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बेंगलुरु -560022

No. MCDR-MIFLOFE/26/2023-BNG-IBM\_RO\_BNG Mine-code: 30KAR03168 दिनांक/Dated: 06/02/2024

To,  
Shri K.R. Kaviraju  
Nominated Owner,  
Venkatagiri Iron ore Mine.  
M/s. Lakshmi Minerals.  
No. 216, Near 100 Bed hospital  
M.J. Nagar  
Hospet-583 201  
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विषय/Subject: **Violation of provisions of MCDR 2017 in respect of your Venkatagiri Iron ore mine, ML 2551 over an extent of 21.73 Ha (as per CEC Sketch) in Venkatagiri Village, Sandur Taluk , Ballari District of Karnataka State.**

Sir,

The following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in your above mine during inspection on 19.01.2024 by the undersigned in presence of Shri. Lakshmikanth, Mine Manager, Shri Sudarshan Bellamkondi, Mining Engineer, Shri Tejas Kumar, Geologist and other mine officials:

Rule	Nature of Violations observed
45 (7)	<p>1)As per provision of Rule 45(5)(b) " a monthly return which shall be submitted before the tenth day of every month in respect of the preceding month in electronic form". The monthly return for the month of April-22 has been submitted on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022 which is after the due date. In the instant case the monthly return is submitted 01 day late from the due date of submission.</p> <p>2)The online Annual return for the year 2022-23 has been submitted by the Lessee; Following discrepancies are noted in the submitted copy as observed during site inspection.</p> <p><b>a) Part-I:</b> - i) 700 nos. of plants planted during year 2022-23 is mentioned in the attached PMCP table whereas in Part-V (5), 650 numbers of trees planted during year 2022-23 is mentioned. ii) The Surface KML/KMZ file for the year 2022-23 attached have not been prepared correctly with working &amp; other details layer wise.</p> <p><b>b) Part-II A(Capital Structure):</b> The entire land under mine lease is forest, accordingly the value and depreciation under land to be "Nil/0" &amp; is not reported correctly. The value of fixed asset also needs to be corrected accordingly.</p>

**c) Part-V:** i) The details of Mineral Reserves are not reported correctly under Part-V (2) as per the last approved mine plan document dated 21/04/2022. ii) There are no Mineral rejects generation proposal as per the approved document whereas 5700 tonnes of iron ore/mineral reject with average grade 34 % have been reported in Part-V (3) which is not correct. iii) The Water sprinkler details have not been provided in Part-V (6). Also, the crusher details in "number of machinery" column not reported correctly.

**d) Part-VI:** i) The Closing stock for ROM arrives to 1,11,890 tons as per the reported figures whereas it is mentioned "1,11,850" tons. ii) There is no production & despatch for 51-55%, 55-58 %, 58-60 %, 60-62 %, 62-65 % & 65 % and above Fe lumps and fines. Accordingly, the ex-mine per/ton is 'Nil' for all above grades but ex mine price/ton have been reported for the same which is not correct.

**e) Part-VII:** There is error in reported cost per tonne of production since there is error in the reported depreciation cost/ton, which is to be arrived from Part-II A (Capital Structure).

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

03. **The late fine to be paid @ Rs. 10,000/- per day i.e., 10,000 x1 day i.e., Rs, 10,000(Rupees Ten Thousand only). The said penalty is to be paid through "<https://bharatkosh.gov.in>" web portal under the purpose head "Non submission/faulty Monthly Returns" in favour of "137321-Regional Controller of Mines, IBM Bangalore".**

04. The fine may be imposed for submitting incomplete/ wrong/ false information in monthly & annual return, as per Schedule-II of MCDR (Amendment) Rules, 2021

05. In this connection, it is again brought to your notice that this violation also constitutes an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR (Amendment), 2021.

**06. 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.**

07. 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,

(Sandeep Kumar Singh)  
Senior Assistant Controller of Mines  
Indian Bureau of Mines

Copy for kind information to:

1. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore.
2. The Director, Dept. of Mines & Geology, 49, Khanij Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore-560 001

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