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File No. TN/ALR/LST-12.MDS

Mine code – 38TMN24035

Dt. 12/12/2022

To,

Shri P. R. Venkataramaraja, Nominated Owner,
Kattupiringiyam Limestone Mine,
M/s The RAMCO Cements Limited,
Auras Corporate Centre, 98-A, Dr.Radhakrishnan Salai,
Mylapore, Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600 004.

Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation & Development (Amendment) Rules, 2021, in respect of your Kattupiringiyam Limestone Mine over an area of 44.58 Ha in Periyagalur & Valanjanagaram Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District, Tamil Nadu.

Sir,

The following provisions of the MCD(A)R, 2021 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 05/12/2022 by undersigned in presence of mine official Shri K. Nagendran, Mine Manager & Shri P. Senthamilselvan, AGM (Geology):

Rule No.	Nature of Violation
11(1)	<p>Mining operations have not been carried out as per the Review of Mining Plan approved vide Letter No. TN/ALR/LST/ROMP-1574.MDS dated 15.11.2019 to the extent as mentioned below:</p> <p>(i) There was a proposal to remove 70,880 m³ of Top Soil during the year 2021-22 against which only 9,385 m³ of Top Soil was removed during the year.</p> <p>(ii) There was a proposal to remove 5,21,760 m³ of Overburden during the year 2021-22 against which no Overburden has been removed during the year.</p> <p>(iii) There was a proposal to maintain the Ore to OB ratio of 1:1.69 during the year 2021-22 against which the same was maintained at 1:0.03 during the year.</p> <p>(iv) There was a proposal to backfill 3.13 Ha of mined out area during the year 2021-22 against which only 0.95 Ha has been backfilled during the year.</p>

02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62(1) of Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules, 2021, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to rupees five lakhs, or with both, and in the case of a continuing contravention, with additional fine which may extend to rupees fifty thousand for every day during which such contravention continues after conviction for the first such contravention.

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,

Sd-
(Matiul Islam)
Assistant Controller of Mines

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(Matiul Islam)
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