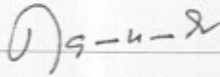


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Meeting of the "Inter-  
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The record of discussions of the  
meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 to  
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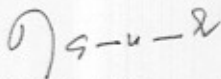
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Office Memorandum

**Subject:** Record of discussions of the Fourth  
"Inter-Ministerial Committee" to consider issues  
related to supply of coal to certain end-use-plants linked to coal blocks

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the  
record of discussions of the fourth meeting of the "Inter-Ministerial Committee" to  
consider issues related to supply of coal to certain end-use-plants linked to coal blocks  
for further necessary action.

Encl: as above

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**Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)  
set up to consider issue related to certain End-Use Plants, (EUPs) linked  
to coal blocks held on 28.01.2014.**

The Fourth meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) constituted by Ministry of Coal (MoC) vide order No.23025/2/2013-CPD dated 17.01.2014 held on 28.01.2014 at 11.00 a.m. List of participants is at Annexure-A.

2. Welcoming the participants, AS(Coal) drew the attention to the decisions/ recommendations of the previous meeting. JS(LA) explained the background of the matter. In the second meeting of the committee it was decided that Ministry of Coal may obtain the advice of Ministry of Law on the cases covered under para 2(a) of the discussion paper (circulated with the minutes of the second meeting) and the implications of any arrangements for coal linkages to these projects as mentioned in para 3(i) thereof. Para 2 (a) of the discussion paper related to the projects where long term coal linkages were already granted for existing projects. Coal blocks were subsequently allocated to such project developers and the blocks could not be developed for want of clearances or were resultantly de-allocated. Para 3(i) of the discussion paper had mentioned in brief the background of the litigations pending with regard to the de-allocation of such blocks and the defence taken by the Government and revised the issue of implications, if any, on such coal litigations if such EUPs were restored.

3. Ministry of Law has tendered the following advice:-

- “ (i) It appears that the coal blocks were allocated to some EUPs and as stop-gap arrangements they were given tapering linkages for smooth running of the plants as per the policy of the administrative Ministry.
- (ii) However, certain coal blocks were de-allocated for their non-development within the prescribed time limits. When

these coal blocks have been de-allocated, the purpose/ basis for providing tapering linkage has been frustrated.

- (iii) As such, if tapering is allowed it may affect the merit of the pending cases. Since, those EUPs which are operational will require supply of coal for their continued operation; as such they may be provided normal linkage subject to extant policy of the administrative Ministry.

4. The Committee further deliberated on the issue on the basis of the advice of the Ministry of Law. Director (Mkt.), Coal India Ltd. (CIL) stated that CIL had already made substantial commitment to the power sector and all subsidiaries were running negative balance of coal supplies. Further, these EUPs were previously having coal linkages and subsequent to the allocation of coal blocks, the quantities were tapered off and the resultant availability of coal had already been committed elsewhere. Therefore, it would be difficult for CIL to revert to the supplies as they existed earlier. Ministry of Steel reiterated its earlier view that coal supplies to the running plants should not be dis-continued. Ministry of Industry, Deptt. of Industrial Policy & Promotion also endorsed the views of the Ministry of Steel.

5. After discussions, the Committee recommended that the quantum of such coal supplies to the above category i.e. EUPs which were already having coal linkages and which were subsequently converted into tapering linkage on allocation of coal blocks which were later de-allocated, may be assured after taking inputs of CEA and CIL. A view thereon could be taken after it.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.

**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS WHO ATTENDED THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE " INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE" HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY,2014 AT 3.00 PM TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ISSUES RELATED TO SUPPLY OF COAL TO CERTAIN END-USE PLANTS (EUPs) LINKED TO COAL BLOCKS.**

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| 2.  | Shri S.K.Singh, Joint Secretary                                   |
| 3.  | Shri S.Ashraf, Deputy Secretary (CPD)                             |
| 4.  | Shri A.Acharya, Coal Controller                                   |
| 5.  | Shri Pilli Ravi Kumar, Under Secretary (CPD)                      |
|     | <b><u>MINISTRY OF POWER</u></b>                                   |
| 6.  | Shri V.Apparao, Director  |
|     | <b><u>MINISTRY OF FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS</u></b> |
| 7.  | Shri Abhijit Phukan   |
|     | <b><u>DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION</u></b>       |
| 8.  | Shri Nand Lal, Sr. Development Officer                            |
|     | <b><u>MINISTRY OF STEEL</u></b>                                   |
| 9.  | Anupam Prakash, Director  |
|     | <b><u>COAL INDIA LIMITED</u></b>                                  |
| 10. | Shri B.K.Sinha, Director(Technical)                               |