

**MINUTES OF THE REVIEW MEETING OF DDMS/MOS TAKEN UP BY THE HON'BLE MINISTER, STEEL & MINES & INDUSTRIES IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE DIRECTORATE OF GEOLOGY, ORISSA, BHUBANESWAR AT 10.30A.M.ON 31.05.2011.**

The review meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Minister, Steel & Mines & Industries. The members present in the meeting is **Annexed at 'A'**.

At the outset the Director of Mines, Orissa welcomed the Hon'ble Minister, Commissioner-cum-Secretary and other participating officers and opened the deliberations. The Minister, Steel & Mines and Commissioner-cum-Secretary emphasized on proper regulation of mining activities as per law and also the necessity of continuing enforcement measures.

After discussions the following decisions were taken :

1. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary directed that for review meeting standard format for various activities to be reviewed should be bound in one booklet and updated. Review meetings will be conducted on basis of such standardized information rather than ad-hoc collection of information.

**(Action-Director of Mines)**

2. The database on mining leases and trading licenses has been made online. Instructions have been issued for the procedure to be followed to update the data base. All DDMs / MOs to ensure that the system is implemented as directed. A Nodal Officer will be in charge of data updation. The DDM/MO will submit certificate of accreditation on data updation to the Director every month. The data available on status of lessees and licensees shall be taken as final & correct and DDM / MO shall be personally responsible if data is not updated as per procedure. As instructed earlier the data base should be updated as soon an order is passed in the file.

**(Action-All DDMs & MOs & IT, PMU)**

3. Progress on verification of M.L. boundaries by many of the Circle Officers was observed to be poor. Repeated instructions have been issued to complete

the tasks in a time bound manner. Distinction between joint verification by Mining, Revenue & Forest Departments and Mining Department alone has to be made. Separate monthly reports indicating date of inspection, name of the mines, name & designation of the officers with signature, irregularities found and action taken should be furnished to the Director. This job has to be completed in a time bound manner. An updated report on that activities should be submitted by the Director of Mines to the Department within a month.

SLES will also conduct periodical sample checking of lease boundaries and also boundary pillars.

**(Action-All Collectors,  
DDMs, MOs & SLES)**

4. All lessees and licensees will be mandatorily required to apply for transport permit in Form-'J' & Form-'H' respectively on-line w.e.f 01.06.11 in Joda mining circle. A detailed procedure to be followed for this by the office of Joda mining circle should be prescribed by the Director of Mines. Annual return in Form-'H' series (MCDR,1988) will also be required to be submitted on-line from 01.07.11 across the State by Lessees. An advertisement should be issued to this effect. All other returns like F-series, N & O (MCDR) A, A-1, A2, B&C (Administrative), F,N & O (OMPTS Rules) should also be made on-line in a span of 6 months or so.

**(Action- Director of Mines /  
All DDMs / MOs / IT, PMU)**

5. The Hon'ble Minister as well as the Commissioner expressed displeasure on laxity in ensuring verification of facts by DDMs/MOs while issuing transport permits and lack of proper scrutiny of statutory reports and returns which leave room for unscrupulous mineral trade practices. It was impressed upon all the Officers to take strictly action against those who are violating the OMPTS Rules, 2007.

In this context, the following decisions were taken for adopting a uniform procedure across the State;

- a) Ensuring systematic geometrical stacking at mine sites and storage depots. Storage depots are to keep different grades separately and not bled ores.
- b) Disallowing blending of higher grade Fe content iron ore with lean grade ore for export.
- c) Ensuring correct stack measurement taking all possible anomalies like compaction factor, void, density etc into consideration.
- d) Delegation of seizure power to AMOs/SIMs. Director of Mines may submit a proposal in this effect.

**(Action-All DDMs & MOs)**

6. It is seen that many lessees are showing sale less value as a result of which IBM publishes a lesser value for iron ore. Instructions have been issued to DDM/MO to check the 'F' form returns in relating to iron and manganese ore and ensure that proper information is provided failing which action as per law is to be taken. In case of leases which have long term agreement for supply of ore to a firm, the Director of Mines should write to IBM to remove their names from the list of mines based on whose reported PMV price IBM fixes the price of iron ore. There should be regular verification at published price of iron ore, chrome ore vis-à-vis actual market value by the Director of Mines and in case of anomalies these should be brought to the notice of Department. DDMs/MOs will regularly check such prices in Form-'F' series and apprise Director of any inconsistency for follow up action. As of now, DDM, Joda will verify the PMV prices of Sarda Mines, Kay Pee Enterprises, B.C.Deb and KJS Ahluwalia for last 2 years and submit a factual report to Director within 15 days.

**(Action-Director of Mines, All DDMs & MOs)**

7. The Hon'ble Minister observed that care should be taken by all the DDMs/MOs to make sure that annual approved quantity is never exceeded.

**(Action-All DDMs & MOs)**

8. Based on the actual target given by Government a realistic assessment of royalty collection basing upon approved quantities of production of minerals circle wise may be calculated by the Director of Mines.

