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Regd.

No. MAH/CHD/LST-21/NGP/ Mine Code 38MSH08021

Date17.09.2019

To Shri S. K. Paneri, Agent & Unit Head, Maratha Limestone Mines, M/s Ambuja Cements Ltd, Taluk – Korpana & Rajura Dist; Chandsrapur Maharashtra -442098

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules-2017 in respect of your Maratha Limestone Mines (ML-II, 880.31 Ha) situated in District- Chandrapur of Maharashtra State

Sir,

This is with reference to subject matter and inspection carried out by undersigned on dated 14.06.2019 of aforesaid lease, the following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 amended vide notification of GSR 169(E) dated 27.02.2017 are found violated in respect of your above referred mine:-

Rule	Nature of Violations observed
11(1)	No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operations any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines and certified in accordance with the system established by the State Government pursuant to the proviso or 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 declare under Schedule-A of the Atomic Minerals Concession Rules, 2016. It was proposed in Mining Plan that during the year 2018-19 the ore to Of ratio will be maintained at 1:0.91 and proposed plantation within lease area will be 7500 in numbers for financial year 2018-19.
	However it was observed that plantation of 1500 saplings was carried out.
ialations	Every holder of prospecting license or a mining lease shall take all possible measures to to prevent or reduce the discharge of toxic and objectionable liquid effluents from mine, workshop, beneficiation or metallurgical plants, tailing ponds into surface water bodies, ground water aquifer and useable lands to a minimum.
	However During the inspection it was observed that the Effluent Treatment Plant installed at HEMM washing pit was not functional and contaminated water was being directly discharged to land.

These violations may lead to suspension of all mining operations in the mine as well as termination of mining lease and prosecution of the owner, agent and manager.

- 02. However, your reply received in this office vide letter no. ACL/MCW/MIN/IBM/2019/1429dated 22/07/2019 on the compliance of violation letter issued on 27/06/2019 was duly considered. The justification for the deviation in proposed ore to OB ratio was found satisfactory. However the justification for deviation in the proposed plantation & that the compliance of Rule 41, is not found satisfactory as no timeline & action plan is given for its compliance.
- 03. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservations and Development Rules, 2017.

- 04. You are, therefore, directed to **show cause within a period of 30 days** from the date of issue of this letter, as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offences.
- 05. Please note that no further notice will be give to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

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(Chandresh Bohra)
Deputy. Controller of Mines
Indian Bureau of Mines

Copy to:

- 1. The Controller of Mines(CZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur
- 2. The Director, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Government of Maharashtra, Khaniz Bhawan, 27, Shivaji Nagar, Cement Road, Nagpur-440010(Maharashtra)
- 3. Shri Bimlaendra Jha, Nominated Owner & MD & CEO , Ambuja Cements Ltd, Elegant Business Park, MIDC Cross Road B, Andheri bEast, MumbaiMaharashtra

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