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No. MCDR-MiFL0FE/24/2022-BBS-IBM_RO_BBS

भुवनेश्वर, 02/07/2024

सेवा में Shri Atanu Bhowmick, Director In Charge, Rourkela Steel Plant and Nominated Owner, Kalta Iron Ore Mine M/s. Steel Authority of India Limited, Rourkela Steel Plant, Rourkela, Odisha-769001 E-mail: rsp.director@sail.in,

विषय: Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017, in respect of your Barsuan Iron Mine (30ORI13001) over an area of 276.43 Ha in Barsua Village, Tahsil: Koira, Sundargarh district of Odisha State.

महोदय,

The following provisions of MCDR 2017 were found violated in your above mine during inspection carried out on 10^{th} June 2024 by the undersigned in presence of the mine officials S/Sri P.C. Barua, Mines Manager, Harihara Sahu, Geologist and Tilak Patnaik, Agent alongwith other mine officials.

| 11(1) | Mining operations in the mining lease are not being carried out in accordance with as per the proposal given in Modification of Mining Plan approved vide letter No. MP/A/39-ORI/BHU/2020-21 dated 01/04/2021 (2021-22 to 2024-25) to the extent given below: |
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| | 1. During the FY-2023-24 it was proposed to carry out development in Area 3 as per co-ordinates 308680E to 309150 E, 2419400 N to 2420250 N and in Area 5 as per co-ordinates 307900 E to 308550 E, 2416900 N to 2417750 N. However, during inspection the Area -3 was carried out only in 308712E to 308954 E, 2419500 N to 2420200 N co-ordinates whereas development in Area-5 was carried only in 307858 E to 308152 E, 2417214 N to 2417472 N co-ordinates. |
| | 2. During FY 2023-24 it was proposed to produce ROM to a tune of 3.99 Million Tonnes against which only 2.61 Million Tonnes of ROM has been produced thereby causing deviation in land use pattern and (33.33%) of deviation from the proposal. |
| | 3. During FY 2023-24 there is shortfall in ROM production. However, against proposed waste generation of 270405 Cu.m, waste to a tune of 702801.74 Cu.m has been generated. |
| | 3. During FY 2023-24 it was proposed to make a waste d u m p BWD-10 as per co-ordinates 2419540N to 2420090N; 309037E to 309290E. However, during |

| | inspection no such dump was found and it was observed that the waste was dumped on backfilled dump i.e. Area-1 without any approved proposal for such dumping. |
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| | 4. During FY 2023-2024 no proposal for backfilling has been envisaged in the approved document. However, during inspection it was observed that waste generated from Area-3 was being dumped over the backfilled area of Pit-3 and backfilled dump Area-1 without any approved proposal for such dumping. |
| | 5. During FY 2023-24 it was proposed to construct Retaining Wall of 1040m and Garland Drain of 1070m and also construct 4 settling ponds. However, during inspection none of these were found to be made. |
| 32(1) | The holder of a mining lease shall keep the digitally prepared plans and sections viz. Surface Geological Plan showing all the lithological units exposed in the area, in the pits, trenches and in any other openings made for prospecting and mining operations showing contact between lithological units, section lines at regular intervals from one boundary to the other of the lease; etc. However, during inspection no such sections were found maintained. |
| 37(2) | The backfilled dump Area-1 was not found to be properly secured to prevent escape of material therefrom in harmful quantities which may cause degradation of environment and to prevent causation of floods. |
| 45(7) | On scrutiny of the Annual Return submitted for FY 2023- 24 it is observed that the Ex-Mine Price for Fines is Rs 1664 whereas for CLO it is Rs.2240. However, since the mine is captive the Cost of Production i.e. Rs 1792 has not been furnished as Ex-Mine Price. Further, 66000 tonnes of ROM from dump workings has been furnished in part VI-2 of the aforesaid Annual Return against no such proposal for dump mining envisaged during the reporting year. |

02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017.

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

04. You are advised to rectify the violation immediately and intimate the position to this office within a period of 45 (Forty five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully

(विक्रम देशपांडे) सहायक खान नियंत्रक भारतीय खान ब्यूरो

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