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## **INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES**

Office of the Regional Controller of Mines

No. MP/CHW/MN-30/NGP

Nagpur, Dated 04.10.2013

To, Shri Ajay Khandelwal, Nominated Owner, M/s Krishnaping Alloys Ltd., 779, Tharsa Road, At & Post – Kanhan-441401, Dist. Nagpur, MS.

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 1988 in respect of Palaspani Manganese Mine (Area 54.129 ha)

Sir

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 are found violated in your above mine during inspection on 02/10/2013 by ShriHarkeshMeena, Deputy Controller of Mines, Jabalpur (Team Leader) and **Dr.** A. K. Ghoshal, Junior Mining Geologist, Nagpur Regional Office, accompanied by ShriU. R. Bagde, Surveyor, DGM, Chhindwara, Govt. of M.P. and ShriVinay Mishra, Personal Manager, H. R. Upate, Mines Manager of your mine.

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
13(1)	Every holder of a mining lease shall carryout mining operations in accordance with the approved mining plan / scheme of mining with such conditions as may have been prescribed under Sub Rule (2) of Rule 9 or such modifications if any,
	as permitted under Rule 10 or the mining plan or scheme of mining approved under Rule 11 or 12 as the case may be. It was observed that the Scheme of mining was approved vide letter No. CHW/MN/MPLN-449/NGP dated 22.03.2013.
	The Scheme of mining approved was valid up to 31.03.2016.
	The mining for ensuing five year period is proposed covering pit Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 but the pit Nos 6 is backfilled by overburden / waste. The dump near boundary pillar Nos 16, 17, 18 & 19 is partly outside the lease area, which is not
	proposed in the approved scheme of mining. The proposal for underground mining is also given but the development work for underground mining i.e. sinking of shafts, development of decline, levels, cross cuts etc. as proposed have not
	been done. No dump mining was observed in the lease area during inspection as marked on development and production plan (plate No. 6.1) of approved scheme of mining. The sizing and sorting of ROM ore was in progress in the yard marked on plan as well as in northern direction outside the lease area near the explosive magazine. Toe drain around the
	dump located outside the northern boundary has not been constructed as proposed. Thus attracting the violation of Rule 13(1) of MCDR 1988 which may lead to suspension of mining operations in accordance to the Rule 13(2) of the MCDR
	1988.
45(5)(a)	The owner or agent or mining engineer or manager of every mine, shall submit to the RCOM, IBM or any other authorized officials of IBM, returns in respect of each mine, in the following manner namely,
45(5)(a) & 45(5)(b)	a) Monthly return, which shall be submitted before 10 <sup>th</sup> of every month in respect of preceding month in the form as indicated below:
43(3)(6)	(ii) for manganese ore in Form F-2.
	(b) an annual return which shall be submitted before first July of each year for the preceding year in the form as indicated below:
	(ii) for manganese ore in Form H-2.
	The dump mining has been reported in the annual return submitted for 2012-13 but no actual dump working was observed during inspection of the mine. The 40,000 tons of manganese production from dump working reported in the annual return for 2012-13 is not matching with the stock register maintained. On examination of records during
	inspection there is no entry in stock register regarding production of manganese from the dump workings. The production reported in the monthly and annual returns under the heading dump workings appears to be false. Further the
	monthly returns have not been submitted to this office since September, 2012. and this violation may lead to suspension of mining operations under Rule 47(1)(i) (a) in the mine as well as termination of mining lease and prosecution of the
	owner, agent, manager and mining engineer.

- It is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under rule 58 of MCDR, 1988.
- 04. You are therefore directed to **SHOW CAUSE** within a period of 30 days from the date of issue of this letter, as to why mining operations in your mine should not be suspended under rule 13(2) for the violation of provision of rule 13(1) as above.
- OF Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

**Dr.** A. K. Ghoshal) Junior Mining Geologist

Copy forwarded, for information to:

- (1) The Controller of Mines (CZ), 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 'D' Block, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur-440001.
- (2) The Director, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, 29 A, Arera Colony, KhanijBhavan, **Bhopal 462016** (Madhya Pradesh).
- (3) The Collector, Office of the District Collectorate, At & P.O. Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh.

(**Dr.** A. K. Ghoshal) Junior Mining Geologist