## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES

No.: BIH/LOH/BX/246/RRO, Mine code -07JHK12006

318/B, Road No.-3,

Ashok Nagar, Ranchi- 834 002 TEL: 0651-2242889/2242903

Fax: 0651-2242903 Date: 02/09/2021

To:

1. Shri A.K. Agarwala,

Nominated Owner, M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd., Ahura centre, 1st floor, B Wing, Mahakali Caves Road, P.O.-Andheri (East), Mumbai (Suburban) - 400093 Mah.) E-mail: hindalco@adityabirla.com

2. Shri Bijesh Kumar Jha,

Agent of mines. M/s - Hindalco Industries Ltd. At & P.O.- Court Road, Lohardaga, Dist. - Lohardaga, PIN - 835302 (Jharkhand).

E-mail: bijesh.jha@adityabirla.com

Sub.: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Bhusar Bauxite mine (area 65.31 Hects.) in Lohardaga district,

Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated during the inspection of your above mine carried out on 17.08.2021 by Shri B.L. Kisku, Assistant Mining Engineer, Indian Bureau of Mines, Ranchi.

Rule No.

## Nature of violation observed in detail

Rule-11(1): No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operation in any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines or prepared and certified in accordance with the system established by the State Government

In your case, mining operations are not carried out in accordance with approved review of mining plan approved vide letter no.: RAN/LOH/BX/MP-22/2019-20, dated 16/10/2020 to the extent indicated below:

- (i) Exploration: As per Chapter-1; Para-1.0 (i), page no.-21, it was proposed to drill 16 Bore holes (PBH-118 to PBH-133) Coring type in Grid Interval 45m X 45m, total meterage 400m during 2020-21. But, it was observed that only 5(Five) Boreholes have been drilled during 2020-21. The reason for deviation may be furnished.
- (ii) As per Chapter 8; Para: 8.3.5; page 65 (Summary for year-wise proposal for item no. 8.3, for 2020-21): It was proposed to carry out the reclamation & rehabilitation work during 2020-21 in 1.69 ha. in north-western part of mining lease boundary, whereas, actual work done was 0.907 hects. only. The reason for deviation may be furnished.
- In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an 02. offence punishable under Rule-62 of MCDR-2017. The relevant extract of the rule 62 is given below:
  - "62 Penalty: Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both, and in the case of a continuing contravention, with additional fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues after conviction for the first such contravention.



03. You are, therefore, 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

(B.P. Kerketta)
Deputy Controller of Mines

ofe

Copy forwarded for kind information to:

- 1. The Director (Mines), Govt. of Jharkhand, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Yojna Bhawan, Jharkhand Mantralaya, Nepal House Area, Doranda, Ranchi 834002.
- 2. The Controller of Mines (EZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Block-CP, Plot no.-13, Salt Lake, Sector-V, Kolkata-700091.

(B.P. Kerketta) Deputy Controller of Mines

5TC