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NO. MCDR-MiFLOLST/1/2022-BNG-IBM_RO_BNG Mine-code: 38KAR10012

Dated: 18/07/2024

To,
Shri Ajay Kapur
Nominated Owner
Wadi-I Limestone mine
M/s. ACC Limited.
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विषय/Subject: **Violation of provisions of MCDR 2017 in respect of your Wadi-I Limestone mine, ML 2641 over an extent of 471.03 Ha in Ingalgi & Ravoor Villages, Chittapur Taluk, Kalaburagi 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 11.07.2024 by the undersigned in presence of Shri. Pradeep Sahoo, Mines Manager, Shri BN Prasadrao, Mining Engineer, Shri Jagadish M.K, Geologist and other mine officials:

Rules	Nature of Violations observed
11 (1)	<p>The Review and updation of mining plan was approved by IBM vide letter no. 279/116/89/BNG dated 07/03/2023 for the period 2023-24 to 2027-28. The deviations observed in mining operation vis-à-vis approved document are given below.</p> <p>i)The Review and updation of mining plan dated 07/03/2023 is approved with special condition B.2., which states that, "The Approval of Review and Updation of Mining Plan along with Progressive Mine Closure Plan is subject to the execution of Supplementary Mining Lease Deed for the extended period under the provisions of section 8A of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015 and the required statutory clearances from all the concerned Authorities". However, the Supplementary Mining Lease deed has not been found executed and not available for the extended period of the Lease, on the date of inspection.</p> <p>ii)The approved development & production proposals for the year 2023-24 are only at South western portion & north portion of the Pit-1. However, it is observed</p>

during inspection and analysis of submitted drone data, surface KMZ plan along with Annual Return 2023-24, that the development and production have additionally been carried out at South Eastern part of the Pit-1 between the Section ML 1A to ML 8A (N-1887973, E-710822 to N-1888035, E- 711829), which is not as per the approved proposal of the year 2023-24. Also, it is observed that development & production at South western portion of the Pit-1 has been carried out only upto 396 mRL (N-1887300, E-709467) vertical extent against the approved proposals of 391 mRL.

iii) On analysis of the submitted drone data for the year 2022-23 & 2023-24 it is observed that the total limestone excavated quantity as reported in the Annual Return 2023-24 is 3.55 million tons is not matching with the excavation quantity 5 million tons derived from the drone data. Also, the cumulative limestone figures reported in Form-L for the year 2023-24 arrived to 51,44,255 tons. As such, there is a discrepancy observed in the reported limestone production figures in Form F-1, G-1 and L for the year 2023-24. The actual stripping ratio as arrived from AR 2023-24 (5,57,721 tons/35,54,606 tons) of 1:0.15 not supporting with the proposal.

iv) The waste dumping for the year 2023-24 is proposed to be backfilled at Pit-1 between Sec ML-2 to ML-4 (N-1887854, E-710337 to N-1887758 to E-710022). However, the waste dumping has not been carried out at the earmarked backfilled location for the year 2023-24. Instead, backfilling has been continued in Pit-1 between Section ML 5A to ML 7A (Eastern portion of Pit-1) and between section ML 9 to ML 11 (Western portion of Pit-1).

v) For the year 2023-24 a total plantation of 7825 nos. of plants at 3.13 ha is proposed at safety zone and backfilled area. However, only 1.9 ha with 4500 nos. of plantation carried out during the year as per the figures reported in Annual return 2023-24. It is observed from submitted 2023-24 drone data, submitted surface KMZ plan with AR 2023-24 & inspection that the plantation at safety zone from pillar BP-44 to BP-52 has not been carried out as per the proposal.

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 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 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,

(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.

(Sandeep Kumar Singh)
Senior Assistant Controller of Mines

