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No.279/272/91/BNG/1093

To:

✓ M/s. Vedanta Limited,
Sesa Ghor, 20 EDC Complex,
Patto PanjimpGoa,
Goa-403 001.

Sub: Approval of **Modifications to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan** in respect of your **Vedanta Iron Ore Mine (ML No. 2677)** over an area of 160.59 Ha.(161.54Ha As per CEC Sketch) in Megalahalli, Bommavvanagathihalli and Madakeripura villages, Chitradurga & Holalkere Taluks, Chitradurga District, Karnataka State submitted for approval under 17(3) of MCR, 2016.

Ref: Your Letter No. Nil dated 18/06/2018 submitting final bound copies of "Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan" in respect of aforesaid lease.

Sir,

In exercise of the power conferred by Rule 17 of Minerals (Other than Atomic and Hydrocarbon Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016, vide Gazette Notification No. S.O.1857 (E) dtd.18/05/2016 issued by Controller General IBM, under F. No. T-43004/CGBM/MM (DR)/2015, I hereby **Approve** the Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan along with Progressive Mine Closure Plan in respect of **Vedanta Iron Ore Mine (ML No. 2677)** over an area of 160.59 Ha. (161.54Ha As per CEC Sketch) in Megalahalli, Bommavvanagathihalli and Madakeripura villages, Chitradurga & Holalkere Taluks, Chitradurga District, Karnataka State submitted for approval under rule 17(3) of MCR, 2016. This approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is approved without prejudice to any other laws applicable to the mine area from time to time whether made by the Central Government, State Government or any other authority and **without prejudice to any order or direction from any court of competent jurisdiction.**
2. The proposals shown on the plates and given in the document is based on the lease sketch submitted by the lessee and is applicable from the date of approval.
3. It is clarified that this approval of aforesaid Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan does not in any way imply the approval of the Government in terms of any other provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, or Minerals (other than Atomic and Hydrocarbon Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016 and any other laws including Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 or the rules made there under, Mines Act, 1952 and Rules & Regulations made there under.

4. Indian Bureau of Mines has not undertaken verification of the mining lease boundary on the ground and does not undertake any responsibility regarding correctness of the boundaries of the leasehold shown on the ground with references to lease map & other plans furnished by the lessee.
5. At any stage, if it is observed that the information furnished, data incorporated in the document are incorrect or misrepresent facts, the approval of the document shall be revoked with immediate effect.
6. A copy of EIA/EMP report approved by MOEF, New Delhi should be submitted to this office within one month of its approval along with a copy of their approval letter.
7. Provisions of the Mines Act, 1952 and Rule & Regulations made there under including submission of notice of opening, appointment of manager and other statutory officials as required by the Mines Act, 1952 shall be complied with.
8. The Approval of Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is strictly confined to the proposals contained within the mining leasehold demarcated as per lease sketch given by the joint survey team constituted by the CEC and duly authenticated by the State DMG. It does not convey approval to the proposals falling outside the Mining Lease boundary.
9. The Approval of Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is without prejudice to the final order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dtd.18/04/2013 in W.P.No. 562/2009 and interim orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court from time to time in the said W.P. Nos. 25910/2009 and 26083/2009.
10. The Approval of Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is subject to the condition that mining operations and other allied activities shall not be extended in unbroken forest area in compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dtd 18/04/2013 in W.P.No .562/2009.
11. The Environmental Monitoring Cell of the Company shall continue monitoring ambient air quality, dust fall rate, water quality, soil sample analysis and noise level measurements on various stations established for the purpose both in the core zone and buffer zone, as per Department of Environment guidelines and keeping in view IBM's Circular No. 3/92, season-wise every year or by engaging the services of an Environmental laboratory approved by MOEF/ CPCB. The data so generated shall be maintained in a bound paged register kept for the purpose and the same shall be made available to the inspecting officer on demand.
12. The execution of Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan shall be subjected to vacation of prohibitory orders/ notices, if any.
13. A yearly report shall be submitted to this office, before 1st July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan.
14. In case the Mining lease falls within a radius of 10 kms of National Park/ sanctuary, recommendations of NBWL have to be obtained as per the Order of Hon'ble Supreme Court in I.A.No 460/2004.

15. The contents of Circular No 2/2010 issued by the Chief Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur vide his letter No- 11013/3/MP/90-CCOM VOL-VII dated 06.04.2010 shall be complied with.
16. The Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is approved for proposals contained therein and as applicable from the date of approval of the document for the mining activities to be carried out within the mining leasehold.
17. You shall maintain the boundary pillars as required under Rule 12 of Minerals (other than Atomic & Hydro Carbons Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016.
18. Next Financial Assurance shall be due for submission on 01/04/2022.
19. The Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan is approved for total mineral reserves of 103.657 Million tonnes of Hematitic Iron Ore & 23.073 Million tonnes of Hematitic Silicious ore and the proposals are valid for the following period with respective production capacity.

Year	Iron Ore (Total: Hematitic & Hematitic Siliceous)
2018-19	4508804
2019-20	4506421
2020-21	4508400
2021-22	4509900

Yours faithfully,

Encl: One copy of the Approved Modification to the Approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan.

(G.C.Meena)

Regional Controller of Mines
Indian Bureau of Mines

Copy for kind information to:

1. The Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore, along with a copy of the approved Modification to the approved Review and Updation of Mining Plan.
2. The Director of Mines Safety, Directorate General of Mines Safety, Bellary Sub- Region, 31, Infantry Road, Cantonment, Bellary - 584104.
3. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore along with soft copy in CD form.
4. Sri. Sripad Pujar & Sri BVR Achar, QP's, Chaithanya Geo Lynx, II Floor, 'Chaithanya Bhavan', Annapurna Badavane, Chitwadgi, Hospet- 583 201.
5. Mine file / Guard file

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