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(भारत सरकार)

Ministry of Coal

(कोयला मंत्रालय)

Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi, the 4th December, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC (LT) No. 05/2025 – Additional Agenda Item.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the Additional Agenda Item for the meeting of the SLC (LT) scheduled to be held on **04.12.2025** at **11:00 AM**.

Digitally signed by
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(Date: 04-12-2025)

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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 Ports, Shipping & Waterways, 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. Director (P&S-I & II) & Director (NA)
- ii. Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organization, Delhi

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 also to –

- i. PSO to Secretary (Coal)
- ii. PPS to Additional Secretary (SKJ)
- iii. PPS to Joint Secretary (CPD)
- iv. PS to DS (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)

Additional Agenda for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 05/2025.

Sl. No.	Issue
<p>Additional Agenda Item No. 1: Coal linkage to the State of West Bengal under Para 2 (II) (A) (ii) of the Revised SHAKTI Policy.</p>	<p>Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 24.11.2025 has requested to consider the request of Government of West Bengal (GoWB) and earmark the long term coal linkage to the State of West Bengal under Window-I of Revised SHAKTI Policy, 2025 for conducting tariff based competitive bidding (TBCB) to procure 1600 MW of power. Ministry of Power has also requested to de-allocate 100 MW equivalent coal allocated under erstwhile SHAKTI Policy.</p> <p>Ministry of Power has informed that SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 11.06.2024 / 26.06.2024, had recommended for earmarking of coal linkage of 4100 MW to the GoWB from Coal India Limited. Out of 4100 MW, Ministry of Power has informed that the GoWB has completed the bidding for 1600 MW Greenfield project and Power Supply Agreement has been signed with JSW Thermal Energy Limited on 13.03.2025. Further, bidding for another 1600 MW Greenfield project is currently under progress (RFQ stage completed on 17.10.2025 & RFP stage is ongoing) and is likely to be completed by December, 2025. In addition, a fresh tender will be floated shortly for 800 MW capacity for setting up brownfield projects at either DPL or Bakreshwar. Ministry of Power has informed that out of 4100 MW, 4000 MW (1600 MW + 1600 MW + 800 MW) will be utilized by West Bengal and only 100 MW capacity will be remaining.</p> <p>Ministry of Power has informed that as per Resource Adequacy Plan for West Bengal (2024-25 to 2034-35), anticipated additional thermal capacity requirement for West Bengal is 6203 MW by FY 2034-35. Out of 6203 MW, coal linkage against the 4100 MW capacity has already been allocated to the State of West Bengal. Ministry of Power has also informed that Sagardighi TPS Stage-III of 660 MW of WBPDC is under construction and scheduled for COD in December, 2025</p> <p>Ministry of Power has informed that GoWB is looking for setting up of another 1600 MW capacity through TBCB to meet the future demand of West Bengal, with the anticipated capacity tie-up through either new Greenfield capacity (2 x 800 MW) or [Greenfield (800 MW) + Brownfield (800 MW)]. Ministry of Power has also informed that the anticipated date of identification of successful bidder and date of start of coal drawl are by 2026 and 2031 / 2032 respectively with preferred coal source from MCL,</p>

ECL. Ministry of Power has informed that, GoWB has requested for additional 1500 MW coal linkage (balance 100 MW to be utilized from earlier allocated linkage). However, as the 4100 MW coal linkage was earmarked under erstwhile SHAKTI Policy, utilizing (100 MW) from earlier policy and balance (1500 MW) from Revised SHAKTI Policy may pose difficulty to coal company, as different timelines are envisaged in these policy.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 11.06.2024 / 26.06.2024 had recommended for earmarking of coal linkage of 4100 MW under Para B (iv) of erstwhile SHAKTI Policy to the State of West Bengal from Coal India Limited. The utilization status of 4000 MW earmarked coal linkage (out of 4100 MW) has been informed by Ministry of Power.

Coal linkages to the Power Sector are presently granted under the Revised SHAKTI Policy, 2025. Under the Revised SHAKTI Policy, coal linkage to a State is earmarked under Para 2 (II) (A) (ii) of the Policy as per their request and on the recommendation of Ministry of Power.

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