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MCDR-MiFLOLST/42/2022-GNR-IBM_RO_GNR

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विषय- गुजरात राज्य के देवभूमि द्वाराका जिले में स्थित आपकी Ranpur [211/216] Limestone Mine खदान 373.6 हे. में खनिज संरक्षण एवं विकास नियमावली 2017 के नियमों के उल्लंघन के संबंध में-

महोदय,

उपलब्ध कार्यालय अभिलेखों की जाँच के दौरान यह पाया गया है कि आपकी उपर्युक्त खदान में खनिज संरक्षण एवं विकास नियम, 2017 के निम्नलिखित प्रावधानों का उल्लंघन किया है। उक्त उल्लंघनों के संबंध में MCDR-MiFLOLST/42/2022-GNR-IBM_RO_GNR दिनांक 19.05.2026 के माध्यम से उल्लंघन पत्र जारी किया गया था।

Rule No.	Nature of Violation observed
27(1)	<i>A financial assurance shall be furnished by the holder of the mining lease, for due and proper implementation of the progressive mine closure plan contained in the mining plan or the final mine closure plan, as the case may be, which shall be an amount of five lakh rupees for Category 'A' mines and three lakh rupees for Category 'B' mines, per hectare of the mining lease area put to use for mining and allied activities.</i> <i>Provided that the minimum amount of financial Assurance to be furnished under sub-rule (1), shall be ten lakh rupees for category 'A' mines and Five lakh rupees for category 'B' mines.</i> That failure to submit valid financial assurance within the stipulated time shall attract action under the provisions of Act and Rules and all such cases shall be referred to the respective State Governments for taking necessary action against the defaulter mining lease holders. However, in your case, there is no valid Bank Guarantee available with this office, therefore the new bank guarantee shall be submitted to this office for a validity period up to 31.03.2030 (or as co-terminus with Mine plan/FMCP whichever date is later and one year extra claim period from the validity period. (i.e., upto 31-03-2031)
21(4)	<i>"The holder of a mining lease shall not abandon a mine unless a final mine closure plan duly approved by the competent authority, is implemented, and for this purpose, the lessee shall be required to obtain a certificate from the authorised officer, as the case may be, to the effect that protective, reclamation and rehabilitation work in accordance with the final mine closure plan or with such modifications as approved by the competent authority have been carried out before abandonment of mine."</i> However, it is observed that the mine has remained non-operational for a long period of time. Therefore, in terms of the above provision, the mine shall not be abandoned unless the FMCP, duly approved by the competent authority, has been fully implemented.

However, a reply to the aforesaid violation letter was received in this office through e-mail on 02.07.2026. The reply has been examined and found to be unsatisfactory. Therefore, it appears that you have failed to comply with the provisions of Rule 27(1) and 21(4) of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 2017.

2) इस संदर्भ में आपका ध्यान आकर्षित किया जाता है कि उपरोक्त नियमों का उल्लंघन खनिज संरक्षण एवं विकास नियमावली 2017 के नियम 62 के अंतर्गत शास्ति का भागीदार है एवं खान और खनिज शास्ति का न्यायनिर्णयन विनियम- 2026 के प्रावधानों के अनुसार जुर्माना लगाया जा सकता है।

In this regard, your attention is drawn to the fact that any violation of the aforementioned rules attracts a penalty under Rule 62 of the Minerals (Conservation and Development) Rules, 2017 and shall be liable to a penalty in accordance with the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Adjudication of Penalties) Regulations, 2026.

3) Mining operations may be suspended under Rule 11(2) if compliance with Rule 27(1) & 21(4) is not satisfactory. State Government may also be informed for further action as mentioned above as per the provisions of statute.

4) You are hereby directed to **show cause within 30 days** of issue of this letter, as to why action should not be taken against you for the above violations.

5) No further notice will be issued in this regard.

This letter is issued with the approval of the Regional Controller of Mines.

भवदीय/Yours faithfully,

Digitally signed by
Sunil Kumar Sharma
Date: 02-09-2026
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प्रतिलिपि -सुचनार्थ एवम आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु।

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