



**CENTRAL EMPOWERED COMMITTEE**  
Constituted by the Hon'ble SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

F.No. 2-75/CEC/SC/2020-Pt.XI (Vol.II)

Dated: 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023

To

The Chief Secretary  
Government of Karnataka  
Bangalore

**Sub: Enhancement of permissible production limit in respect of Category- "A" & "B" and auctioned mining leases.**

Sir

Please refer to Government of Karnataka, Commerce & Industries Department letter No. CI 03 MMM 2023 dated 7.10.2023 on the above subject. The CEC, after examining in detail the recommendations of the Technical Committee and report of the ICFRE and keeping in view the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 13.4.2012 and Judgment dated 18.4.2013, decision of CEC in the meeting held on 01.12.2015 & 7.12.2022 and the direction in Judgment dated 14.12.2017 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, hereby approves the revised permissible annual production in respect of following mining lease as per the details given below and subject to conditions in para 2.

Sl. No.	Name of Lessee, ML No.	Current PAP (in MMT)	Recommended PAP (in MMT)	Remarks
1.	M/s. R. Praveen Chandra, ML No. 2294	1.40	1.798	Based on reserves subject to production of EC for enhanced quantity
2.	M/s. S.A.Thawab & Co., ML No. 2488	0.0675	0.15	Based on EC Capacity
3.	M/s. JSW Steel Ltd., (auctioned mine, ML No. 014, old No. 2346)	1.00	3.66	Based on reserves subject to obtaining EC on the enhanced MPAP
4.	M/s.Sandur Manganese & Iron Ore Ltd., MI No. 2678	1.60	3.81	Based on reserves

5.	M/s. Sri Kumaraswamy Mineral Exports Pvt. Ltd., ML No. 2141	2.38	<b>2.80</b>	Based on road capacity
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2. The above approval is subject to the following conditions:

- a) the State Government will ensure that the sum total of annual production from all the lessees excluding the e-auctioned Category "C" mines, does not exceed 35 MMT in District Bellary;
- b) in the event it is found that the sum total of annual production is exceeding the limits mentioned at (a) above the lease wise permissible annual production of all the operating leases will automatically stand reduced on pro rata basis against the approved PAP given in this letter in such a way that the actual annual production does not exceed 35 MMT in District Bellary and 15 MMT in District Chitradurga and Tumkur;
- c) in respect of ML No. 2294 of M/s. R. Praveen Chandra only in principal approval for the enhancement is issued and enhancement now approved will come into effect only after production of the Environment Clearance issued by MoEF&CC for enhanced annual production. CEC will thereafter issue specific final approval after considering the actual annual production quantity approved in the EC;
- d) in respect of ML No. 014 of M/s. JSW Steel Ltd. only in principal approval for the enhancement is issued and enhancement now approved will come into effect only after production of the Environment Clearance issued by MoEF&CC for enhanced annual production. CEC will thereafter issue specific final approval after considering the actual annual production quantity approved in the EC;
- e) permission for use of 0.42 MMT per annum additional road capacity recommended by the Technical Committee in respect of M/s. SKME, ML No. 2141 is subject to review and revision and is permitted purely on provisional basis till other lessees come up with enhancement proposals based on higher reserve / dump capacity or installation of Conveyor Belt facility by M/s. SKME, whichever is earlier.



- f) the State Government will ensure that the lessees are having all the requisite statutory approvals.

Yours faithfully

  
(Amarnatha Shetty)  
Member Secretary

**Copy to :**

1. The Secretary (Mines), Government of Karnataka, Bangalore
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, Government of Karnataka.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranya Bhawan, Bangalore.
4. Chairman, Monitoring Committee, Bangalore
5. Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore
6. Director, Mines & Geology, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore
7. Secretary General, Federation of Indian Mineral Industries, New Delhi
8. FIMI, Southern Region, Bangalore
9. Concerned Lessees.