

Violation Notice Letter

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BHUBANESHWAR**

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Date : 13/10/2025

To: Shri/M/s. N/A,
Nominated Owner, Indrani,
A/6, Commercial Estate ,Civil
Township, Rourkela,
Unchabali Village & Mandal,
Kendujhar district, Odisha,-
769004

Subject : Violation of provisions of MCDR, 2017 read with MCDR (Amendment), 2021 in respect of your Unchabali Iron & Manganese Ore Mine (Mine Code: 30ORI08100) of M/s. Smt. Indrani Patnaik Over an area of 106.112ha in Unchabali Village, Barbil Tahsil, Keonjhar 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 16.09.2025 by the undersigned, in presence of Sh. A. Gurubalasubramaniam, Mines Manager, and other mining officials.

Summary of Violations :

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviati on	Rule	Reason
Exploration: UNFC category wise reported Resources/Reserves as per MP/MMP ROMP Total Reserves (111, 121 & 122) and Total Mineral Resources (331, 332 & 333 upto 334)	IRON ORE - Total Reserve as on 30 /11/202 2 111-5 140396tonnes, 1 21-510 64640 (BHJ) Total R esource 211-10 4932.8tonnes, 2 21-146 85440tonnes manganese ore-Nil	IRON ORE - Total Reserve as on 31 /03/202 5 111-3 890416tonnes, 1 21-510 64640 (BHJ) Total R esource 211-10 4932.8tonnes, 2 21-146 85440tonnes manganese ore-Nil	Item-2 of Part V (General Geology & Mining): The details of Mineral Reserves and Resources estimated for iron ore at the end of the year has not been reported correctly as per the last approved document after depleting the production from the Reserve part achieved subsequently	Rule 45(7),	

			tly up to 31/03/2025. The same may be rectified.		
Development - Opencast: Quantity of overburden generation in m3	81218.78	160020	During the year 2024-25, the waste of 160020Cum has been generated against the proposal of 81218.78Cum. It is observed that the actual generation of waste is more than 97% of the proposed waste.	Rule 11(1),	
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Quantity of ROM mineral production	1000752.70	131730	For the Year 2024-25, It is observed	Rule 11(1),	

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that the actual ROM production of 131730 tonnes including Mineral Reject (+45 to -55% Fe-47640 tonnes) has been carried out against the proposal of 1000752.70 tonnes of ROM production including Mineral Reject (+45 to -55% Fe-97776 tonnes). Hence, it is observed that only 13.16% ROM p

			<p>production quantity has been achieved. Also 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.</p>		
<p>Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Whether height of benches in Overburden & mineral suitable for method of mining proposed in mining plan</p>	<p>Bench height in Mineral and OB -10m</p>	<p>Bench height has not been maintained as per the proposal</p>	<p>During the site inspection it was observed that benches formation in the existing pit is irregular and</p>	<p>Rule 11(1),</p>	

			have not been advanced systematically as per the proposal.		
OB / Waste Dumps details: Location of Topsoil, OB/Waste, Mineral Reject dumps, Tailings and Fines	Dump Type : Waste, Dump ID : waste dump, Latitude : 21:52:21.21, 21:52:24.33, Longitude: 85:25:53.72	During the reporting year waste dumping has not been carried out on the earmarked area.	During the site inspection it was observed that complete waste material dumping has been carried out on the existing waste dump instead of the proposed earmarked area for waste dumping i.e. between 337852 E to 338017E and 2419434N	Rule 11(1),	

			to 2419 652N.		
Annual Return: Whether incomplete or false or wrong returns submitted (Rule 45(7))	To be s ubmitte d correc tly	Annua Return for the year 2024-2 5 has not been su bmitted correctl y.	On scrutiny of the annual return s ubmitte d under Rule 45 (5)(c)(ii) of MCDR 2017 for the year 2024-2 5 the fo llowing deficien cies were ob served. 1.Item- 12 of Part I (General): From the last approve d Review and upd ation of mining plan it is obser ved that area put on use at start of plan period	Rule 45(7),	

for under mining was 46.77ha , OB dump site-22.48ha, whereas in submitted annual return for the year 2024-25 it is reported that area under current (O-C) working -34.974 ha, use for waste disposal-22.598ha . 2.The submitted KML/KMZ file has not been prepared correctly. Only Mining Lease b

boundary layers have been given. 3.Item-2 of Part V (General Geology & Mining): The details of Mineral Reserves and Resources estimated for Iron ore at the end of the year has not been reported correctly as per the last approved document after depleting the production from the Reserve part achieved su

bsequently up to 31/03/2025. 4.Item-1.Exploration: No exploration cost has been reported against the drilled boreholes. 5.Part-VII-Cost of Production: Also the exploration cost has not been considered for calculation of cost of production. 6.Since there is discrepancy in the reported exploration

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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.

Esigned by: ROHITA
Date: 13/10/2025 03:24:19 PM

Yours faithfully,

(ROHITA SETHI, BHUBANESHWAR)
ACOM