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**No. CPD-23014/3/2022-CPD
Government of India
Ministry of Coal**

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*Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
July 27th, 2022*

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector - SLC/LT No. 3/2022

The undersigned is directed to say that the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector (SLC/LT No. 3/2022) to consider the requests for linkages to Central / State Sector Power Plants and to review the status of existing coal linkages / LoAs and other related matters is scheduled to be held on **08.08.2022** at **3.30 P.M.** Venue for the meeting is Coal India Limited, Core 6, 6th Floor, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. Agenda items for the meeting is enclosed herewith.

2. It is, therefore, requested to make it convenient to attend the meeting

Encl. as above

Sujeet Kumar
(Sujeet Kumar) 27/07/2022

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To

1.	Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal	Chairperson
2.	Principal Advisor (Energy), NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
3.	Joint Secretary (Coal), Ministry of Coal	Member
4.	Advisor (Projects), Ministry of Coal	Member
5.	Joint Secretary (Thermal), Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
6.	Joint Secretary (Ports), Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
7.	Executive Director, Coal, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
8.	Director (Marketing), Coal India Limited	Member

9.	CMD's SCCL, BCCL, CCL, ECL, MCL, NCL, SECL & WCL	Members
10.	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Ltd., Gondwana Place, Kanke Road, Ranchi	Member
11.	Chairman, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan, RK Puram, New Delhi	Member
12.	Chairman, NTPC, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003	Member
13.	Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal	With the request to attend the meeting

Copy to (with the request to attend the meeting):

Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organization, Kolkata

Copy also to:

- (i) Director (Technical), Coal India Limited, Kolkata
- (ii) GM (S&M), Coal India Limited, Kolkata

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- iii. PPS to Joint Secretary (CPD)
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- v. PS to Director (T) (NA) & (CPD)
- vi. NIC, Ministry of Coal - with the request to place it in the website of Ministry of Coal for information of all concerned.

Agenda for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long Term) [No. 3/2022]

Sl. No.	Issue
Agenda Item No. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5: Bridge Linkage Extension to the Power Plants of NTPC	<p>1) Extension of Bridge Linkage to Barauni TPS – II (2 x 250 MW): Ministry of Power vide OM dated 16.03.2022 had recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage for Barauni TPS – II (2 x 250 MW) for 5 years. Ministry of Power had stated that SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.11.2019 had recommended Bridge Linkage for 3 years from the date of transfer of Badam coal block to NTPC (date of transfer of Badam coal block was 02.09.2019).</p> <p>Ministry of Power had also informed that Badam coal block is under development. The issues pending / constraints in development of the coal block are Forest Clearance, Land Acquisition, R&R, MDO appointment and Consent to Operate. Further, Badam coal block is expected to start production from FY 2023-24 and PRC of 3 MTPA will be achieved by FY 2026-27.</p> <p>2) Extension of Bridge Linkage to Barh TPS-II (2 x 660 MW):</p> <p>Ministry of Power vide OM dated 16.03.2022 had recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage for Barh TPS Stage-II (2 x 660 MW) for 4 years.</p> <p>Ministry of Power had informed that Chatti Bariatu and Chatti Bariatu South coal block was allocated to NTPC on 08.09.2015. Ministry of Power had further informed that Chatti Bariatu and Chatti Bariatu</p>

South coal block is expected to start production from March'22. However, the issue of encroachment on Government and Forest Land still persist. MDO is already appointed. The mine is expected to attain PRC by FY 2025-26.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 had recommended extension of Bridge Linkage to Barh TPS-II (2 x 660 MW) up to 2023 and shall be on tapering basis from 2018 to 2023 as per approved mining plan.

3) Extension of Bridge Linkage of Tanda TPS Stage –II (2 x 660 MW): Ministry of Power vide OM dated 16.03.2022 had recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage for Tanda TPS Stage –II (2 x 660 MW) for 4 years. Ministry of Power had stated that Kerandari coal block was allocated to NTPC on 08.09.2015 to meet the requirement of Tanda Stage-II (2 x 660 MW). Ministry of Power had informed that Kerandari coal block is under development and issues pending / constraints in development of this coal block are Forest Clearance, Land Acquisition, R&R and MDO appointment. Ministry of Power had also informed that Kerandari coal block is expected to start production in FY 2022-23 and expected to attain PRC of 6 MTPA by FY 2025-26.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 had extended the Bridge Linkage of Tanda TPS Stage –II (2 x 660 MW) up to 2022 and shall be on tapering basis from 2019 to 2022 as per approved mining plan.

4) Extension of Bridge Linkage of Lara TPS (2 x 800 MW): Ministry of Power vide OM dated 16.03.2022 had requested for extension of Bridge Linkage for Lara TPS (2 x 800 MW) for 4 years or to achieve 8 MTPA of coal production from Talaipalli coal mine, whichever is earlier.

Ministry of Power had informed that Talaipalli coal block was allocated to NTPC on 08.09.2015. Presently, NTPC is facing issues with MDO assigned for development of coal block. MDO raised disputes over approved mining plan, which was later referred to CMPDI. Matter is sub-judice in Delhi High Court. However, Talaipalli coal block is under production. South pit within coal block is opened and has started production. Target for FY 2021-22 is 0.5 MT while its actual production till December, 2021 is 0.39 MT. NTPC has informed that they have targeted to produce 6.0 MT of coal in 3 years i.e. FY 2022-23 to FY 2024-25.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 had granted extension of Bridge Linkage for Lara TPS (2 x 800 MW) up to 2022 and shall be on tapering basis from 2019 to 2022 as per approved mining plan.

