

Violation Notice Letter

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BHUBANESHWAR**

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No.: MCDR-MiFL0FE/16/2022-BBS-IBM_RO_BBS

To: Shri/M/s. Mr Balwant
Singh, Nominated Owner,
THE ORISSA MINING
CORPORATION LIMITED,
A GOVT. OF ORISSA
UNDERTAKING ,OMC
HOUSE, UNIT-5, POST BOX
NO.34, BHUBANESWAR,
Jalahari Village & Mandal,
Kendujhar district, Odisha,-
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Subject : Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment), 2021 in respect of your Banspani Iron Ore Mines (Mine Code: 30ORI08089) of M/s The Orissa Mining Corporation Limited over an area of 380.40ha in Banspani Village, Barbil Tahsil, Kendujhar District of Odisha State.

Sir, The following provisions of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment), 2021 were found violated in respect of the above said mine during inspection on 25.07.2025 by the undersigned, in presence of Sh. Abanikanta Pradhan, Agent, Sh, Satyasiba Das, Mines Manager, Sh. Subhendu Kumar Sahoo, Mining Engineer, Sh, Omkar Narayan Behera, Geologist and other mining officials. The Mining Plan was approved vide letter no. BBS/KJR/IRON/2195/RMP/2022-23 dated 24.01.2023 for the period 2023-24 to 2027-28. The mining operations are not being carried out in accordance with the approved mining plan. The deviations observed in mining operations vis-à-vis the approved document are given below.

Summary of Violations :

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviati on	Rule	Reason
Development - Opencast: Location of development w.r.t. lease area	Pit : KMC Quarry & Direction : East West, Pit : Bansi Top Quarry & Direction : North South	KMC quarry: 500 MRL 3 36551.7 67E to 336790. 731E 2 429716. 173N to 242430 003.31 N Top quarry: 600 MRL 3 36422.0 91E to 336676. 178E 2 430840. 072N to 243104 8.987N	(i) It was proposed maximum depth of working to be carried out up to 490m RL during the year 2024-25, between 336451 E to 336718E & 2429 717N to 242989 4N in KMC quarry, but during the site inspection it was observed that mining has been carried out only up to 51	Rule 11(1),	Development has not been carried out as per the approved proposal.

5mRL for which vertical extensions of the proposed pit has been deviated. Also, it is observed that working has been carried out between 336553 E to 336617E and 2429817N to 2429894N in the KMC quarry which is outside the proposed excavation area. (ii) For the year 2024-25 it was proposed to excavat

			<p>e between 336313 E to 33 6815E and 243 0592N to 2431 079N in Banspa ni Top Quarry during the site inspecti on it is observe d that e xcavati on has been carried out between 336321 E to 33 6603E and 243 0592N to 2431 079N, which was the propose d excav ation area for the year 2023-2 4.</p>		
Development - Opencast: Quantity of	498160. 00	425609	During the year 2024-2	Rule 11(1),	Actual generated of waste is less than the proposed waste quantity.

<p>overburden generation in m³</p>		<p>5, the waste of 425609Cum. has been generated against the proposal of 498160Cum. It is observed that the actual generation of waste is only 85%.</p>		
<p>Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Quantity of mineral reject/Sub-grade generation</p>	<p>326930</p>	<p>20000</p>	<p>For the Year 2024-25, It is observed that the actual ROM production of 900000 tonnes including Mineral Reject (+45 to -55% Fe- 20000tonnes as</p>	<p>Rule 11(1), Less generation of mineral reject with respect to approved proposal.</p>

reported in AR-2024-25) has been carried out against the proposal of 100 000 tonnes of ROM production including Mineral Reject (+45 to -55% Fe-326930 tonnes). Hence, it is observed that there is a major variation in grade of Iron Ore (Mineral Reject, +45 to -55% Fe) produced in the mine

			with respect to the approved proposal		
OB / Waste Dumps details: Location of Topsoil, OB/Waste, Mineral Reject dumps, Tailings and Fines	Dump Type : Waste, Dump ID : KMC Backfill, Latitude : 21:57:53.83, Longitude : 85:24:02.73	Dump Valley: 580 MRL 3 36421.7 91E to 336709.849E 2 430014.504N to 243034.3.995N Dump North: 570 MRL 3 36569.2 15E to 336653.595E 2 431265.732N to 243140.0.687N	It is observed during inspection that mobile screen plants were deployed and mineral stacking have been carried out on the WD-1 between (33638 5E to 336683E and 2429992N to 2430364N) which is the earmarked location for waste dumping.	Rule 11(1),	Mineral processing and stacking have been carried out on the waste dump.
OB / Waste Dumps details:	Year : 2024-20	Nil	It was proposed	Rule 11(1),	Dump stabilization work has not been carried out as per the

Number of dumps proposed for stabilised	25, Dump ID : WD-2		during the year 2024-25 to stabilised 2 nos of terraces of the WD-2 waste dump with 150m of toe wall, 150m of garland drains and with 1 no of check dam, which has not been carried out.	proposal.
Solid Waste Management - Backfilling (Opencast): Year-wise area under backfilling of mined out area	Pit ID : KMC Quarry, Area Proposed : 2300.00	No backfilling work has been carried out as per the approved proposal.	During the year 2024-25, it was proposed to backfill 0.23ha. area in KMC quarry, during the site inspecti	Rule 11(1), No backfilling work has been carried out as per the proposal.

			on it is observed that no back filling work has been carried out.	
34A. Digital aerial images of mining lease area.	Nil	Nil	Drone survey data submitted for the year 2023-24 and 2024-25 has been examined and found that there is an elevation difference is more than 5m between two DTM. Which needs to be clarified.	Error in DAI.

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 violation of Rule 11(1) may also attract provisions of Rule 11(2) of MCDR, 2017 regarding suspension of mining operations till the compliance of violations. 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 issuance of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

(ROHITA SETHI, BHUBANESHWAR)
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Esigned by: ROHITA
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