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क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक के कार्यालय OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES, GOA Arlem, Fatorda, Margao, Goa – 403 602

File No.- KNT/BJP/Fe-1/GOA Mine Code: 30KAR05002 Date: 06.12.2019

To,

Mr. P. P. Doddanavar, Partner & Nominated Owner M/s Doddanavar Brothers, Corpoarate House, Opp. Hotel Ksema Inn, Near 3rd Railway Gate, Khanapur Road, Belagavi, Karnataka-590016

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 (MCDR, 2017) in respect of your Hiremagi-Ramthal Iron ore Mines, ML.No: 2394, over 39.20 Ha., Situated in Hiremagi Village of Hungund taluk, Bagalkot District of Karnataka State.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules'2017 were found violated in your above said mine during inspection on 24.09.2019 by the undersigned in the presence of Mr. D. Somaiah, Mines Manager, Mr. Amit Ghooli, Mining Engineer and other officials of your above mine.

Rule No.	Nature of Violation observed
11(1)	The Mining operations required to be carried out in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines. However, Mining operations have not been carried out in accordance with the Modification of Mining Plan (MMP) approved dtd:-20.06.2018 to the extent indicated below:- (i) As per approved MMP, excavation/development of pit was approved to be carried out by formation of regular benches of height 6 m and width more than its height (width of working benches to be more than 8 m). However, it was observed that benches in West Side Pit were merged in irregular and unsystematic manner with height of benches even more than 12 m & width of benches were also less than its height at places. (ii) Stabilization of dump slopes by doing plantation is envisaged in PMCP. However, plantation has not been carried out on slopes of old & major waste dump-3 situated near to BP-7. (iii) Mining/excavation was proposed in year 2018-19 by systematic development of west side pit only. Whereas excavation has been carried out in scattered manner from different pits for winning high grade ore in selective manner. (iv) The waste dumping is proposed at the earmarked area between dumps 2 & 3. Whereas waste dumping observed carried out in eastern part of East side pit. (v) Less development work was carried out than proposed in year 2018-19 as waste generation/removal reported 337540 te only against the proposal of 627375 te in year 2018-19. Violation mentioned at point (i) & (ii) above was also pointed out earlier by this office, however the same has not been complied so far.
26(1)	The holder of a mining lease shall have the responsibility to ensure that the protective measures including reclamation and rehabilitation works have been carried out in accordance with the approved mine closure plan. As per Final mine closure plan (FMCP) approved dtd. 22.11.2018, it is proposed that the total area excavated will be fenced properly. However, fencing work has not been started yet.

26(2)	A yearly report setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan, ought to be submitted before the 1 st day of July each year for the preceding financial year, has not been submitted so far for the year 2018-19.
35(2)	Every holder of a mining lease shall monitor his mining and allied activities as per notified template of star rating in the format prescribed in this behalf by the Indian Bureau of Mines and shall submit online its self-assessment report before the 1st day of July each year for the previous financial year, along with the soft copy of high resolution satellite image as on 31 st March for that financial year covering the mining lease and area of two km from the lease boundary, to the Regional controller of IBM. However, the same has not been submitted so far for the year 2018-19.
45(5)	An Annual Return ought to be submitted before the 1 st day of July each year for the preceding
(c)	financial year, has not been submitted so far for the year 2018-19.
48	The holder of a mining lease shall keep a record in Form-J of all shafts or boreholes and shall retain
	such records and preserve the samples of the strata passed through. However, such record in Form-J
	was not found maintained & kept for boreholes reported carried out in year 2018-19.

- **02.** In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the violations mentioned under Rule 11(1) point (i) & (ii) are pointed out earlier and reported complied with vide your letter dtd. 24.08.2019. However, again during this inspection, it was observed that the same has not been complied with.
- **03.** In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR, 2017.
- **04.** The mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11 (2), if compliance of Rule 11 (1) is not found satisfactory.
- **05.** You are therefore directed to show cause within a period of **30** (**thirty**) **days** from the date of issue of this letter as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence and/or the mining operations should not be suspended in accordance to Rule 11 (2) of MCDR, 2017.
- **06.** Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(P. PRAKASH) Dy. Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:-

- (i) The Director, Directorate of Mines & Geology, Government of Karnataka,
- 49, Khanij Bhawan, Race Course Road, Bengaluru: As per Rule 12(1)(V) of Minerals Concession Rules,2016, the lessee shall at his own expense, erect, maintain and keep in repair all boundary pillars according to the Act and rules made thereunder with respect to the manner of construction and upkeep of boundary pillars as enumerated in this rule. However, it was observed that although corner pillars were posted, but intermediate boundary pillars were not posted as required.

(P. PRAKASH) Dy. Controller of Mines For Regional Controller of Mines

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(1) The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bengaluru.

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