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Dated: 30/08/2024

To,

Shri Venkatesan Thyagarajan

Nominated Owner,
Pagara JhiriyaLimestone Mine, 395.965 Ha
M/s Dalmia Cement (Bharat)Limited,
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<u>Subject</u>:- Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017, in respect of your **Pagara Jhiriya Limestone Mine**, over an area of 395.965 hectare, Pagara, Tehsil Rampur Baghelan, District Satna - of Madhya Pradesh State.

Sir,

Undersigned has inspected your mine in the presence of your representative Shri Dinesh Dixit, Shri Mrinal Sen (Mine Manger), and Shri Harshal Sawai (Mine Geologist) and other mines officials on 30/07/2024. Following provisions of MCDR 2017 were found violated in your mines at the time of inspection. The document of above mentioned mine was approved vide letter No. MP/Satna/Limestone/RMP-26/2019-20 dated 23/01/2020 incorporating proposal of working from 2020-21 to 2024-25

11(1)of MCDR 2017

- 1. Mining operations under mining lease.—(1) No holder of a mining lease shall commence or carry out mining operations in any area except in accordance with the mining plan approved, modified or reviewed by the Indian Bureau of Mines or prepared and certified in accordance with the system established by the State Government pursuant to the proviso to clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 During inspection it has been observed that the following provisions of the rule have been violated: -
- 1. Only 285 tonnes of Limestone production is raised during 2023-24 against the proposed 11,56,251 tonnes .
- 2. 72.2 m3 Overburden is generated against the proposal of 175000 m3, thereby distorting the stripping ratio.
- 3. It was proposed to produce 637500 m3 of top soil during the year, but nil top soil was produced.
- 4. It was proposed that height of 5 m and width of 15 m will be maintained in Limestone, but no such benching was observed in the lease area.
- 5. Stripping ratio proposed was not maintained.
- 6. Pit was not developed in proposal area for year 2023-24.

45(7)

If it is found that the holder of a mining lease or the person or company engaged in trading or storage or end-use or export of minerals, as the case may be, has submitted incomplete or wrong or false information in daily or monthly or annual returns or fails to submit a return within the date specified:

In Annual Return for the year 2023-24 in form G1 to the Regional Controller of Mines, following discrepancy was observed –

It was reported that 285 Tonnes of limestone was produced and 91.980 Tonnes of limestone was dispatched during the year 2023-24. But no machinery was reported in Part V(6).

Further, as per the provisions of Rule 62(2) Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules, 2021, contravention of this rule shall be liable with fine for an amount as specified in Schedule II if the necessary corrections not incorporated in referred back return as per the provisions of this rule within stipulated time.

- 2. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservations and Development Rules, 2017.
- 3. The mining operations can be suspended under the rule 11(2) of MCDR-2017, if compliance of rule 11(1) of MCDR-2017 is not found satisfactory.
- 4. You are advised to rectify the violations of above mentioned rules immediately and intimate the position to this office within 45 (Forty Five) days from the date of issue of this letter.

भवदीय.

(माधवराव साबरे) वरिष्ठ खनन भूविज्ञानी कृते क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक 01. The Director, Director of Geology & Mining, Govt. of Madnya Pradesh, Khanij Bhawan,29-A, Arera Hills, Jail Road, Bhopal (M.P.) for information and further necessary action.

02. The Controller of Mines (CZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur for kind information.

(माधवराव साबरे) वरिष्ठ खनन भूविज्ञानी कृते क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक