

10.5.2013

**Status of Compliance from Oct-2012 to March -2013 of Environmental
Condition laid down by MOEF**

Tatijharia Bauxite Mine

The status of compliance of the conditions (as per point no.3) with reference to the environment clearance letter no.J-11015/337/2007-IA. II(M) dated 9.8.2012 of Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi, to maintain the production capacity of Tatijharia Bauxite Mine as under.

A Specific condition:-

- (i) The wild life management plan has been prepared and submitted for approval.
- (ii) We accept the condition.
- (iii) The conservation plan for schedule I fauna have been prepared. The authenticated list of flora and fauna for core and buffer zone is enclosed for perusal please. (Annexure- VI).
- (iv) The mining operation is restricted to well above ground water table during currency of mining operation. The ultimate depth of working will be about 14 meters below whereas the water table in the core zone is about 50-52 meters.
- (v) Top soil and solid waste is being utilized for simultaneous back filling of mined out area for reclamation purpose and practice is followed.
- (vi) OB is stacked at earmark location and slope of dump is maintained less than 28 degree. All protective measure such as retaining walls, bunds and also plantation on available land are being taken to prevent erosion of soil.
- (vii) Garland drains have been made around the active mining pits coupled with arrester to arrest silt from soil and dumps are maintained. The garland drains are regularly desilted before the monsoon.

- (viii) We undertake that no natural water course is obstructed during mining operation.
- (ix) Controlled blasting is in practiced in the mine. Dust extractors are being used during drilling operations. Cord relay & effective blast design are used to control blast vibration and fly rocks. Blasting is carried out only in day hours.
- (x) The plantation in reclaimed area is carried out as per plan and is carried out as suggested. The density is being maintained about 2500 plant per hectare with the species like jatorpha, Kasia-Samia, mango, babul, pears, & guava etc. Social forestry is also being encouraged among the local villagers.
- (xi) The ground water table does not intersect during our mining operation because of shallow depth of mining
- (xii) Regular water spraying with 12 KL water tanker in the mine lease hold area is being carried out regularly to control air pollution. The ambient air quality is within the stipulated norms.
- (xiii) Regular monitoring of ground water quality is being carried out. The analysis reports are being submitted to Regional Office, CECB, Ambikapur and other regulating authority.
- (xiv) Till date three rain water harvesting ponds has been made at lease area.
- (xv) If required, the permission will be taken from competent authority.
- (xvi) No endanger fauna is present in mines area however all possible measures is taken to prevent ecological status of project area.
- (xvii) Regular and periodic maintenance of HEMM is being carried out for control of vehicular emission in mines area. The bauxite ore are transported in trucks with tarpaulin cover.
- (xviii) All workers are provided personal protective equipment and training are also being imparted to them for safety & health, sanitation and will be continued. Health awareness camps including HIV are organized for all workmen. One doctor having MBBS qualification has been appointed for facilitation of OHS. The records related to initial and periodical medical examination of all workmen is maintained.
- (xix) We accept the condition.

(B) General Condition.

- (i) No change in mining technology and scope of working will be done without approval of MOEF New Delhi.

- (ii) Calendar plan will be followed and there will not be any change in calendar plan.
- (iii) The suggestion of local forest department will be implemented for conservation of flora and fauna in and around lease hold area.
- (iv) Ambient Air quality monitoring is being carried out as per guideline and will be followed.
- (v) Data of ambient air quality (RPM, SPM, SO₂, Nox) are being submitted to CECB and will be submitted to other regulatory authorities as per guidelines.
- (vi) Fugitive dust emission from generating sources is being controlled. The dust extractor, wet drilling, regular water spraying with 12 KL water tanker in the mine lease hold area is being carried out regularly.
- (vii) The noise level in working are being maintained below the limit prescribed and will be maintained. The operators of HEMM are being provided earplug/muffs. The proper maintenance of HEMM is being carried out to control noise emission.
- (viii) No waste water is generated from the mine however as suggested measures will be taken if required.
- (ix) All workers are provided personal protective equipment and training are also being imparted to them for safety & health and will be continued as per guidelines.
- (x) Periodical and Initial medical examination of all workers are being carried out as per provision of Mines Act.
- (xi) Separate Environment cell is already in place at Samri Mines Division headed by GM (Mines) and comprises of suitable qualified persons.
- (xii) In case of final closure of mine the information will be submitted to Regional Office, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Bhopal.
- (xiii) Adequate fund provision is already earmarked for environmental protection measures and will not be diverted to other purpose. The year wise expenditure will be submitted to concern authorities as per guidelines.
- (xiv) The same will be intimated to Regional Office, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Bhopal.
- (xv) All cooperation is being extended to regulatory authorities and will be extended as earlier.
- (xvi) Although no suggestion/representation has been received by any Panchayat/Local NGO while processing the proposal. However we have

forwarded the copy of clearance letter to Panchayat in our area. The copy of same has been already submitted to your good office.

- (xvii) The copy has been displayed by CECB in Balrampur Collectorate.
- (xviii) The information regarding environment clearance has been published in two local new papers namely Hari Bhumi & Ambika Vani. The copy of same has been already submitted to your good office.

Hope the above compliance will be found in order.

Yours truly,
For Hindalco Industries Limited



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Agent of Mines.

Encl. : As Above