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

No. BIH/GLA/BX/243/RRO

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FAX: 0651-2242903 Date: 14.12.2015

To.

Sri M.M.P.Singh(Mine Owner), At- Palmerganj, P.O/Dist.- Lohardaga, Jharkhand- 835302

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 1988 in respect of your "Narma" Bauxite Mine over an area of 21.00 Hectare in Gumla district, Jharkhand State.

Sir.

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 1988 were found violated in your above mine during inspection on 02.12.2015 by Sri N.K.Chaterji, Asstt. Mining Geologist, of Indian Bureau of Mines, Ranchi accompanied by Md. Hanif, representative of lessee.

Rule No. Nature of violations observed in details.

Rule-12(3): The Mining Plan for Narma Bauxite mine (21.00 hc) was approved valid for the plan period 2014-15 to 2015 -16, validity of which shall be completed on 31.03.2016.

It is observed that no subsequent document has been submitted to the Regional Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines, Ranchi for approval on or before 02.12.2015.

As per Section 8A of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act 2015 (implemented w.e.f. 12.01.2015), the lease has been dispensed for further period. Consequent to amendment in MM(D &R) Act, modification in approved Mining Plan under Rule- 22(6) of MCR,1960, has to be submitted. The aforesaid modification incorporating proposal for further period w.e.f 2016-17 onwards, has not been submitted to this office.

Rule-13(1): States that, every holder of a mining lease shall carry out mining operations in accordance with the approved mining plan with such conditions as may have been prescribed under sub-rule (2) of rule 9 or with such modifications, if any, as permitted under rule 10 or scheme approved under rule 12 as the case may be.

In your case the following extent of deviation has been noticed which is given below:-

- (i) It was proposed in the last approved Mining Plan that 15 coring boreholes will be given during the plan period 2014-15, but no such boreholes have been given till date.
- (ii) In quarry no. 8, the 7.5m safety barrier has been crossed on the Eastern edge.

The deviation may attract provision of Rule- 13(2) of MCDR, 1988.

Rule-23 B (2): As per Mineral Conservation and Development Rules as amended up to 24/12/2003 and Chief Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines letter no.-K-11014/1/2002-CCOM, Nagpur, dated 10/01/2005, the Progressive Mine Closure Plan for this mine has not been submitted to the Regional Controller of Mines along with Scheme of Mining, for approval, along with Financial Assurance under Rule 23F (3) as a component of the Scheme of Mining.

Rule-27(4): The plans and sections required under the Rule shall be maintained up to date within three (03) months in case of category 'A' mine.

In your case it has been observed that the same have not been maintained up to date.

Rule-29: The owner, agent, mining engineer or manager of every mine shall (on or before the 30 th day of June) every year submit to the Controller General, Controller of Mines and the Regional Controller of Mines, a copy of the plans and sections maintained under Rule- 28 of MCDR, 1988.

In your case it has been observed that no such Plan/Section have been submitted to this office.

Rule- 45(5)(a)(iii): The Monthly return in form F-3 has not been submitted for the month of November, 2015 to the Regional Controller of Mines as required under the rule.

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- **02.** In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule-58 of MCDR-1988. The relevant extract of the rule 58 is given below:
- **"58 Penalty: -** Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rule shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend up to **two years**, or with fine extending to **fifty thousand rupees** or with both, and in the case of continuing contravention with an additional fine

Which may extend up to **five thousand rupees** for every day during which such contravention continues, after conviction for the first such contravention?

Provided that for repeated contravention the punishment should be in the form of imprisonment only".

- **03.** The mining operations can be suspended under Rule-13(2) of MCDR, 1988, if compliance of Rule-13(1) is not found satisfactory.
- **04.** 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,

-sd-(R.Purohit) O/c Regional Controller of Mines

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(a) For examination & extent of the pit / quarries and its development /proposals etc. there is requirement of the boundary pillars. But physical presence of the boundary pillars of the lease boundary/area along with its correct number and location have not been seen at the time of inspection as per rule 31 of MCR -1960 and item 2, part VII of Form 'K'.

(b) The lessee shall have to comply with the aforementioned Mineral Conservation and Development rules 1988 framed under Section18 of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development)Act, 1957 as required under Rule 27(1)(u) of MCR1960.

-sd-(R.PUROHIT)

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Regional Controller of Mines

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- 1. The Controller of Mines (CZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001.
- 2. The Director General (MMS Division), Indian Bureau of Mines, Civil Lines, Nagpur- 440001.

-sd-(R.PUROHIT) Regional Controller of Mines

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