

MOST IMMEDIATE/BY SPEED POST
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Government of India
Ministry of Coal

New Delhi, dated the 5th August, 2015

To
The Managing Director,
M/s Birla Corporation Ltd.,
9/1, R.N. Mukherjee Road,
Kolkata-700001

Subject : De-allocation of **Bikram** coal block in the State of Madhya Pradesh allocated to M/s Birla Corporation Ltd.- Deduction and encashment of proportionate amount of Bank Guarantee- Regarding

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's de-allocation letter of even number 7th January, 2014 on the above subject, I am directed to say that as mentioned in para 7 of the said letter conveying deduction and encashment of proportionate Bank Guarantee (BG) linked to the milestones set for delay in the development of the said coal block as per the allocation letter, Coal Controller's Organisation (CCO) has worked out the amount of Rs.0.55375 crores of BG to be deducted and deposited with the Government.

2. The issue of Bank Guarantee has further been deliberated in the 31st meeting of Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) held on 7th July, 2015 wherein at para 6 of the said meeting, the IMG observed that extent of breach of timelines by the prior allottee of Bikram coal block had already been evaluated by the Government and accordingly, BG amount has already been calculated by the CCO. But before the BG amount to be deducted could be conveyed, the prior allottee moved High Court. The IMG recommended that BG deduction, which had previously been calculated, be conveyed in respect of the said block and the invocation/realization of BG shall be done only after bringing it to Hon'ble High Court's notice and obtaining its direction. The recommendations of 31st IMG meeting has been accepted by the Government.

3. Accordingly, an amount of **Rs.0.55375 crore** (Rupees fifty five lakhs thirty seven thousand only) from the Bank Guarantee furnished by you is determined to be deducted and deposited with the Government. The invocation/realization of BG shall be done only after bringing it to Hon'ble High Court's notice and obtaining its direction.

Yours faithfully,


(Anurag Kapil) 7/8/15

Director

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Vallabh Bhavan, Bhopal.
2. The Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi.
3. The CMD, Coal India Limited, New Town, Rajarhat, Kolkata-700156.
4. The Coal Controller's Organisation, 1, Council House Street, Kolkata with the direction that the invocation/realization of BG shall be done only after bringing it to Hon'ble High Court's notice and obtaining its direction.
5. ~~NIC Cell, Ministry of Coal for placing the letter on the Website of Ministry of Coal.~~