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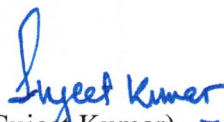
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 4/2022

The undersigned is directed to say that the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector (SLC/LT No. 4/2022) 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 14.09.2022 at 11.00 A.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. The project proponent(s) whose cases are mentioned in the Agendas are also requested to attend the meeting for presenting their views / represent their case (s) before the SLC (LT).

Encl. as above


(Sujeet Kumar) 7/9/2022

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

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

- (i) Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal
- (ii) Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organization, Kolkata

Copy also to:

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

Copy for information to:

- a. PSO to Secretary (Coal)
- b. PPS to Additional Secretary (Coal)
- c. PPS to Joint Secretary (CPD)
- d. PS to Director (CPD)
- e. PS to Director (T) (NA & CPD)
- f. 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. 4/2022]

Sl. No.	Issue
<p>Agenda Item No. 1 – Long term coal linkage to Ukai TPS Unit- 6 (500 MW) & Wanakbori TPS Unit- 8 (800 MW) of Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (GSECL)</p>	<p>Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (GSECL) vide letter dated 30.08.2022 has requested for long term coal linkage to Ukai TPS Unit- 6 (500 MW) & Wanakbori TPS Unit- 8 (800 MW) under SHAKTI B (i) in view of the acceptance from O/o the Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal for surrender of Gare Palma Sector – I coal block of GSECL. Ukai TPS Unit - 6 (500 MW) & Wanakbori TPS Unit - 8 (800 MW) were the End Use Plants (EUPs) of Gare Palma Sector-I coal block which was allotted to GSECL.</p> <p>Earlier, Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 09.03.2022 had requested to consider the request of GSECL for grant of long term linkage to Ukai TPS Unit - 6 & Wanakbori TPS Unit - 8 of GSECL subject to surrender of Gara Palma-I coal block and delinking of Ukai TPS Unit - 6 & Wanakbori TPS Unit - 8 as EUPs, in order to avoid loss of generation from these units. The matter was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 29.03.2022. SLC (LT) had recommended for continuation of Bridge Linkage of GSECL till cancellation of the Gare Palma-I coal block and post cancellation of the coal block, a grace period of 90 days window was permitted for continuing the Bridge Linkage.</p> <p>Surrender of Gare Palma Sector-I Coal Mine allotted to GSECL has been accepted by Ministry of Coal.</p> <p>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</p>

<p>Agenda Item No. 2 – Extension of validity of LoA of Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) (2 x 660) MW) of NTPC</p>	<p>Standing Linkage Committee (Long Term) [SLC (LT)] in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 had recommended for coal linkage to the Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) (2 x 660) MW) of NTPC under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy. The unit size of the Super Critical Power Project was later on decided to be increased to 2 x 800 MW in order to take advantage of increased quantity of cheaper and efficient power from the 800 MW size units. Coal linkage for the enhanced capacity was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 21.12.2018 and the committee recommended enhancement of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for NTPC’s Singrauli STPP-III Expansion Project (2 x 800 MW).</p> <p>Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 01.09.2022 has stated that pursuant to grant of long term linkage for the 2 x 800 MW capacity of Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) of NTPC, NCL had issued Letter of Assurance (LoA) dated 20.04.2020 for 5.61 MTPA of G8-G11 grade coal, having validity of 24 months. Further, during the period 21.04.2020 to 20.04.2022, NTPC has fulfilled some milestones under the LoA, however, due to Covid-19 pandemic & country wise lockdown, NTPC could not fulfil milestones like investment decision, commitment of equity investment and Financial Closure. Ministry of Power has also stated that NTPC has extended the validity of the Commitment Guarantee of Rs. 33.66 Crore under the LoA for a further period of 1 year (i.e. upto 04.06.2013) based on the request of NCL.</p> <p>Ministry of Power has requested for extension of validity of LoA issued by NCL towards long term coal linkage of Singrauli STPP – III for 2 years i.e. upto 20.04.2024 for consideration of SLC (LT), in order to assure the long term coal linkage to upcoming 2 x 800 MW Units at Singrauli STPP-III.</p> <p>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</p>
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Agenda Item No. 3: Extension of Bridge Linkage of Lara TPS (2 x 800 MW)	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The matter was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 08.08.2022. SLC (LT) recommended to defer the case and to take up the matter in the next meeting of the SLC (LT).</p> <p>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</p>
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Agenda Item No. 4: Coal linkage under Para B(iv) of SHAKTI Policy	<p>SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 24.06.2019 had recommended earmarking of coal linkages under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy from Coal India Limited for the States of Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh for a capacity of 4000 MW, 1600 MW and 2640 MW respectively. The recommendation of the SLC (LT) were approved by the Competent Authority. Subsequently, Coal India Limited had intimated the details of source wise quantity alongwith the indicative supply grade range offered under B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the States of Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. SLC (LT) in its meeting dated 24.06.2019 had also recommended that in case the tariff based bidding gets delayed, then the same shall be informed by the concerned State Government to the coal company, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy states that the quantity remaining unutilized for 2 years continuously shall lapse.</p> <p>The matter was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 08.08.2022. SLC (LT) recommended to defer the case.</p> <p>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</p>
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