5) Extension of Bridge Linkage for Darlipalli TPS (2 x 800 MW): Ministry of Power vide OM dated 16.03.2022 had requested for extension of Bridge Linkage for Darlipalli TPS (2 x 800 MW) for 1313 MW for 2 years.

Ministry of Power had informed that Dulanga coal block was allocated to NTPC on 08.09.2015. Dulanga coal block is under production. Target for coal production in FY 2021-22 is 4.75 MT and actual coal

	<p>production is 3.51 MT (till Dec'21). Target for FY 2022-23 is 6.0 MT. PRC of 7 MTPA was expected to be achieved by FY 2022-23, however, due to prevailing issues related to R&R, PRC may be achieved in FY 2023-24.</p> <p>SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 granted extension of Bridge Linkage up to 2022 and shall be on tapering basis from 2018 to 2022 as per approved mining plan.</p> <p>All the above agenda items were taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) meeting held on 29.03.2022. O/o the Nominated Authority recommended during the meeting to defer these cases and in the meantime, it will review the development of coal blocks allocated to NTPC and will suggest accordingly. In view of the recommendation of O/o the Nominated Authority, SLC (LT) recommended to defer the cases. Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 04.07.2022 has requested to convene a meeting of the SLC (LT) to discuss the issues regarding Bridge Linkage of the above NTPC Plants.</p> <p>O/o the Nominated Authority vide O.M dated 29.04.2022 recommended that Bridge Linkages to TPPs of NTPC associated with aforesaid coal mines may be considered for extension.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>
<p>Agenda No. 6: Coal</p>	<p>Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 25.03.2022 recommended for grant of fresh coal linkage under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy to Raghunathpur TPS Phase-II (2 x 660 MW) of DVC with allocation from the</p>

<p>linkage for Raghunathpur TPS Ph-II (2 x 660 MW) unit of DVC as per Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy</p>	<p>same source / Coal India Limited (CIL) subsidiary and to factor-in/ adjust the deposited commitment guarantee (CG) for existing linkage with the fresh coal linkages to be granted under SHAKTI B (i). Ministry of Power has mentioned that Raghunathpur TPS Phase-II (2 x 660 MW) of DVC could not be commissioned within the outer time limit specified in SHAKTI Policy and the reasons for delay were beyond the control of DVC. It has also been mentioned that Raghunathpur TPS Phase-II is having a LoA issued by Central Coalfields Limited and the LoA / Commitment BG was valid till 31.03.2022.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>													
<p>Agenda Item No. 7, 8, 9 & 10: Bridge Linkage Extension to the EUPs of Saharpur Jamarpani Coal Block</p>	<p>Ministry of Power vide OM dated 15.07.2022 has requested for time extension of bridge linkage allocated for the EUPs of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block.</p> <p>Ministry of Power has informed that Saharpur Jamarpani coal block was allocated to UPRVUNL on 13.08.2015 and EUPs are Harduaganj Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) & Panki Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW). The expected commissioning schedule of the EUPs are as under:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="501 1114 2004 1382"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="501 1114 651 1177">Sl. No.</th> <th data-bbox="651 1114 1308 1177">EUP</th> <th data-bbox="1308 1114 2004 1177">Commissioning Schedule</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="501 1177 651 1251">1.</td> <td data-bbox="651 1177 1308 1251">Harduaganj Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW)</td> <td data-bbox="1308 1177 2004 1251">COD: 09.02.2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="501 1251 651 1323">2.</td> <td data-bbox="651 1251 1308 1323">Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW)</td> <td data-bbox="1308 1251 2004 1323">November, 2023 & May, 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="501 1323 651 1382">3.</td> <td data-bbox="651 1323 1308 1382">Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW)</td> <td data-bbox="1308 1323 2004 1382">December, 2023 & June, 2024</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Sl. No.	EUP	Commissioning Schedule	1.	Harduaganj Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW)	COD: 09.02.2022	2.	Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW)	November, 2023 & May, 2024	3.	Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW)	December, 2023 & June, 2024
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Panki Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW)

September, 2023

The matter of extension of Bridge Linkage to EUPs of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 27.06.2018 and it was recommended to extend Bridge Linkage of Harduaganj Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW), Panki Extn TPP (1 x 660 MW) for a further 4 years from the date on which Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. 13.08.2018 to 12.08.2022) and shall be tapered off in subsequent years as per approved mining plan.

The matter for further extension of Bridge Linkage for above said EUPs was also taken up in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 22.12.2021 but the case was deferred in view of the recommendations of Ministry of Power that the matter may be considered in the SLC (LT) in June, 2022 as the Bridge Linkage is still valid upto August, 2022.

Further, UPRVUNL has mentioned that as per Schedule 'E' Efficiency Parameters of Allotment Agreement, 66 months (22 months for Completion of Geological Report (G.R.) and thereon 44 months for other statutory clearances, Land Acquisition etc.) was given to operationalize this coal block. However, even after 80 months, there is no substantial progress at site due to delay in preparation of G.R. by CMPDI, Ranchi citing law and order issues. UPRVUNL has appointed NLC India Ltd. for providing consultancy services for selection of MDO & supervision & monitoring of coal block development.

Ministry of Power has requested to consider the request of Government of Uttar Pradesh to extend bridge Linkage of above mentioned projects for further 2 years i.e. up to August, 2024 in order to avoid the loss of generation from Coal Block linked TPPs.

Comments of O/o Nominated Authority are awaited in the matter.

SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.