (Grid) Line N750 to N650 with O/B or waste handling of 895000T. It was observed during the inspection that the actual area of backfilling is much larger than the proposed one during the year 2016-17. Also it was observed in the field that the actual surface position of backfilling area were not properly updated in the surface Plan, surveyed on 27.4.2017 and submitted to this office.</p> <p>(ii) As per the approved MMP, excavation were approved to be carriedout by formation of regular shape of benches of height 6m and width more than the height (width around10m). However during the inspection it was observed that benches were merged in</p>

	irregular manner and width of the benches were not maintained as approved at places; and thus resulted the collapses of benches between the ML boundary pillar Z and A. This is not as per the systematic and scientific mining.
45	In Annual Returns submitted from your mine for the Financial Year 1 st April 2016 to 31 st March 2017; details reported under Part V 4.2 (C) the total quantity of overburden/waste removed during the year (tonnes) were Nil. Whereas the quantity of backfilled reported as 733243 Tones during the year. Also the quantity disposed of in external dumps during the year and cumulative figures were marked as zero. The above figures are unrealistic or incomplete as submitted by your mine lease.

02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violation constitutes an offence, punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.

03. The mining operations can be suspended under rule 11(2), if compliance of rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory.

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,

(S.Prasad)
Deputy Controller of Mines
Indian Bureau of Mines

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1. The Controller of Mines, SZ, Indian Bureau of Mines, Bengaluru.
2. The Director, Directorate Mines and Geology, Govt. of Goa, Panaji.

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