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NO. BIH/GLA/BX/221/RRO

Dated -01/10/2021

To

- (i) Shri K.N. Bhandari, Director & Nominated Owner. Mahakali Caves Road. P.O. Andheri (East) Mumbai. (Maharashtra) PIN – . 400093.
- (ii) Shri Bijesh Kumar Jha, Agent of Mines M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd. Gurdari Bauxite Mine Ahura Centre, 1st Floor, B-Wing M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd. P.O. & Dist. Lohardaga PIN-835302 Jharkhand State.

Sub: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017 in respect of your Gurdari Bauxite Mine over an area of 584.19 hect., Gumla district, Jharkhand state.

Sir.

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules. 2017(MCDR, 2017) were found violated in the above mine during inspection on 13/09/2021 by Shri Raghvendra Kumar, AME, IBM, Ranchi in presence of Shri Sanjay Kumar, Mine Manager.

Rule

Nature of violation

Rule 11(1): No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operations in any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines. The mining operations are not carried out as per approved Review of mining Plan approved vide letter no. RAN/GML/BX/MP-06/2020-21, dated 29/10/2020 to the extent indicated below:-

- A. Exploration:- As per Page 18, para 1.0 (j), of the approved Review of Mining Plan dated 29/10/2020, during 2020-21(as per table) it was proposed to drill 267 (Two Hundred Sixty Seven) vertical coring boreholes at 50mx50m Grid interval. Against that no boreholes have been drilled.
- B. As per Page 56 & 60, para 8.3.1 & 8.3.5 of the approved Review of Mining Plan, it was proposed to backfill 1.39 ha. in Pakrigada-B quarry during 2020-21, but as per proposal backfilling has not been done.

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- C. As per condition no. (ix) of approval letter no. RAN/GML/BX/MP-06/2020-21, dated 29/10/2020, the lessee was carry out the test of Recovery factor & Bulk density factor from a NABL approved laboratory within six month and submit the report to Indian Bureau of Mines, Ranchi. However the Recovery factor & Bulk density factor report from a NABL approved laboratory has not been carried out within six month from the date of approval i.e. on or before 29/04/2021 and report have not been submitted till date.
- 02. In this connection it is to inform that, this violation of rule 11(1) of the MCDR'2017, may lead to suspension of mining operation in accordance to rule 11(2) of the MCDR'2017.
- 03. 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 continuing contravention with an additional fine which may extend up to Fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues, after conviction for the first such contravention".
- 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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Dy. Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information to:

The Director (Mines), Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Jharkhand, Yojana Bhawan, Nepal House, Doranda, Ranchi - 834 002.

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