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To,
The Member Secretary
Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board
TA building, Ground floor,
HEC Complex, PO Dhurwa,
Ranchi-834003

Sub: Environment Statement for Meralgram Railway Siding of M/s Hindalco Industries Limited, District Garhwa for the financial year 2024-25.

Dear Sir,

This has reference to Rule 14 of Environment Protection Act 1986. We are submitting herewith Environment Statement in prescribed Form V for Meralgram Railway Siding of M/s Hindalco Industries Limited, District Garhwa for the financial year 2024-25.

Kindly acknowledge receipt for the same.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For **M/s Hindalco Industries Limited**

Anand Tiwari

Assistant Manager (Environment & Compliance)

Encl: As Above

CC:-

1. The Regional Officer, Jharkhand State Pollution Board, Dhurwa, Ranchi.

2. The Deputy Director General of Forests (C), MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi.

FORM-V (See Rule-14)

Environment Statement for the financial year ending the 31st March 2025

PART-A

(i)	Name & address of the owners/ occupier of the industry/operation/ process.	Meralgram Railway Siding M/s Hindalco Industries Limited District Garhwa, Jharkhand
(ii)	Industry Category: Primary (STC code), Secondary (SIC code)	-
(iii)	Production Capacity:	10.8 LTPA (Bauxite) - Only handling of bauxite for dispatch to the captive plant through railway wagon.
(iv)	Year of establishment	2000
(v)	Date of last environmental statement submitted	21-09-2024

PART-B

Water & Raw material Consumption

(i) Water Consumption (m³/day):

Process	Nil
Industrial (Sprinkling for Dust Suppression etc.)	7.7
Domestic (Drinking & Other)	1.1

Process: This is a railway siding only handling of bauxite for dispatch to captive plant, therefore water is not required for processing at siding.

Name of Products	Process water consumption per unit of product output		
	During the previous financial year (2023-24)	During the current financial year (2024-25)	
Bauxite	Nil	Nil	

Bauxite is a natural product. As such no water is required for processing at siding.

(ii) Raw Material Consumption

Name	of	raw	Name	of	Consumption of raw material per unit of output	
material	S		products		During the previous	During the current
					financial year (2023-24)	financial year (2024-25)
Not A	pplica	ble	Bauxite*		4,75,713 Ton	5,29,040 Ton

^{*}Dispatch quantity

As this is a railway siding and here, we receive bauxite from the mine and dispatch it to the captive plant. Therefore, no raw materials are required for processing at the siding.

PART-C

Pollutants discharge to environment/unit of output.
(Parameters as specified in the consent issued)

Pollutants	Quality of pollutants discharged (mass/day)	Concentrations of pollutants discharges (mass/volume)	Percentage of variation from prescribed standards with reasons
(a) Water	No wastewater is generated from process. Only Negligible amount of domestic wastewater is being generated and collected in Septic Tank and followed by Soak Pit.	Not applicable	Not applicable
(b) Air	Air monitoring is being carried out regularly, and reports of the same are timely submitted to your good office.		Not applicable

Remarks: The Monitoring results are well within prescribed limit.

PART-D

HAZARDOUS WASTE

(As specified under Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016)

	Total Quantity		
Hazardous wastes	During the previous financial year (2023-24)	During the current financial year (2024-25)	
(a) From process:			
Operation of Machines (Used/Spent Oil) *	280 Litre	210 Litre	
(b) From pollution control facilities	Not applicable	Not applicable	

PART-E

Solid Wastes

	Total Quantity (Ton)		
Solid wastes	During the previous financial year (2023-24)	During the current financial year (2024-25)	
(a) From process:	Nil	Nil	
(b) Form pollution Control facility	Nil	Nil	
(c) (1) Quantity recycled or re-utilized within the unit. (2) Sold (3) Disposed	Nil	Nil	

PART-F

Please specify the characterizations (in terms of composition of quantum) of hazardous as well as solid wastes and indicate disposal practice adopted for both these categories of wastes.

Hazardous Waste:

Total of 210 litres of used/spent oil (Category 5.1) has been generated & stored in closed barrels at an earmarked place with proper roofing and impervious flooring, and it is disposed of through JSPCB-authorized recyclers only.

> **Solid waste:** No solid waste generated from the process

PART-G

Impact of the pollution abatement measures taken on conservation of natural resources and on the cost of production:

- ➤ USEPA-approved PM10 analyzer has been installed at site to continuously monitor the ambient air quality and connected with JSPCB server to ensure compliance with environmental standards.
- ➤ Plantation programme has been carried out along the periphery of the premises, and approximately **850 nos.** saplings have been planted to date
- ➤ Water Sprinkling is being carried out by mobile water tanker.

<u>PART-H</u>

Additional measures/investment proposal for environmental protection including abatement of pollution, prevention of pollution:

The plantation program will continue based on the availability of land.

PART-I

Any other particulars for improving the quality of the environment.

The Meralgram Railway Siding comes under Hindalco Mines Division, Lohardaga, which is an ISO 14001:2015, ISO 9001:2008, OHSAS 18001:2007, and SA 8000:2008 certified company. Operating under a QEHS (Quality, Environment, Occupational Health & Safety) management system, all necessary measures are taken to conserve and improve the natural environment at all sites. The QEHS management system is implemented at all Hindalco Mines and Sidings, with operational control procedures in place to prevent and control pollution.

Environmental awareness and training programs are conducted to educate people on the importance of protecting the environment.