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VIOLATION LETTER REGISTERED A/D

## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES

No.: JHK/LOH/BX/255/RRO,

Mine code - 07JHK12012

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To:

Shri Bijesh Kumar Jha, Director & Nominated Owner, M/s – Minerals & Minerals Ltd. At & P.O.- Court Road, Lohardaga, Dist. – Lohardaga, PIN – 835302 (Jharkhand).

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Sub.: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Pakhar Bauxite mine (area 109.507 Hects.) in Lohardaga district, Jharkhand State.

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 18.08.2021 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-12/2019-20, dated 27/07/2020 to the extent indicated below:

- (i) At Part A, Chapter 1.0 (i), Page 16: It was proposed to drill 44 nos. of Core type Bore holes at an interval of 50m X 50m, total meterage 2320m during the year 2020-21. But, the exploration work have not been carried out as per proposal during year 2020-21.
- (ii) At Chapter 8.0, Para 8.3.5; Page 67: Summary for year-wise proposal for 2020-21 and Plate No. 11 (Environment Management Plan): It was proposed to plant 600 nos. saplings in 0.30 ha. safety barrier during 2020-21. But, no saplings have been planted in the safety barrier. The reason for deviation and current plantation status in this regard may be furnished.
- Rule 46: The notice of appointment in Form-H w.r.t₀ Shri Rajesh Ranjan Ambashtha as Agent of Mines w.e.f. 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2021 have not been received in this office within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of appointment.
- O2. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an 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.

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03. You are, therefore, advised to rectify the above violations immediately and 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

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.

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