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Dt. 05/10/2021

To,

Shri L. Muthukrishnan, Nominated Owner (Karikalli (Seethainagar) Limestone Mine), M/s Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited, 4th Floor, Rani Seethai Hall Building, 603, Anna Salai, Chennai – 600006, Tamil Nadu.

Mine code - 38TMN33046

Sub:

Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017, in respect of your Karikalli (Seethainagar) Limestone Mine over an area of 125.48.5 Ha in Karikalli Village, Guziliamparai Taluk, Dindigul District.

Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 09/09/2021 by the undersigned in the presence of Mr. M Mayilrajan, GM (Mines), Mr. V. Sasikumar, Manager (Geology):

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
11(1)	 Mining operations have not been carried out in accordance with the Review of Mining Plan & PMCP approved vide Letter No. TN/DGL/LST/ROMP-1530.MDS dated 14.11.2018 to the extent indicated below: a) There was a proposal to drill 8 exploratory boreholes for a total meterage of 640 metres during the year 2019-20. However, the same have not been completed till date. b) There was a proposal to excavate 12,59,663 tonnes of ROM & generate 10,07,730 tonnes of Ore & 2,51,933 tonnes of Mineral Rejects from the mine during the year 2020-21. However, only 3,45,893 tonnes of ROM/Ore was excavated from the mine & no Mineral Rejects were generated during the year. Similarly, in the previous year of the plan period, i.e., in 2019-20, only 3,94,615.5 tonnes of ROM was excavated against a proposed target of 10,00,937 tonnes. As such, the overall achievement for the plan period (starting 2019) stands at less than 33% and this will have a cascading effect on the overall production & development in the remaining years of the plan period.

- 02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservations and Development Rules, 2017.
- 03. The mining operation can be suspended under Rule 11(2), if the compliance of Rule 11(1) 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,

(Matiul Islam)
Assistant Controller of Mines

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