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Scheme No.-11, Kamla Nehru Nagar
Jabalpur, Dated: 12 / 10 /2021

To,

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Subject: Violation of provisions of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017

In respect of your Botezari Manganese mine (area-8.45Hect) in District of Balghat in M.P. State

Dear Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mentioned mine during MCDR inspection on 07/08/2021 by the undersigned in presence of Mr Ajay khandelwal ,owners representative and Mr Reddy, Mining Engineer.

<p>Rule 11 , MCDR 2017</p>	<p>1. Mining operations under mining lease.—(1) No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operations in any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines or prepared and certified in accordance with the system established by the State Government pursuant to the proviso to clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 or approved by the competent authority of the Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research, in respect of minerals specified in Part B of the First Schedule to the Act where the grade of such atomic minerals is equal to or above the threshold value limits declared under Schedule-A of the Atomic Minerals Concession Rules, 2016.</p> <p>(2) If the mining operations are not carried out in accordance with the approved or certified mining plan or any information contained in the mining plan is found to be incorrect, misleading or non-compliant with applicable laws including these rules, the competent authority may by order, suspend all or any of the mining operations and permit continuance of only such operations as are required to restore the conditions in the mine as envisaged under the approved or certified mining plan or modified mining plan, for the purpose of restoration to the extent possible:</p> <p>It is observed during inspection that, for year 20-21:</p> <p>1.The production of ROM ore from mines is very less than planned 13625.1.t is only 6959 tons is produced.</p> <p>2. The green belt development done in mines barrier is not showing good survival rate(less than 50 %) survival rate.</p> <p>Thus there is violation of this Rule.</p>
<p>Rule 26(2) MCDR 2017</p>	<p>(2) The holder of mining lease shall submit to the competent authority a yearly report as per the format specified by the Indian Bureau of Mines, before 1st day of July every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan, and if there is any deviation, reasons thereof:</p> <p>Statement/yearly report for progressive closure under this rule for yr 20-21 is not submitted.</p>
<p>Rule 31(4)</p>	<p>31. General requirements about plans and sections.- (1) Every plan or section prepared or submitted in accordance with the provisions of these rules shall- (a) show the name of the mine and of the holder of the mining lease and the purpose for which the plan or section is prepared; (b) show the true north or the magnetic meridian and the date of the letter; (c) show a scale of the plan at least twenty-five centimeters long and suitably sub-divided; (d) unless otherwise provided, be on a scale having a representative factor of – (i) 1:500 in case of mines having small-scale workings; (ii) 1:2000 in case of mines having large open cast working and also in case of surface plans of large leasehold areas; and (iii) 1:1000 in other cases: Provided that the competent authority may, by an order in writing and subject to such conditions as he may specify therein, permit or require the plans to be prepared on any other suitable scale; (e) be digitally prepared in the format as may be specified by the Indian Bureau of Mines. (2) The</p>

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conventions provided under the Metalliferous Mines Regulations, 1961, shall be used in preparing all plans and sections required under these rules. (3) The plans and sections shall be accurate within such limits of error as the Controller General may specify by a general or special order. (4) The plans and sections required under these rules shall be maintained up to date within three months in case of category 'A' mines as referred to in clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 55, and within twelve months in the case of any other mine.

Surface plan, surface geological plan and sections maintained at mines (category A) were not kept upto date as required under sub rule (4) above.

**Rule 45
MCDR
2017**

45(5) .The holder of a mining lease shall submit online returns in respect of each mine to the Regional Controller or any other authorised official of the Indian Bureau of Mines in the following manner, namely:-
(b) a monthly return which shall be submitted before the tenth day of every month in respect of the preceding month in electronic form along with a signed print copy of the same if it is not digitally signed, in the respective form as indicated below:-

- i. for all minerals except copper, gold, lead, pyrite, tin, tungsten, zinc, precious and semi-precious stones, in Form F1 of the Schedule;
- ii. for copper, gold, lead, pyrite, tin, tungsten and zinc, in Form F2 of the Schedule; and
- iii. for precious and semi-precious stones, in Form F3 of the Schedule;

(c) an annual return which shall be submitted before the 1st day of July each year for the preceding financial year in electronic form, along with a signed print copy of the same if it is not digitally signed, in the respective Form as indicated below:-

- (i) for all minerals except copper, gold, lead, pyrite, tin, tungsten, zinc, precious and semi-precious stones, in Form G1 of the Schedule;
- (ii) for copper, gold, lead, pyrite, tin, tungsten and zinc, in Form G2 of the Schedule;
- (iii) for precious and semi-precious stones, in Form G3 of the Schedule:

- i) information on geologist and mining engineer appointed is not given**
 - ii) Information on capital structure/Fixed assets of mines is not given.**
- For the annual returns submitted on line for year 20-21.**

Rule 55

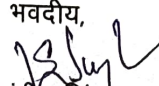
55. Employment of geologists and mining engineers.-(1) For the purpose of carrying out reconnaissance, prospecting or mining operations in accordance with these rules,-
1. every holder of reconnaissance permit shall employ a whole-time geologist;
2. every holder of prospecting licence or a prospecting license cum mining lease shall employ a whole-time geologist and a part-time mining engineer;
3. every holder of a mining lease shall employ, in case of-
(iii) category 'A' mines, a whole-time mining engineer and a geologist;
(iv) category 'B' mines, a part-time mining engineer and a part-time geologist:
Provided that in the case of fully mechanised category 'A' mines, the mining engineers and geologists shall have minimum five years of professional experience of working in a supervisory capacity in the field of mining:

A full time geologist and mining engineer is not employed in the mine. your mine is a category A opencast mine.

02. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR-2017.

03 .You are 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.

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