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## DEPARTMENT OF STEEL & MINES

### NOTIFICATION

The 3rd March 2023

SUB— Extension of time period of exploration in favour of Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. for submission of Geological Reports.

No. 2291—SM-AE-ME-0012/2022-SM.—Whereas Ministry of Mines, Government of India has notified the Odisha Mining Corporation Limited under second proviso to sub-section (1) of Section 4 of MMDR Acts, 1957 vide Notification No. G.S.R. 1325 (E), dated the 24th October 2017 for carrying out prospecting operation;

And whereas, eleven numbers of Mineral blocks had been allotted to Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. (OMC Ltd.) under rule 67 of MC Rules, 2016 vide this Department Notification No. 1754, on the 8th March 2019 read with Notification No. 6542, on the 19th August 2021 for exploration work for a period of two years;

And whereas, the validity period of the Notification No. 1754, on the 8th March 2019 was extended for a further period of two years (one year in each time) vide this Department Notification No. 6542, on the 19th August 2021 and Notification No. 2308, on the 14th March 2022 separately. The extension period is going to expire on the 7th March 2023;

And whereas, the Managing Director, OMC Ltd. vide his Letter No. 2990/OMC/GS/2923, on the 23rd February 2023 has informed that OMC has submitted Geological reports of seven blocks to Government of Odisha and GR of one block to National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) and requested for another six months time extension to complete the ongoing chemical analysis of core samples (composite), petrography & mineralogy study of rest three blocks;

Now, therefore, after careful consideration, the State Government have been pleased to extend the validity of the time period for a further period of six months with effect from the 8th March 2023 for completion of exploration work and submission of Geological reports of the three blocks allotted in favour of OMC Ltd.

By order of the Governor

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