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KNT/BJP/LST-75/GOA 38KAR26055 Dated: 06/06/2018

To, M/s. Navodaya Minerals, Door.No.1457, MATHURA, 31st Ward, Baldota Colony, Near Guru Raghavendra Temple, Hospet, Bellary District, Karnataka- 583 203.

Ref: 1) Violation Lr. No. KNT/BJP/LST-75/GOA dated 25/01/2018

2) Your reply to this office vide letter No. Nil dated 14/05/2018

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of Halki Ningapur Limestone Mine (ML-2474) over an extent of 4.86 Hectares situated in Halki & Ningapur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District of Karnataka State - Reg.

Sir,

Undersigned inspected your above mine on 10.1.2018 in presence of the mine officials Shri.Arjun Hiremutt, Mines Representative and Violation letter of even number KNT/BJP/LST-75/GOA dated 25/01/2018 was issued for below mentioned rules of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017.

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11 (1)	 Mining operations in the lease area are not carried out as per the last approved Mining Scheme. The following deviation is observed during inspection, a) There is no proposal to produce to limestone from the existing pit during the scheme period for the year 2017-2018. But, on the day of inspection, it was observed, that the operation was going in the existing pit and depth also extended for further 3m. b) It is proposed in Page-21 & plate-6 to keep all the benches of height at 3m each, whereas in the field it is observed to be more than the proposed height. c) It is proposed to produce limestone quantity of 80000 tons every year, whereas actually achieved quantity is 26800, 12000, 41000 & 25000 tons for last four years. Hence it should be modified. d) Plate-6 shows the area proposed for Magazine on the NW Side, but during inspection it has noticed that crusher has been installed in the proposed area. e) DGPS boundary pillars are not as per standard and all the pillars are fixed above the ground surface without any proper foundation. Intermitted pillar are not coinciding with corner boundary pillars. f) It is proposed to construct the Check dams, settling ponds and Terracing, during inspection it was notice as per proposal nothing has been constructed.
26 (2)	A yearly report before 1 st July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitation work carried out as envisaged in the approved progressive mine closure plan has not been submitted for last two years 2015-2016 & 2016-2017.
27 (1)	A financial assurance shall be furnished by the holder of the mining lease, for due and proper implementation of the progressive mine closure plan contained in the mining plan or the final mine closure plan, as the case may be, which shall be an amount of three lakh rupees for Category 'A' mines and two lakh rupees for Category 'B' mines, per hectare of the mining lease area put to use for mining and allied activities: Provided that the minimum amount of financial assurance to be furnished under sub-rule (1), shall be ten lakh rupees for Category 'A' mines and five lakh rupees for Category 'B' mines:

27 (2)	where financial assurance has already been furnished before the commencement of these rules, 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 authorised officer, as the case may be within a period of ninety days from the date of notification of these rules
33	The plans & sections prepared under rule 33 for the year 2016-2017 have not been submitted on or before 30 th June 2017.
55(1)(3)(iii)	The mine is being operated without employing the part time or full time Mining Geologist or Mining Engineer required under the provision this rule.
67	Obligation to supply other information • A Self-Appraisal Report to be submitted by owner of the mine under Rule 67 of MCDR, 2017 stating extent of implementation of Approved Mining Plan/ Scheme of Mining during the year 2015 - 2016 & 2016 - 2017 along with supporting plans & sections representative photographs in hard as well as soft copy.

- 2. Your reply vide letter No.Nil dated 14.05.2018 received in this office on 21.05.2018 has been considered. After examination it has been seen that, you have complied with Rule 26(2) and 67 of MCDR 2017. The clarification given by you for violation of Rule 11(1), 27(1), 27(2), 33 & 55(1)(3)(iii) of MCDR 2017 are not justified. Further, you had asked time to rectify the violations. However, it has been found that even after lapse of **45 days** from the issue of violation letter, the violations for the Rule 11(1), 27(1), 27(2), 33 & 55(1)(3)(iii) of MCDR 2017, remain to be continued.
- 3. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violation constitutes an offence, punishable under **Rule 62** of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017.
- 4. The Mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11(2), if compliance of Rule 11(1) are not found satisfactory.
- 5. You are therefore, directed to show cause within a period of **thirty** (30) **days** as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence and/or why mining operations shall not be suspended as per provision of Rule 11(2) of MCDR, 2017.
- 6. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(G.S.Kannan) Junior Mining Geologist

Copy forwarded for information to: -

- 1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
- 2. The Director, DMG, 49, Khanji Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore- 560 001, Karnataka.
- 3. Mine File

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