

**No.13016/29/2003-CA-I ( Vol.II)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Coal**

.....

New Delhi, the 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2014.

To,

The Chairman and Managing Director,  
NTPC, SCOPE Complex,  
7, Institutional Area, Lodi Road,  
New Delhi-110003.

Subject : Show Cause Notice to M/s. National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) in respect of Chatti Bariatu South coal block- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 13016/8/2007-CA-I dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2007 conveying allocation of Chhati Bariatu South coal block to National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) in pursuance of provisions of Section 3 (3)(a)(i) of the Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1973 and the Revised Policy on Coal Mining by State Government subject to certain conditions.

2. The Government constituted an Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) on 21.06.2012 under the Chairpersonship of Additional Secretary (Coal), Ministry of Coal having members from Ministry of Power, Ministry of Steel, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of IPP, Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Department of Economic Affairs. The IMG has the mandate to review the progress of development of allocated coal blocks and associated end use projects and to recommend action including de-allocation, if required. The IMG in its 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on 23.10.2013 inter alia considered the status of the development of the Chatti Bariatu South coal block prepared by the Coal Controller's Organisation (CCO) as on June, 2013 noted that no significant progress has been made by your company towards development of coal block. It has been noticed that a number of important/critical milestones are pending. The details of milestones to be achieved and the time lapsed against each milestone, as reported by the Office of Coal Controller, are given in the table below :

Milestones	Schedule date of Completion	Actual date of Completion	Slippage in YY/MM (as on June.13)	Remarks	Special Observation
Purchase of GR	9.3.2013 (45 Months DOA)	Yes	-	Chatti Bariatu (South) is dip side of Chatti Bariatu coal block	Zero date calculated from date of reallocation.

Submission of Bank Guarantee	23.4.2013 (3 Months)	Yes	-		
Mining Lease Application	23.4.2013 (3 Months from GR preparation)	NA		Land is under CBA Act.1957	
Submission of Mining Plan	23.7.2013 (6 Months from GR preparation)	29.1.13.	-	Discussed at Screening Committee of MOC for approval of MP.	Nalla diversion is under progress.
Approval of Mining Plan	23.9.2013 (8 Months)	Pending	-		
Application of Previous approval	23.11.2013 (10 Months)	Pending	-		
Granting of Previous approval	23.12.2013 (11 Months)	Pending			
Application of Forest clearance	23.1.2014 (12 Months)	Pending	-		
Grant of Forest Clearance	23.7.2014 (18 Months)	Pending	-		
Application EMP Clearance	23.1.2014 (12 Months)	Pending			
Grant of EMP Clearance	23.7.2014 (18 Months)	Pending	-		
Grant of Mining Lease	23.1.2015 (24 Months)	Pending	-		
Application of Land Acquisition	23.8.2014 (19 months from GR)	Pending	-		
Completion of Land Acquisition	23.1.2016 (36 Months)	Pending	-		
Application for opening permission	23.5.2016 (40Months)	Pending	-		
Grant of Opening permission	23.6.2016 (41 Months)	Pending	-		
Coal Production	23.7.2016 (42Months)	Pending	-	OC mine with forest land involved.	



Keeping in view the unsatisfactory progress, IMG recommended to issue show cause notice for delay in development of coal block. The recommendation of IMG has since been considered and accepted by the Government.

4. Under the above circumstances, you are hereby called upon to show cause, on each milestone separately to this Ministry within a period of **20 days** from the date of issue of this show cause notice as to why the delay in the development of the coal block should not be held as violation of the terms and conditions of the allocation of Chatti Bariatu South Coal block and why the block should not be de-allocated failing which it would be presumed that the your company has no explanation to offer and action as appropriate would be taken against your company for de-allocation of the said coal block.

5. You are also requested to furnish a detailed status note on the progress of end use plant(s) (EUPs) for which the above mentioned coal block was allocated to you.

Yours faithfully,

  
[ S.K.SHAHI ]  
Director  
Tel.23382807

COPY TO :

- (i) The Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organisation, 1- Council House Street, Kolkata.
- (ii) NIC, Ministry of Coal for uploading the letter on Ministry's website.