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To,	Date: 28.05.2015

Mr. P.R. Goenka, M.D. & Nominated Owner M/s Korp Resources (P) Ltd.

161, Rabindra Sarani,

Kolkata-700 007

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 1988 in respect of your Tantra Iron Ore Mine, Over an area of 72.560 Ha. in Sundergarh District of Odisha State.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 1988 were found violated in your above said mine during inspection on 18.04.2015, accompanied by Shri C.S. Mishra (Mines Manager) of your mine.

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
13(1)	Mining operation has not been carried out in accordance with the Scheme of Mining, approved dated 19.04.2013 to the extent indicated below:-  i) Installation/operation of beneficiation plant to upgrade the low-grade/sub-grade ore (approved to be operated from 2013-14) was not carried out till the date of inspection. Thus, production of saleable ore (+58% Fe) approved from beneficiation in 2013-14 & 2014-15 to the extent of 239400 te & 252000 te respectively by utilizing low grade/sub-grade ore were not carried out. (ref. para 5.3 of the Mining Scheme).  ii) Drilling with use of dust extractors or water injection system in drill was approved. (ref. para 9.4 of the Mining Scheme). Whereas, drill was observed operating without any dust suppression system.  These have endangered the systematic and scientific mining, protection of environment as well as conservation of mineral.
13(1) & 42	A whole time Mining Engineer required to be employed under this rule have not been appointed.
45 (7)	Following discrepancies are observed in the annual return submitted for the year 2013-14:  (i) From Annual return of year 2013-14, it is evident that 119923.61 Tonnes of ROM has been processed. Whereas total production of different grades of processed iron ore reported was 119989.86 Tonnes, which was more than the quantity of ROM processed.  (ii) In Annual return of year 2011-12, Closing stock of ROM ore from Dump working at mine head reported as NIL. Whereas, in subsequent Annual return of year 2013-14, Opening stock of ROM from Dump working at mine head reported as 5398.61 Tonnes.

- (iii) Under item 7 of Part V, 119989.86 Tonnes of material is mentioned as feed of mineral treatment Plant during year 2013-14. However, Treatment Plant (Beneficiation Plant) was found under-construction during the site visit and its operation has not been started till the date of inspection.
- (iv) Part-VI, item no.-5: Registration numbers as allotted by the IBM to the all buyers/consignees for dispatched ore from the mine have not been mentioned.

  The above discrepancies are construed as misrepresentation and suppression of information as per Rule 45(7) of the Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules'2011.
- **02**. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 58 of MCDR, 1988.

Further, furnishing incomplete or wrong or false information in the returns submitted under Rule 45(5) may lead to suspension of all mining operations in the mine and prosecution of the owner, agent, mining engineer or manager of mine as well as recommendation for termination of mining lease according to provisions of Rule 45(7) of the Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules' 2011.

**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.

Yours faithfully,

(PREM PRAKASH) Sr. Assistant Controller of Mines

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