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No.KRL/ALP/SS/141/BNG

Dated: 10 .04.2014

To :
Shri K.J. Antony,
K.R. Puram Post,
Cherthala,Alppuzha Dist,
Kerala.

Sub: Order of Suspension of mining operations under Rule 13(2) of Mineral Conservation and Development Rule 1988 in respect of Kripa Connect Mines, of Shri K.J. Antony over an extent of 1.25 ha in Pllipuram Village, Cherthala, Alappuzha Dist of Kerala State.

Sir,

The inspection of your above mentioned mine was carried out by a team of Special Task Force-III (Phase-III) consisting of Shri V. Jaya Krishna Babu, Regional Controller Of Mines Indian Bureau of Mines & Team Leader, Shri VD. Jalnapurkar, Senior Mining Geologist Indian Bureau of Mines & member and Shri Raman Namboothiri, Geologist of State DMG and member on 14.03.2014 , in presence of mine representative Shri Jose Antony.

02. The following provisions of MCDR 1988 were found violated during the inspection.

Rule No.	Nature of violation observed
13 (1)	<p>The Mining Operations are not being carried out in accordance with the proposal given in the approved mining plan. The extent of deviation are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) It was observed that the production raised during the year 2012-13 was 4650 T which is more than 20% against approved production quantity of 2392 T.(ii) The mining operations were found in unscientific and unsystematic manner, as the excavations done without leaving the statutory/safety barrier i.e public buildings/auditorium, panchayat road and HT line/tower.(iii) It was also observed that the area of excavation already carried out in the North Western part of the lease area is significantly on higher side and deviated from AMP.(iv) The proposed area for excavation during the fourth year i.e 2014-15 as per approved mining plan has already been excavated.
	As per the rule, every holder of a Mining Lease is required to employ a full time or

42 (1)(b) (ii)	part time Mining Engineer but no such Mining Engineer & Geologist has been appointed so far.
Rule 22(1)	The lease holder of every mine shall send to the Controller General, Controller of Mines and the Regional Controller of Mines intimation in Form- C of the opening of a mine so as to reach them within fifteen days of such opening. But, no such opening Notice has been submitted, though the mine was opened on 08.03.2012
Rule 23 (2)	It was observed that mined out pits were back filled with waste consisting of mixed red soil brought from outside, prior approval before such back filling / partial abandonment is not obtained and also information to the Controller General, Controller of Mines and the Regional Controller of Mines of his intention to abandon a mine or a part of a mine was not sent.

In this regard the task force team , has recommended for suspension of mining operations considering the nature of violation of Rules 13 (1), 42 (1)(b) (ii), Rule 22(1), Rule 23 (2) of MCDR-1988 as indicated above.

03. I am of the opinion that the non-Compliance of the above rules of MCDR-1988 defeats the very purpose of Systematic Development of Mines, Conservation of minerals and protection of Environment. Therefore by virtue of power conferred upon me under Rule 13 (2) of MCDR-1988, ***I hereby order suspension of all mining operations in the entire lease area with immediate effect.***

04. No mining operation should be carried out in the above mine except the operations as may be necessary to restore the conditions as envisaged in the approved Mining plan/ Scheme of Mining.

05. This order shall remain in force until revoked in writing. After compliance of the provision of Rules 13 (1), 42 (1)(b) (ii), Rule 22(1), Rule 23 (2) of MCDR-1988, you may apply to this office for revocation of this order.

Yours faithfully,

(B RAM MOHAN)
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01. The Director, Directorate of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Kerala Kesavadasapuram, Pottom Palace, Thiruvananthapuram Kerala 695 004.
02. The Chairman, Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram.695004 Kerala
03. The District Collector, D.C. Office, Alppuzha, Kerala.
04. The Director, Bangalore Region(SZ), Directorate General of Mines Safety, No.6, 100 ft Road, 16th Main, Koramangala, Bangalore 560 0365.

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