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

File No.: MCDR-MiFL0LSH/2/2023-DDN-
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Date : 28/04/2026

To: Shri/M/s. N/A,
Nominated Owner, M/s
FRIENDS MINERALS,
VILLAGE SHAMAH ,PO.
SHAWGA, KAMROO,
Shamahn Pamta (243) Village
& Mandal, Sirmaur district,
Himachal Pradesh,- 173025

Subject : Violation of provision of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017 in respect of your Bandla Limestone Mine having mine code 38HPR10001 over an extent of 4.96 ha in Shamahn Pamta Village & Mandal, Sirmaur District of Himachal Pradesh

The following provision of the MCDR, 2017, were found violated in your above mine during the inspection on 24/10/2025 by undersigned in presence of mine owner Shri Chander Mohan Sharma.

Summary of Violations :

Items for Reporting	As Per Plan	Actual	Deviation	Rule	Reason	Status
Digital Aerial Images	Shall be as per SOP	Not as per SOP	Resubmission in compliance of SOP required.	Rule 34(1),		Complied
Annual Return: Whether incomplete or false or wrong returns submitted (Rule 45(7))	Nil	In Part VI, Sl No 5, the Consignee Name has been furnished as that of the lessee.	Name of the actual consignee shall be furnished.	Rule 45(7),		Not Complied
Exploitation - Opencast Mine: Whether height of benches in Overburden & mineral suitable for method of mining proposed in mining plan	Max Ht proposed 3 mts Min width proposed 7 mts	Benchmarks as high as 10 mts were seen along the south-western side of the mine	Deviation from mining plan proposal	Rule 11(1),		Not Complied

02. In this connection, it is brought to your notice that the above violations constitute an offence punishable under Rule 62(1) of Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules, 2024, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to rupees five lakhs, or with both, and in the case of a continuing contravention, with additional fine which may extend to rupees fifty thousand for every day during which such contravention continues after conviction for the first such contravention. 03. The mining operations can be suspended under Rule 11(2) & 45(7) if compliance of rule is not found satisfactory. 04. You are, therefore, directed to show cause within a period of 30 days from the date of issue of this letter, as to why you should not be prosecuted for the above offence. 05. Please note that no further notice will be given to you in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(Matiul Islam, DEHRADUN)
Sr ACOM

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