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गोसुंटापाल्या येशवंतपुर,
बेंगलुरु -560022

(MINE CODE: 30KAR03191)

दिनांक/Date: 02/05/2023

सेवामें/To,

M/s. Hothur Ispat Pvt. Ltd.,
“Hothur Square” No.284, 100 feet Road,
Indiranagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560 038
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विषय/Sub: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your **Janikunta Iron Ore Mine (ML No. 0011)** over an extent of 44.42 Ha in Kirani & Somnathahalli village, Ballari Taluk & District of Karnataka state.

महोदय/Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during inspection on 06.03.2023 by Shri. Gangadhar Bhakat, AME in the presence of Sri. A. Gururaj, Mines Manager and other mine officials.

Rule	Nature of violations observed
Rule 11(1)	The Mining operations are required to be carried out in accordance with the approved Modified Review and Updation Mining Plan document vide letter no. 279/1101/2019/BNG dated 12/09/2019, However, during the inspection deviations were observed in mining operation vis-à-vis approved document and are as follows: (i) As per the proposal for the year 2021-22 the lessee has to be constructed garland drain of 312m. However, it is observed during the inspection that only 270m of garland drain has been constructed.
Rule 45(7)	The online Annual Return for the year 2021-22 has been submitted by the lessee, following discrepancies were observed during the inspection: (i) Part – V General Geology & Mining (3). Reserves and Resources estimated at the end of the year : The details of Mineral Reserves and Resources estimated at the end of the year under different UNFC codes are not reported under Sec-3 as per the last approved document after depleting the production achieved subsequently upto 31/03/2022. The same may be rectified. (ii) The Ex-mine price reported in Part-VI (3) has not been reported correctly. In case of captive mines, the ex-mine price per tonne is

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	<p>the per unit cost of production.</p> <p>(iii) As per part VII: Cost of Production: As per part VII of the Annual Returns submitted, DMF & NMET paid details have not been furnished and accounted for arriving at the cost of Production.</p>
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02. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR 2017.

03. The mining operation can be suspended under rule 11(2), if compliance of rule 11(1) is not found satisfactory.

03. You are advised to rectify/explain the above violations immediately and intimate the position to this office within 45 (Forty Five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

भवदीय/ Yours faithfully,

(डा. सुधाकर टी.एल./Dr. Sudhakara T.L.)
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प्रतिलिपि सूचनार्थ/ Copy for kind information to:

1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
2. The Director, MMS Division, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur.
3. The Director, Department of Mining & Geology, No.49, Khanija bhavan, R.C. Road, Bangalore-560 001.

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