

**Violation Notice Letter**

**By e-mail**

**भारत सरकार / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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BHUBANESHWAR**

**File**

Date : 23/10/2025

**No.:** MCDR-MiFL0FE/25/2022-BBS-IBM\_RO\_BBS

To: Shri/M/s. Mr Anirban  
Dasgupta, Nominated Owner,  
STEEL AUTHORITY OF  
INDIA LIMITED (SAIL),  
ISPAT BHAWAN, ,LODI  
ROAD, NEW DELHI, Taldihi  
Village & Mandal, Sundargarh  
district, Odisha,- 110003

**Subject :** Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment), 2021 in respect of your Taldih Iron Mine (30ORI13053) over an area of 1167.742Ha in Tensa Village, Koira, Tehsil Sundargarh 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 18.09.2025 by the undersigned, in presence of Shri Rajesh Kumar, GM Mining, Shri A. K. Tiwary, Mines Manager, Mrs. Subhasmita Das, Geologist, and other mining officials.

**Summary of Violations :**

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviati on	Rule	Reason
Development - Opencast: Quantity of overburden generation in m3	816340	290077.960	During the year 2024-25, the waste of 290077.96C um has been generated against the proposa l of 816340Cu m. It is observe d that the actual g eneratio n of waste is only 35.53% of the p roposed waste.	Rule 11(1),	
Development - Opencast: Quantity of topsoil generation in m3	90190.00	0	During the year 2024-25, no topsoil has been generated against the proposa	Rule 11(1),	

			1 of 901 90Cum.		
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Quantity of ROM mineral production proposed (in T)	799978 1	172270 7.180	For the Year 20 24-25, It is obs erved that the actual ROM p roducti on of 1 722707. 180 tonnes i ncludin g Mineral Reject (+45 to -57% F e-16750 0tonnes ) has been carried out against the proposa l of 799 9781ton nes of ROM p roducti on inclu ding Mineral Reject (+45 to -57% F e-25094 72tonne	Rule 11(1),	

			<p>s). Hence, it is observed that only 21.53% ROM production quantity has been achieved. Also, there is a major variation in grade of Iron Ore (Mineral Reject, +45 to -57% Fe) produced in the mine with respect to the approved proposal.</p>		
Annual Return: Whether incomplete or false or wrong returns submitted (Rule 45(7))	To be submitted correctly	Reserve and resource reported in the annual	On scrutiny of the annual returns submitted under	Rule 45(7),	

return i ncorrect ly.	Rule 45 (5)(c)(ii) ) of MCDR 2017 for the year 2024-2 5 the fo llowing deficien cies were ob served. Item-2 of Part V (Gen eral Geolog y & Mi ning): The details of Mineral Reserve s and R esource s estima ted for Iron ore at the end of the year has not been reporte d correc tly as per the last app roved d ocumen
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respect of 55% to below 58% Fe (Fines), however in item no.5. (Sales-Dispatches effected for Domestic Purpose s and for Exports), it is reported that 40359.45 tonnes of 55% to below 58% Fe (Fines) as domestic sale. Also, in Item No. 3(ii) it is reported that 58206.100tonnes of 58%

		to below 60% Fe (fines) has been dis patched , howeve r in in item no. 5 it is reporte d that 5 8206.1t onnes has been used for captive consum ption and 163 45.6ton nes as d omestic sale.	
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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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 Signed by: ROHITA  
Date: 24/10/2025 10:36:03 AM