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No. JHK/GML/BX/253/RRO

To, Shri. A.K.Agarwala (Nominated Owner), M/s. Hindalco Industries Limited, Court Road, Post & Dist - Lohardaga, Jharkhand - 835 302

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 in respect of Kujam-II Bauxite Mine, over an extent of 157.38 hectares situated in Kujam & Chirodih Villages, Bishunpur Taluk, Gumla District, Jharkhand State - Reg.

Sir.

The following provision of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 was found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 11/08/2021 by Shri. Raghvendra Kumar, AME, IBM, Ranchi along with undersigned in presence of Shri. Pradeep Bhalekar (Mines Manager) and Shri. Victor Basu (Manager-Geology).

Rule No.	Nature of Violations observed
11(1)	 The mining operations in the Lease area are not carried out as per the last approved Review of mining plan. a) It is proposed to drill 293 core boreholes during 2019-2020 against that no exploration has been taken place from 2019-2020 to till date. b) There is no proposal to merge Quarry-A & B during this plan period, whereas during inspection, it has noticed that both quarries are merged. c) During inspection it has noticed that mining has carried out in negative borehole area (KII-102, KII-103, KII-104, KII-116, KII-130, KII-110) which is outside the UPL. d) It is proposed to backfill the Quarry-C during 2019-2020. But as per proposal backfill has not taken. e) There is no proposal to backfill the Quarry- 3A, 4-I & 4-F, against that it has been backfilled.
45(7)	The following discrepancy has been observed for Annual return. a) It was observed while scrutinizing the annual returns of last two years that Geological reserves are not provided as per UNFC classification system whereas it was mandatory to estimate the reserves as per amendment in the rule. b) As per approved plan and NABL test result shows 70% Recovery whereas in all the annual returns and monthly returns shows 100% Recovery from ROM.

- 02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.
- 03. The mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11(2) if compliance of rule is not found satisfactory.
- 04. 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

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Copy for information to:

1. The Director (Mines), Govt of Jharkhand, 3rd floor, Yojana Bhawan, Jharkhand Mantralaya, Nepal House Area, Doranda, Ranchi - 834 002.

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