**(Action-Director of Mines)**

9. Weighbridges of Joda, Koira, Baripada and Jajpur Road Circles have been rationalized and checking staff have been outsourced through OMC in the first two cases. For the latter two, staff should be provided by OMC. Two numbers of private weighbridges each in Jajpur Road and Baripada have been approved by Govt. M.D., OMC to provide checking staff.

Commissioner expressed dissatisfaction over the manner of functioning of Govt. weighbridges and opined that, proper infrastructure and human resource should be put in place for ensuring systematic checking of ore/mineral transport. All the DDM / MO should submit a circle wise plan along with map regarding the functioning weighbridges in the circle. In Koira circle Director of Mines should take up a plan for providing connectivity to the Government weighbridges and make them functional. All Government weighbridges / check gates should be made functional.

**(Action-Director of Mines, all DDMs & MOs)**

10. All trading licenses should have been verified in the field with respect to stock, transactions and various statutory clearances as directed by Govt. back in October, 2009. In case of violations, strict action shall be taken by DDM/MOs. An updated report to be submitted by Director of Mines to the Department.

**(Action- Director of Mines,  
All DDMs & MOs)**

11. District Level Task Force meetings should be held regularly and proceedings submitted to Director of Mines. It should also review verification of lease boundaries, trading licenses, joint inspection of mines etc. Follow up action on the report of SLES should be taken promptly by the field officers.

The enforcement activities by DDMs/MOs need to be further geared up. Instructions of SLES should be instantly executed by the circle offices under intimation to Director and monthly reports on enforcement activities should be submitted without fail and reviewed by the Director on a regular basis.

**(Action-All DDMs & MOs)**

12. As reported by CAG in its report in 2007-08 and SLES, M.O., Koira should act on the directions immediately on excess production and operation in forest area by two mines and furnish detailed report to the Director of Mines for further action.

**(Action-M.O, Koira)**

13. Director of Mines should also issue necessary instructions based on CAG report of 2007-08 & 2008-09 relating to Inspection of Mines by officers, strengthening of check posts & weighbridges etc.

**(Action- Director of Mines/  
All DDMs & MOs)**

14. All DDMs/MOs should not make any delay in submitting documents and reports on engagement of contractors in mining operation by lessees and whether they are violating provisions of rule-37 of MCR, 1960. They should have issued notices to all such lessees calling for documents and registers, balance sheets, profit-loss accounts and other records as directed by the Department.

Director of Mines has been authorized for engagement of Chattered Accountant for verifying the accounts and transactions. A guidelines based on the provisions of rules may be given by the Director of Mines to the Chattered Accountant who is carrying out the work to facilitate proper verification of such records.

**(Action- Director of Mines, All  
DDMs & MOs)**

15. As per rule-45 of MCDR, 1988, all transportation contractors will have to be registered. Director of Mines should submit a proposal in this regard for approval by Government immediately. Due to shortage of manpower, use of IT to be made for registration and maintenance of database of transporters.

**(Action- Director of Mines)**

16. Bid acceptance limit of Director/DDMs/MOs for disposal of seized and confiscated ores/minerals is to be proposed for enhancement. Director of Mines may submit a proposal to this effect.

**(Action-Director of Mines/  
Deptt. of Steel & Mines)**

17. A number of proposals are pending at Govt. level for approval of bid amount of confiscated ores and minerals and vehicles. The Commissioner asked the Director of Mines to compile a fresh list of such cases and all such cases shall be disposed of by the Department within one month

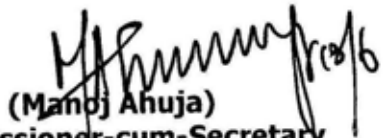
**(Action-Deptt. of Steel & Mines & D.M. Orissa)**

18. Digitization of lease boundaries should be expedited where boundary has been digitized, it should be verified with the actual ML maps should be handed over to ORSAC by the field officers. In case of discrepancies, Director of Mines should work out an action plan to do field verification and resolve the differences.









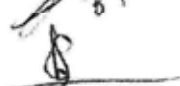


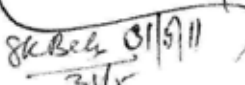

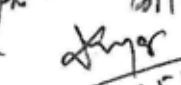

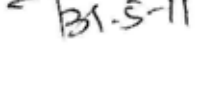
**(Action-Director of Mines, All DDMs & MOs)**

19. All DDMs & MOs should expedite submission of all wanting documents, information and reports pertaining to processing of RML applications separately those which are operational. They should also pursue pending cases with respective Collectors for early disposal.

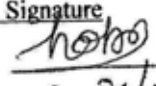

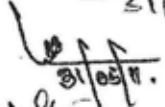
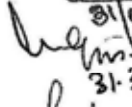
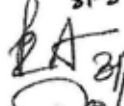
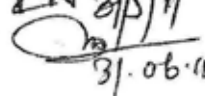
**(Action- All DDMs & MOs)**

  
(Manoj Ahuja)  
Commissioner-cum-Secretary

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6	M. R. Mishra	DY Director of Geology	 31.5.2011
7	M. K. Mohanty	Dy. Dir. Mines	 31.05.11
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9	S. N. Sahoo	JDM, Jajpur Road	 31/5/11
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15	Dr Jaydeb Dash	DDM, Sambalpur	 31/5/11
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