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Ministry of Coal
Coal Controller Organization
(Authority, under the Coal Exchange Rules 2026)

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Nominated Owners, Coal & Lignite Companies
Concerned Third Party Agency (ies)

Subject: Empanelment of Third-Party Agencies for Collection, Preparation, Analysis and Documentation of Samples of Coal/Lignite or its Processed Form for Coal Transacted/Traded through Coal Exchange-Reg.

Ref.: CC/TECH/EMPANELMENT/TPA/COALEXCHANGE/2025-26 dated 19.11.2025

This refers to the Request for Qualification (RFQ) inviting online applications from eligible agencies for the "**Empanelment of Third-Party Agencies for Collection, Preparation, Analysis and Documentation of Samples of Coal/Lignite or its Processed Form for Coal Transacted/Traded through Coal Exchange**", which was published on the website of the Ministry of Coal on 19th November 2025.

The empanelment process has been completed. I am directed to convey that, in response to the aforesaid RFQ, the following agencies have been found technically qualified and are hereby empaneled as Third-Party Testing Agencies (TPAs) for collection, preparation, analysis and documentation of samples of Coal/Lignite or its processed form for coal transacted/traded through the Coal Exchange:-

1. Cotecna Inspection India Private Limited
2. Elegant Surveyors Private Limited
3. Geo-Coal Engineering Private Limited
4. Inspectorate Griffith India Private Limited
5. J.P. Nagdeve / JP Associates and Laboratories
6. KCS Quality Inspection Private Limited
7. Maxels Tekventures Private Limited
8. Mitra S. K. Private Limited
9. MPT Quality Inspection Private Limited
10. Primus Sam Private Limited
11. Qualitek Labs Limited
12. Quality Austria Central Asia Private Limited
13. Ravi Energie Private Limited
14. SGS India Private Limited
15. Superintendence Company of India Private Limited
16. TCRC Quality Controls LLP

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The empaneled Third-Party Agencies (TPAs) shall perform the assigned activities in accordance with the rules, regulations, guidelines and directions issued by the Coal Controller Organization (CCO), in its capacity as the regulator for the Coal Exchange, from time to time, and in accordance with the contract executed between the concerned market participant(s) and the TPA under the framework of the Coal Exchange in accordance with the Coal Exchange rules 2026.

The activities to be carried out by the empaneled TPAs shall, inter alia, include the following: -

1. Collection of coal samples at the designated sampling points;
2. Preparation of laboratory samples from the collected raw samples;
3. Testing and analysis of the prepared samples in NABL-accredited laboratories;
4. Preparation of test reports and all associated documentation relating to the sampling and testing process; and
5. Any other activity as may be provided in the contract executed between the concerned market participant(s) and the TPA in the Coal Exchange, in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Coal Controller Organization from time to time.
6. Shall perform the assigned activities in accordance with the rules, regulations, guidelines and directions issued by the Coal Controller Organization (CCO), in its capacity as the regulator for the Coal Exchange, from time to time.

The empanelment shall further be subject to the condition that the empaneled TPAs shall establish and maintain laboratories equipped with a Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), tracking system for providing real-time status updates of samples, mechanized sampling systems, wherever required by the user agency, and shall upload coal sample results on the designated Web Portal, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract executed under the Coal Exchange and with the approval of the Coal Controller.

The period of empanelment shall be five (5) years from the date of operationalization of the first Coal exchange in India under the Coal Exchange Rules 2026. During the period of empanelment, the TPAs shall strictly adhere to the provisions relating to conflict of interest as stipulated in the RFQ.

In the event that the performance of any empaneled TPA is found to be unsatisfactory, or the agency is found to have committed any misconduct attributable to it, the Coal Controller Organization reserves the right to remove such TPA from the panel, without prejudice to any other action that may be taken under the applicable rules, guidelines or contractual provisions.

This issues with the approval of the Coal Controller.

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