

Violation Notice Letter

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DEHRADUN

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Date : 05/03/2026

To: Shri/M/s. N/A, Nominated Owner,
ARUN, House No.21, Ward No. 3 ,Badri
Nagar,, Paonta Sahib, Chauki Mirgwal (17)
Village & Mandal, Sirmaur district,
Himachal Pradesh,- 173025

Subject: Violation of provision of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your 38HPR10065(38HPR10065) over an extent of 3.9 ha in Chauki Mirgwal (17) in , Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh

Sir, The above mine was inspected on 17.12.2025 by Tamal Sur, AMG in the presence of Shri Birbahadur Yadav, Mine Manager and during the inspection, the following provisions of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 were found to be violated.

Summary of Violations :

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviation	Rule	Reason
Annual Return: Whether incomplete or false or wrong returns submitted (Rule 45(7))	Furnished	In the PART-V (General Geology & Mining) section, under point 2 Reserves and Resources estimated in tonnes the depletion of reserves during the reporting year is shown as 19765 tonnes. While under PART-VI (PRODUCTION, DESPATCHES AND STOCKS) (LIMESTONE) section, in point 2. Production and Stocks of ROM ore at Mine-head, the production values changes to 19355 tonnes.	Inconsistency of production of limestone values has been observed during scrutiny of returns. Clarify the discrepancy observed under section PART-V (General Geology & Mining) and section PART-VI (PRODUCTION, DESPATCHES AND STOCKS) (LIMESTONE). Total deviation is 410 tonnes.	Rule 45(7),	Inconsistency of production of limestone values has been observed during scrutiny of returns. Clarify the discrepancy observed under section PART-V (General Geology & Mining) and section PART-VI (PRODUCTION, DESPATCHES AND STOCKS) (LIMESTONE).
Environment: Use of overburden, waste rock, rejects and fines dumps for restoring the land to its original use	Total 3015m3 of interbedded waste generation has been proposed which are mostly soft shale and schistose rocks. It is proposed to use the waste to maintain haul road, making parapet wall, check dams.	Only 164m3 of waste has been generated which has been used for backfilling as per annual return of the reporting year.		Rule 11(1),	The details of the backfillings done requires to be clarified. No parapet wall observed during inspection.

Exploitation - Dump Working: Quantity of dump material handling Proposed (in Tonne)	Total 3015m ³ (Approximately 6,783.75 tonne) of interbedded shale and schist has been proposed to be generated as per approved mining plan.	Total 164m ³ (Approximately 369 tonne) has been generated as per annual return of the reporting year.	6,414.75	Rule 11(1),	The actual value is way less than anticipated interbedded waste generation. Please clarify.
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Whether height of benches in Overburden & mineral suitable for method of mining proposed in mining plan	Bench height and width proposed to be 5m and 6m to 8m respectively and open cast mining method has been proposed.	Mining is done broadly as proposed But Bench height between pillar 1 and 2 is higher than what is proposed.	5m	Rule 11(1),	Bench height observed to be at least 10 meters.
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Quantity of ROM mineral production proposed (in T)	67837 Tonnes ROM mineral production proposed for the reporting year.	19765 tonnes ROM mineral produced as per annual return for the reporting year.	48072 tonnes deviation (Only 29% production achieved)	Rule 11(1),	Production done is significantly lower than what was proposed in the approved mining plan.
Development - Opencast: Stripping ratio : ore to OB ratio	1:0.1	53.56 (8784.4:164)	Yes	Rule 11(1),	Production and overburden, both are very much less than the proposal.
Development - Opencast: Quantity of overburden generation in m ³	3015 m ³ proposed	164 m ³ generated	2851 m ³	Rule 11(1),	Only 5% overburden produced compared to the proposal limit. A clarification is required for that.

1) In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017. 2) The mining operations can be suspended under the rule 11(1) and 45(7) of MCDR-2017, if compliance of 11(1) and 45(7) of MCDR-2017 is not found satisfactory. 3) 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,

(Matiul Islam, DEHRADUN)
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Esigned by: Matiul
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