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Date:- 19.07.2019

To,

Shri Rajnikant B. Pajwani, Nominated Owner/ Mine Agent,
M/S. Ashapura Minechem Ltd. Jeevan Udyog Building,
3rd Floor, 278 D.N. Road Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra – 400001

Sub : Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Umbershet Bauxite Mine, over an extent of 99.86 Ha., Situated in umbershet Village of Dapoli taluka, Ratnagiri District of Maharashtra State.

Sir,

The following provision of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 15/05/2019 by the undersigned in presence of Shri Girisha Hegade (AGM Operation) and the same were communicated to you vide this office letter of even no., dtd. 24.05.2019.

Rule	Nature of Violation observed
11(1)	<p>Mining Operation have not been carried out in accordance with the Modification of Mining Plan approved vide letter no. MP/MAN-568(MAH)/Goa/2004-05 Vol II, dated 09.05.2014 to the extent indicated below:-</p> <p>(i) Exploration has proposed to be carried out by digging 42 trial pits in the with the average depth of 5.5 m at earmarked place to cover the lease area. However, during the inspection it has observed that the aforesaid exploration activities has not been started so far.</p> <p>(ii) The excavation of minerals was observed to be carried out in pit no.04 between the section lines 297867 to 297967 which was not proposed in the above approved document.</p> <p>(iii) Large quantity of mineral stacks were observed without safeguarding the substantial environmental protective measures to control from the washoff of material.</p> <p>(iv) Fines stack were observed to stacked within the 7.5m safety zone area near boundary pillar no.51.</p> <p>(v) Lease boundary pillars as shown in the approved plan were not properly maintained in the field with standard specifications.</p>

55(1) (c) (i)	A whole-time Mining Engineer required to be employed as per this rule,has not been employed. This has already pointed out in our earlier inspection and the information sought under this rule vide this office letter of even no., dated 29.04.2019 is not replied/complied to this office.
45(7)	The discrepancies observed in our earlier inspection and the information sought under this rule vide this office letter of even no., dated 29.04.2019 is not replied/complied to this office.

02 However, this office has not received any reply/compliance status of the above outstanding violations.This shows that, no action were taken from your end to rectify the above mentioned violations.

03. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017. Besides, inability to comply with the provision of Rule 11 (1) is also liable for suspension of mining operations according to the provisions of Rule 11 (2) of MCDR, 2017.
04. You are therefore directed to show cause within a period of 30(thirty) days from the date of issue of this letter as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence and/or the mining operations should not be suspended in accordance to Rule 11 (2) of MCDR, 2017.
05. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regards.

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 Dy. Director General (Stat), IBM, Nagpur
3. The Dy. Director, Directorate Mines and Geology, Govt. of Maharashtra, Udyog Bhavan, Nagala Park, Kolhapur.

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