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Opp.Old R.T.O.'s Office,

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Date:- 23 .01.2018

To,

The Owner/Agent/Manager

Odamola Iron ore Mine(TC No.45/1954)

M/s Sova.

Salgocar Bhavan ,Altinho,Panji,Goa,403001

Sub :Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Odamola Iron ore Mine Iron ore Mine (TC No.45/1954), M/s Sova, situated in Village – Sangod, Dhabandora - Taluka, South Goa- District of Goa State.

Sir,

The following provision of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 11/01/2018 by the undersigned along with Shri Kalmata M.K., SMG, IBM Goa in presence of Mr. Subramany,Director and Mr.Gopalkrishna V.Gaonkar.

Rule	Nature of Violation observed
11(1)	Mining operations have not been carried out in accordance with the modification of Mining Plan approved vide MMP/MECH-67/GOA/2016-17 dated 06/01/2017. (i) As per the aforesaid approved Modification of Mining Plan, In the year 2016-17:- 3,38,000 T of ore and 77723 T of waste handling were proposed to be excavated by formation of regular shape of benches of height 7.0 m and width more than the height. However during the inspection it was observed that the work were not commenced in the aforesaid period in the proposed locatios; However, it has observed during the inspection that the excavation is being carried out in the current year (2017-18) in the same location as proposed in the previous year 2016-17 without modification of the approved documents.
27(2)	A financial assurance of an amount equal to the difference between the financial assurance due as on the date of notification of these rules and the financial assurance already furnished,shall be furnished to the authorized officer within a period of ninety days from the date of notification of these rule. However, the same has not been furnished to the competent authority under these rule.

55(1)	<p>For the purpose of carrying out reconnaissance, prospecting or mining operations in accordance with these rules:“Every holder of a mining lease shall employ, in case of category ‘A’ mines, a full time mining engineer and a full time Geologist”.</p> <p>However, during the inspection it was observed that a full time Mining Engineer has not been employed under this rule.</p>																									
45	<p>Part- VI, Para2. Production and Stocks of ROM ore at Mine-head(Iron Ore(Hematite)):-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="328 562 1390 734"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Category</th> <th>Opening Stock(T)</th> <th>Production</th> <th>Closing Stock(T)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2015-16</td> <td>a) Opencast workings</td> <td>166,334</td> <td>-</td> <td>166,334</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2015-16</td> <td>b) Dump Working</td> <td>43,072,648</td> <td>-</td> <td>43,072,648</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2016-17</td> <td>a) Opencast workings</td> <td>166,334</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>51248.12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2016-17</td> <td>b) Dump Working</td> <td>43,072,648</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>43,072,648</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>From the above figures of annual returns it has reveals that, in the year 2015-16 , closing stock of ROM from opencast working was 166,334T whereas in the year 2016-17 returns it has indicated as 51248.12Tons, without showing any despatch.</p> <p>Further, large quantity of ROM opening/closing stock in the head of dump working has shown in the para.</p> <p>The above figures are unrealistic, incomplete or false as submitted by your mine lease.</p>	Year	Category	Opening Stock(T)	Production	Closing Stock(T)	2015-16	a) Opencast workings	166,334	-	166,334	2015-16	b) Dump Working	43,072,648	-	43,072,648	2016-17	a) Opencast workings	166,334	0.00	51248.12	2016-17	b) Dump Working	43,072,648	0.00	43,072,648
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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 (Fourty 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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