

Show Cause Notice Letter

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क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक कार्यालय / OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CONTROLLER OF MINES,
GANDHINAGAR**

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Date : 05/05/2026

No.: MCDR-MiFL0BXT/53/2022-GNR-IBM_RO_GNR

To: Shri/M/s. Mr Manubhai
Sumabhai Rathod, Nominated
Owner, ORIENT
ABRASIVES LIMITED,
GIDC INDUSTRIAL AREA
,PORBANDAR,
PORBANDAR, Lamba
Village & Mandal, Devbhumi
Dwarka district, Gujarat,-
360577

Subject : Violation of provision of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your 07GUJ07020(07GUJ07020) over an extent of 32.38 ha in Lamba in GANDHINAGAR, Devbhumi Dwarka, Gujarat.

महोदय, आपकी उपरोक्त खान का SDF and MCDR नरीक्षण अधोहस्ताक्षरी द्वारा दिनांक 12.12.2025 को Mr. Gunananda Roy (Mine Agent) की उपस्थिति में किया गया तथा उक्त नरीक्षण के समय खनजि संरक्षण एवं विकास नियमावली, 2017 के नमिनलखिति नियमों का उल्लंघन पाया गया;

Summary of Violations :

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviati on	Rule	Reason	Status
Annual Return: Appointment of Mining Engineer & Geologist as per provisions of Rule 55 of MCDR,2017	No information given in AR 2024-25 regarding appointment of Mining Engineer & Geologist as per provisions of Rule 55 of MCDR,2017	Appointment of Mining Engineer: Mehul Goswami & Geologist : Rajiv Songara	No information given in AR 2024-25 regarding appointment of Mining Engineer & Geologist as per provisions of Rule 55 of MCDR,2017	Rule 45(7), Rule 55(1),	As per Rule 55(1) of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules (MCDR), 2017, every holder of a mining lease is required to employ, in the case of category A; mines with a leased area equal to or exceeding twenty-five hectares, a full-time Mining Engineer and a Geologist. However, in the Annual Return for the year 2024–25, no information has been provided regarding the appointment of a Mining Engineer and Geologist for the said period.	Complied
Progressive Mine Closure Plan: Rehabilitation by making water reservoir	0.6838 Ha	Nil	0.6838 Ha	Rule 11(1),	In 2024-25, a proposal was made in the Approved Review of Mining Plan (MP-267) Proposals approved dated: 15/06/2020 for period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025, for Rehabilitation by making water	Not Complied

					reservoir in an area of 0.6838 Ha however, the lessee did not carry out any such activity during that period.	
Solid Waste Management - Backfilling (Opencast): Year-wise area under backfilling of mined out area	0.161	0	0.161	Rule 11(1),	In 2024-25, a proposal was made in the Approved Review of Mining Plan (MP-267) Proposals approved dated: 15/06/2020 for period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025, for backfilling in the mined-out area of 0.161Ha however, the lessee did not carry out any such activity during that period.	Not Complied
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Quantity of ROM mineral production proposed (in T)	51285	90	51195.00	Rule 11(1),	A proposal was made in the Approved Review of Mining Plan (MP-267) Proposals approved dated: 15/06/2020 for period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025, to produce 51285 tonnes of ore from Pit 1 in 2024-25; however, the lessee produced only 90 tonnes from Pit ID PP3 during that period.	Not Complied
Development -	3419	0	3419.00	Rule 11(1),	In the Approved	Not

Opencast: Quantity of topsoil generation in m3			0		Review of Mining Plan (MP-267) Proposals approved dated: 15/06/2020 for period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025, there was a proposal to generate 3419 cubic meters of topsoil in 2024-25; however, this activity was not undertaken.	Complied
Development - Opencast: Location of development w.r.t. lease area	Pit No-1, Grid: S117 to W440 & S117 to W 290	Nil	Pit No-1, Grid: S117 to W440 & S117 to W 290	Rule 11(1),	The following development activities were not carried out as per the Approved Review of Mining Plan (MP-267) Proposals approved dated: 15/06/2020 for period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025. Development was proposed at the following locations: Pit No-1, Grid: S117 to W440 & S117 to W 290.	Not Complied

2. The applicant's reply has been received, but your response to the violation is unsatisfactory; therefore, a Show Cause Notice has been issued. 3. In this connection, it is brought to your kind notice that:- a) the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62 of MCDR 2017 and/or; b) Mining operations can be suspended as per rule 11(2) of MCDR 2017 in case of noncompliance of above rules as these violations also affects provisions of Rule11(1) of MCDR 2017 and/or; c) You are advised to rectify the above violations immediately and intimate the compliance position to this office within 30 days from date of issue of this letter. 3. You are therefore directed to show cause within a period of thirty (30) days from the date of issue of this letter, as to why you should not be prosecuted and/or why the mining operation should not be suspended under relevant statutory provisions and/or why not any other appropriate action can be initiated in accordance with rules and/or any competent orders/directives. 4. This Show Cause Notice is being issued with the approval of the Regional Controller of Mines. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(Debajyoti Nayak, GANDHINAGAR)
Junior Mining Geologist

Esigned by: Debajyoti Date: 05/05/2026 02:57:34 PM
