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Dear Sirs,

Sub:	Ganajur Mining Lease (ML) application of our wholly owned subsidiary viz., Deccan Exploration Services Private Limited (DESPL) – Writ Petition before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka – Update
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In continuation of our Update made on December 9, 2020 we write to present the following Update on the captioned matter.

The Writ Petition (WP 14209/2020) came up for hearing before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka on December 23, 2020.

Being called upon to do so, our Legal Counsel presented the following points to the Hon'ble Court:

- (i) DESPL has spent substantial amount of money and had invested time and effort in conducting reconnaissance and prospecting operations at Ganajur and its Mining Lease application was thoroughly scrutinized and recommended by the Government of Karnataka and prior approval was accorded by the Ministry of Mines, Government of India (Central Government) after obtaining of necessary confirmations from the Government of Karnataka and Indian Bureau of Mines.
- (ii) It is not open for the administrative authorities to review their own Orders as has been held by the Hon'ble High Court in M/s Kumar Enterprises.
- (iii) Further, the Central Government is not entitled to put its prior approval under 'abeyance' as there is no provision for keeping orders under abeyance in the MMDR Act, 1957 or the Rules made thereunder. The 'abeyance' letter was not even communicated formally to DESPL.
- (iv) In the circumstance, the 'abeyance' order of the Central Government should be set aside and Government of Karnataka be directed to issue the Grant Notification Letter for Ganajur ML forthwith.

Thereafter, the Standing Counsel of the Government of Karnataka stated that they have nothing to say in the matter and stated that it was the Central Government that had put its prior approval for Ganajur ML under abeyance.

Further, the Counsel representing the Central Government stated to the Court that he has not received any instructions in the matter.

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The Hon'ble Court then directed the Central Government Counsel to take instructions from the said Government in the matter and file their replies and posted the matter for final hearing and orders on January 11, 2021.

We shall update our shareholders of further developments in this regard.

Yours truly

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Company Secretary



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