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क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक कार्यालय/  
OFFICE OF REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES



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गोरगुंटापाल्या येशवंतपुर,  
बेंगलुरु -560022

सं./ No. KNT/BLR/FE/499/BNG

दिनांक/Date: 16/01/2024

सेवा में/ To,

Mr. Mohamad Iqbal Hothur, CMD & Nominated Owner,  
M/s Hothur Ispat Private Limited,  
Hothur square, #284, 100 feet road,  
Indiranagar-Bengaluru.-560008  
e-mail: farooq@hothurindia.com

**विषय/Subject:** Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your **Janikunta Iron ore Mine (ML No. 0011) having Mine code: 30KAR03191)** over an area of **44.42 Ha** in Janikunta village, Ballari Taluk & District, Karnataka state.

महोदय/Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during the inspection carried out by the undersigned in presence of Shri A Syed Farooq, Mine Agent, Shri A Gururaj, Mines Manager & Shri Kiran Kumar P, Mining Engineer on 27/12/2023.

Rule	Nature of violations observed
Rule 45(7)	<p>i) <b>As PART-V (General Geology &amp; Mining) 2. Reserves and Resources estimated (in tonnes) (IRON ORE)</b> of the Annual returns for the year 2022-2023: It is reported to have carried out exploration with 22 RC boreholes over 2008 meters during the year. However, information additional reserves established is not reported.</p> <p>ii) <b>As PART-V (General Geology &amp; Mining) 3. Subgrade-Mineral Reject (in tonnes) (IRON ORE)</b> of the Annual returns for the year 2022-2023: A considerable quantity of BHQ/Silicious Ore with grade range from 35% Fe to 40% Fe (above the threshold value) is found stacked as mineral reject without accounting and reporting.</p>

02. The Mining operations and dispatches may be suspended and any action under sub rule (7) of Rule 45 of MCDR, 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment) Rules, 2021.

03. The fine may be imposed for submitting incomplete/ wrong/ false information in Annual Return as per Schedule-II of MCDR (Amendment) Rules, 2021.

04. In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment) Rule, 2021.
05. You are therefore, directed to show cause within a period of thirty **(30) days** from the date of issue of this notice, as to why action under sub rule (7) of Rule 45 and Rule 62 of MCDR 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment), 2021 shall not be taken against you.
06. You are herewith given **30 days-time** for reply and rectification of the violation from the date of issue of this notice. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

भवदीय/Yours faithfully,

**(H.M. SHIVAKUMAR)**  
Assistant Controller of Mines  
Indian Bureau of Mines

**प्रतिलिपिसूचनार्थः/Copy for kind information to:**

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

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