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(भारत सरकार)

# **Ministry of Coal**

(कोयला मंत्रालय)

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Shastri Bhawan,

New Delhi, the 23rd May, 2025

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector - SLC/LT No. 3/2025

The undersigned is directed to say that the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector (SLC/LT No. 3/2025) to consider the requests for coal 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 29.05.2025 at 11:00 AM. Venue for the meeting is Coal India Limited, Core 6, 6th Floor, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. Agenda item for the meeting is enclosed herewith.

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

(Pradeep Raj Nayan)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To

1.	Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal	Chairperson
2.	Principal Advisor (Energy), NITI Aayog, Yojana	Member
	Bhawan, New Delhi	
3.	Additional Secretary (Thermal), Ministry of Power,	Member
	Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi	
4.	Joint Secretary (Coal), Ministry of Coal	Member
5.	Advisor (Projects), Ministry of Coal	Member
6.	Joint Secretary (Ports), Ministry of Shipping, Transport	Member
	Bhawan, New Delhi	
7.	Executive Director, Coal, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan,	Member
	New Delhi	
8.	Director (Marketing), Coal India Limited	Member
9.	CMD's SCCL, BCCL, CCL, ECL, MCL, NCL, SECL &	Members
	WCL	

	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Central Mine	
	Planning & Design Institute Ltd., Gondwana Place,	
	Kanke Road, Ranchi	
11.	Chairman, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan,	Member
	RK Puram, New Delhi	
12.	Chairman, NTPC, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New	Member
-	Delhi-110003	

#### 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:

- i. PSO to Secretary (Coal)
- ii. PPS to Additional Secretary (SKJ)
- iii. PPS to Joint Secretary (CPD)
- iv. PS to Deputy Secretary (CPD)
- v. NIC, Ministry of Coal with the request to place it in the website of Ministry of Coal for information of all concerned.

# Encl: (1)

Agenda for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 03/2025.

Sl. No.	Issue	
1: Extension of Bridge Linkage for Singareni Thermal Power Plant (STPP) Stage-I (2 x 600 MW) of SCCL	SCCL vide letter dated 10.03.2025 has requested for extension of Bridge Linkage for Singareni Thermal Power Plant (STPP) 2 x 600 MW from mines of SCCL on tapering basis to meet the balance coal requirement. SCCL has stated that Naini Coal Mine in Odisha Stated was allotted by Ministry of Coal vide Order dated 13.08.2015 for SCCL 2 x 600 MW (Stage-I) and the additional 1 x 600 MW 3 <sup>rd</sup> Unit (Stage-II) as end use plant. SCCL has stated that coal production from Naini coal block has commenced and coal production from Naini coal mine will commence in FY 2025-26 soon after the undergoing activity of extraction of trees in the forest diverted reserve area and transportation of the timber by Orissa Forest Development Corporation Limited. SCCL has also stated that as per approved mining plan, the production target from Naini coal mine during first year of mining operations i.e. 2025-26 is 2.5 MT.	
	Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 23.04.2025 has stated that both the units of STPP Stage-I (2 x 600 MW) are operational and Stage-II (1 x 800 MW) is proposed and expected to be commissioned by FY 2029-30. Ministry of Power has informed that Naini coal block (PRC=10 MTPA) is under development. Ministry of Power has recommended to consider the request of SCCL for extension of bridge linkage for Singareni Thermal Power Project (STPP) Stage-I (2 x 600 MW) in order to meet balance coal requirement and avoid the loss of generation.	
	SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 13.02.2024, had extended the Bridge Linkage for 2 x 600 MW of SCCL for a period of 1 year on tapering basis from SCCL.	
	Office of Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal vide O.M dated 08.04.2025 has informed that as per the mine plan, coal production from Naini coal mine was to start from FY 2021-22. Further, Nominated Authority has informed that Environmental Clearance, Forest Clearance Stage-I, Forest Clearance Stage-II (Conditional) and Mine Opening Permission has been granted.	
	SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.	
2: Extension of Bridge Linkage for NTPC's Tanda-II (2 x 660 MW)	Ministry of Power vide OM dated 23.04.2025 informed that Kerandari coal block was allocated by Ministry of Coal to NTPC on 08.09.2015 to meet the coal requirement of 2 x 660 MW Tanda TPS Stage-II. Ministry of Power has informed that coal production from Kerandari coal block started in January, 2024 and NTPC has achieved 2.0 MT coal production against the target of 1.5 MT in FY 2024-25. Further, Kerandari coal block is expected to attain its PRC of 6.0 MTPA by FY 2027-28. Ministry of Power has recommended to consider	

the request of NTPC for extension of bridge linkage for Tanda TPS-II (2 x 660 MW) of NTPC for the consideration of the SLC(LT) in order to avoid the loss of generation due to gap between the coal requirement of the power plant and the coal production quantities.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 13.02.2024 recommended extension of Bridge Linkage, from Coal India Limited, for NTPC's Tanda-II (2 x 660 MW) for a period of 1 year on tapering basis.

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

No. Ministry of Power vide OM dated 23.04.2025 informed that Banharidh coal Agenda **Item** 

3: Extension of Bridge block was allocated by Ministry of Coal to PVUNL (subsidiary of NTPC in JV Linkage for PVUNL's with JBVNL) on 25.06.2018 to meet the coal requirement of Patratu-I STPP (3) (subsidiary of NTPC in x 800 MW). Ministry of Power has stated that Unit-I of Patratu-I STPP is JBVNL) synchronized on 11.03.2025 and its CoD is expected by May, 2025 and further, Patratu-I (3 x 800 MW) CoD of Unit-II & III are expected by February, 2026 & July, 2026 respectively. Ministry of Power has informed that Banhardih coal block is under development and the constraints in the development of this block are R&R issues, Forest Clearance, Environmental Clearance and appointment of MDO. Ministry of Power has also informed that Banhardih coal block is expected to start production in FY 2026-27 and expected to attain its PRC of 12.0 MTPA by FY 2031-32. Ministry of Power has recommended to consider the request of NTPC for extension of bridge linkage for Patratu-I STPP (3x800 MW) for the consideration of the SLC (LT) so that plant remain eligible to source start-up coal from CIL and meet the generation requirement post CoD of the units.

> SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 13.02.2024 recommended extension of Bridge Linkage, from Coal India Limited, for PVUNL Patratu-I (3 x 800 MW) for a period of 1 year on tapering basis respectively.

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