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DEPARTMENT OF STEEL & MINES

NOTIFICATION

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Sub: Prospecting operations by the Geological Survey of India under rule 67 of MC Rules, 2016.

No.8734-IV(Misc)SM-118/2018/SM. — Whereas Geological Survey of India (State Unit: Odisha) has proposed to undertake prospecting operations during 2018-19 in the following identified blocks as reported vide its letter No.1521-1523-KI (Vol-II)/TC/ODS/2017, dated the 5th July, 2018.

Sl. No.	Blok Name	Stage	Mineral	District	Toposheet No.	Block / prospecting area in Sq. K.M.	Bounding latitude and Longitude
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1	General exploration for iron ore in Alaghat West Block Sundargarh district, Odisha (G2)	G2	Iron Ore	Sundargarh	73G/5	0.5	21°56'23.49"N to 21°55'48.79"N 85°17'42.81"E:85°18'33.58"E
2	General exploration for iron ore in Nuagan West Block Kendujhar district, Odisha (G2)	G2	Iron Ore	Kendujhar	73G/5	0.65	21°58'11.91"N to 21°58'41.89"N 85°15'48.68"E to 85°16'35.80"E
3	Preliminary exploration for Iron ore in parts of Kedesala northeast Block, Sundargarh district, Odisha(G2)	G2	Iron Ore	Sundargarh	73G/1	1.00	21°48'44.49"N to 21°49'34.91"N 85°12'43.23"E to 85°13'46.08"E
4	Preliminary exploration for Iron ore in Gandhalpada West Block, kendujhar and Sundargarh district, Odisha (G3)	G3	Iron Ore	Kendujhar & Sundargarh	73G/5	1.50	21°57'07.80"N to 21°58'16.41"N 85°16'26.10"E to 85°17'14.67"E
5	Reconnoitry survey for iron and manganese ore in Tikiba-Phasimal-Ardapalarea, Sambalpur district, Odisha(G4)	G4	Manganese	Sambalpur	73C/02 & C/06	100	21°40'09"N to 21°31'10.4"N 84°11'58.7"E to 84°19'31.3"E
6	Preliminary exploration for Manganese Ore in Balikhamar block in western part of Eastern Ghats Granulite belt, Bolangir district of Odisha (G3)	G3	Manganese	Bolangir	64P/3	0.50	20°25'44.8"N to 20°26'45.9"N 83°02'13.4"E to 83°02'50.9"E
7	Preliminary exploration for Manganese in Boirani- Sadabartan area, Ganjam district, Odisha (G3)	G3	Manganese	Ganjam	74A/14	2.00	19°34'35"N to 19°35'00"N 84°46'53"E to 84°47'38"E

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
8	General exploration for copper and associated metals in Adas Block, Deoghar district, Odisha	G2	Base Metal	Deogarh	73C/11		21°23'00"N to N21°23'07"N 84°37'35"E to E84°37'55"E
9	Preliminary exploration for copper and associated precious metals in Madansahi Block, Mayurbhanj district, Odisha(G3)	G3	Base Metal	Mayurbhanj	73J/12	1.50	22°04'50.798"N to 22°05'32.169"N 86°40'32.164"E to 86°41'37.799"E
10	Reconnaissance survey for Columbite-Tantalite and REE in pegmatite in and around Kangula-Adiaghai, areas in parts of Angul district, Odisha(G4)	G4	REE	Angul	73H/01,02	100	20°42'50.8"N to 20°47'10.3"N 84°03'6.25"E to 84°10'00"E
11	Reconnaissance survey for graphite in Adeswar-Ambasarmunda-Dhauragoth area, Angul district, Odisha(G4)	G4	Graphite	Angul	73D/9	100	20°54'13.15"N to 20°49'30.76"N 84°32'25.16"E to 84°40'57.95"E
12	General exploration for coal in Kendudihi Block, Ib-River Coalfield, Sundargarh district, Odisha(G2)	G2	Coal	Sundargarh	64O/09,64N/12	6.00	21°59'5.34"N to 22°00'45"N 83°38'41"E to 83°40'19.37"E
13	General Exploration for coal in Khandanal Block, Talcher coalfield, Angul district, Odisha(G2)	G2	Coal	Angul	73C/16,73C/12	7.50	20°59'59"N to 21°01'40"N 84°43'31"E to 84°45'17"E
14	Preliminary exploration for Manganese in parts of Boringpadar-Amath Block in the Eastern Ghats Granulite Belt, Kalahandi District, Odisha (G3)	G3	Manganese	Kalahandi	64P/4&7	1.5	Boringpadar: 20°17'15.6"N to 20°18'6.7"N 83°18'8.4"E to 83°12'24.1"E Amath: 20°09'22.2"N to 20°10'2.4"N 83°12'24.1"E to 83°13'2.8"E
15	Preliminary exploration for Manganese in taprang Block in the Eastern Ghat Mobile Belt, Kalahandi district, Odisha (G3)	G3	Manganese	Kalahandi	64P/8	2.05	20°12'9.633"N to 20°13'25.611"N 83°20'24.664"E to 83°19'8.53"E

Whereas Geological Survey of India, among others, is exempted under the second proviso to Section 4(1) of the MMDR Act, 1957, from the requirement of obtaining prospecting licence for undertaking prospecting operations. However, to undertake such operations by GSI, notification is required to be issued by the State Government u/r 67 of MCR, 2016.

And, whereas, Geological Survey of India, vide its letter cited supra has requested for such notification,

Now, therefore, after careful consideration, the State Government, in exercise of powers conferred under rule 67 of the Minerals (Other than Atomic and Hydro Carbons Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016 do hereby notify aforesaid blocks for exploration by GSI for a period of two years with effect from the date of this notification.

By Order of the Governor

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