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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES

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File No. MCDR-MiFLOGR/1/2023-RCH-IBM EZ Mine Code- 28BHR18014

Dated - 20/09/2023

To,

Shri Harsh Vardhan Bajaj (Director Cum Nominated Owner) M/s Parijat Mining Industries (India) Pvt. Ltd. 502 A,Mangal Murti Heights, Fifth Floor,Rani Bagan,Harmu Road,Ranchi-834001.

Sub.: Violation of provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your "BETLA" Graphite mine (area 7.216 Ha.) in Latehar district, Jharkhand state.

Sir,

The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found violated in the above mine during inspection on 31/07/2023 by Shri Raghvendra Kumar, AME, IBM, Ranchi in presence of Kamluddin Khalifa, Mines Manager & Md Khalid, Geologist.

Rule No. Nature of Violation

Rule 11(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. The mining operations are not carried out as per approved Review of Mining Plan along with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, vide letter no. RAN/LAT/GRA/MP-31/2021-22, dated 02/05/2022 to the extent indicated below:-

As per approved Review of Mining Plan, during 2022-23, there was proposal to drill 04 (Four) numbers of Bore holes (Coring) of average depth 60m in Grid Interval 50x50m, against that no boreholes have been drilled.

Rule 13(2): The benches in overburden shall be kept sufficiently in advance so that their workings do not interfere with the working of ore or minerals.

In your case it was observed that in the Eastern and Western part of the quarry no. – 01, height of Ore and O.B. benches has not been maintained properly as per proposals.

Rule 46: The holder of the prospecting licence or 1 [composite licence] or the mining lease shall,— (a) when any new appointment of an agent, mining engineer, geologist or any person is made under sub-rule (1) of rule 55; or (b) when the employment of any such person is terminated or any such person leaves the said employment; or (c) when any change occurs in the address of any such person, within fifteen days from the date of such appointment, termination, leaving or change in address, give a notice in Form H of the Schedule to the authorised officer, as the case may be.

You have not submitted a notice of termination/employment of appointment of mining engineer under sub-rule (1) of rule 55.

02. In this connection it is to inform that, this violation of rule 11(1) of the MCDR'17, may lead to suspension of mining operation in accordance to rule 11(2) of the MCDR'17.

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- **03.** In this connection it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under rule 62 of MCDR, 2017. The relevant extract of the rule 62 is given below.
- **"62 Penalty:** Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine which may extend to Five lakh rupees or with both, and in the case of continuing contravention with an additional fine which may extend up to Fifty thousand rupees for every day during which such contravention continues, after conviction for the first such contravention".
- **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.

Yours faithfully

(B.L.Kisku) Assistant Controller of Mines

Copy forwarded for kind information to: The Director (Mines), Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Jharkhand, Yojana Bhawan, Nepal House, Doranda, Ranchi - 834 002.

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