

F.No. 23014/3/2018-CLD
Government of India
Ministry of Coal

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 18.09.2018

To

1. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
Coal India Limited, Coal Bhawan,
Premise no 04 MAR, Plot No-AF-III, Action Area-1A,
Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata-700156

2. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
Singareni Collieries Company Limited,
18, Red Hills, Khairatabad PO, Hyderabad,
Telangana

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector-SLC/LT No. 3/2018

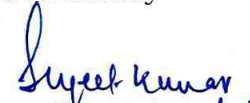
Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith minutes of the meeting of the SLC (LT) for Power Sector held on 27.06.2018 to consider the requests for linkages to Central/State Sector Power plants and to review the status of existing coal linkages/LoSs and other related matters.

2. The recommendation of the SLC (LT) in respect of agenda Item no. 2, 3, 4 & 5 are under examination. Recommendation of the SLC (LT) in respect of other agenda items have been approved by the Competent Authority.

Encl as above

Yours faithfully



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Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long Term)
for Power Sector held on 27.06.2018

Venue: Bhaba Chamber, Scope Convention Centre, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi at 3.00 P.M

S.No.	Issue	Summary of Discussion	Recommendations with reasons
Agenda item No. 1	Confirmation of the minutes of the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018.	There were no comments from any side.	Minutes of the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 are confirmed.
Agenda item no. 2: Time Extension of Bridge Linkage for Harduaganj Extn TPP of UPRVUNL (1 x 660 MW)	<p>Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block was allotted to Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd (UPRVUNL) on 13.08.2015 for supplying coal to Harduaganj Extn TPP, Jawaharpur TPP, Obra 'C' and Panki Extn TPP.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.03.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to Harduaganj Extn (1 x 660 MW) for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 13.08.2015. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 12.08.2018.</p> <p>As per the Bridge Linkage policy, Bridge Linkage is granted for a fixed period of 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block and no further extension thereafter entertained under normal circumstances.</p> <p>UPRVUNL vide letters dated 12.03.2018 & 09.05.2018 requested for time extension for bridge linkage for end use projects of Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block stating that Power generation from Harduaganj Extn is expected from January 2020.</p>	<p>Project Proponent stated that operation of the coal block is delayed due to pending approval of PL by the State Government of Jharkhand and keeping in view the status of development, Law & Order issues and Change in the exploratory agency, the coal block shall be operational by 2022.</p> <p>It was also informed by the Project Proponent that the EUP linked with the mine shall be ready by September, 2019.</p>	<p>The reason forwarded by the Project Proponent was also confirmed by the Nominated Authority.</p> <p>Therefore, the SLC (LT) recommended that Bridge Linkage for the 660 MW Harduaganj Extn TPP of UPRVUNL may be extended for a further 4 years from the date on which the Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. 13.08.2018 to 12.08.2022) and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved</p>

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	<p>UPRVUNL has applied for fresh PL of 15 Sq. Km on 13.01.2017, but PL has not been issued due to pending of approval of PL with MoC/Jharkhand Govt. UPRVUNL is trying hard to get the PL at the earliest so that exploratory drilling can be started soon. UPRVUNL further stated that considering the facts and hard ground realities at site production of coal from this block is not possible by 12.08.2018. It has been requested to extend Bridge Linkage for further 6 years i.e. up to August 2024.</p> <p>The matter was deferred in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 as no representative of the project proponent was present during the meeting. SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		<p>mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal*.</p> <p>*Recommendation is under examination</p>
<p>Agenda item no. 3: Time Extension of Bridge Linkage for Jawaharpur TPP of UPRVUNL (2 x 660 MW)</p>	<p>Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block was allotted to Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd (UPRVUNL) on 13.08.2015 for supplying coal to Harduaganj Extn TPP, Jawaharpur TPP, Obra 'C' and Panki Extn TPP.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.03.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to Jawaharpur TPS (2 x 660 MW) for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 13.08.2015. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 12.08.2018.</p> <p>As per the Bridge Linkage policy, Bridge Linkage is granted for a fixed period of</p>	<p>Project Proponent stated that operation of the coal block is delayed due to pending approval of PL by the State Government of Jharkhand and keeping in view the status of development, Law & Order issues and Change in the exploratory agency, the coal block shall be operational by 2022.</p> <p>It was also informed by the Project Proponent that the EUP linked with the</p>	<p>The reason forwarded by the Project Proponent was also confirmed by the Nominated Authority. Therefore, the SLC (LT) recommended that Bridge Linkage for the 2 x 660 MW Jawaharpur TPP of UPRVUNL may be extended for a further 4 years from the date on which the Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. 13.08.2018 to 12.08.2022) and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall</p>

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	<p>3 years from the date of allotment of coal block and no further extension thereafter entertained under normal circumstances.</p> <p>UPRVUNL vide letters 12.03.2018 & 09.05.2018 requested for time extension for bridge linkage for end use projects of Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block stating that Power generation from Jawaharpur is from December 2020. UPRVUNL has applied for fresh PL of 15 Sq. Km on 13.01.2017, but PL has not been issued due to pending of approval of PL with MoC/Jharkhand Govt. UPRVUNL is trying hard to get the PL at the earliest so that exploratory drilling can be started soon. UPRVUNL further stated that considering the facts and hard ground realities at site production of coal from this block is not possible by 12.08.2018. It has been requested to extend Bridge Linkage for further 6 years i.e. up to August 2024.</p> <p>The matter was deferred in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 as no representative of the project proponent was present during the meeting. SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>	<p>mine shall be ready by May, 2020.</p>	<p>be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal*.</p> <p>*Recommendation is under examination</p>
<p>Agenda item no. 4: Time Extension of Bridge Linkage for Obra 'C' TPS of UPRVUNL (2 x 660 MW)</p>	<p>Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block was allotted to Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd (UPRVUNL) on 13.08.2015 for supplying coal to Harduaganj Extn TPP, Jawaharpur TPP, Obra 'C' and Panki Extn TPP.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of</p>	<p>Project Proponent stated that operation of the coal block is delayed due to pending approval of PL by the State Government of Jharkhand and keeping in view of the status of</p>	<p>The reason forwarded by the Project Proponent was also confirmed by the Nominated Authority. Therefore, the SLC (LT) recommended that Bridge Linkage for the 2 x 660 MW Obra 'C' TPS of</p>

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<p>coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 21.06.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 13.08.2015. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 12.08.2018.</p> <p>As per the Bridge Linkage policy, Bridge Linkage is granted for a fixed period of 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block and no further extension thereafter entertained under normal circumstances. UPRVUNL vide letters 12.03.2018 & 09.05.2018 requested for time extension for bridge linkage for end use projects of Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block stating that Power generation from Obra 'C' is expected from December 2020. UPRVUNL has applied for fresh PL of 15 Sq. Km on 13.01.2017, but PL has not been issued due to pending of approval of PL with MoC/Jharkhand Govt. UPRVUNL is trying hard to get the PL at the earliest so that exploratory drilling can be started soon. UPRVUNL further stated that considering the facts and hard ground realities at site production of coal from this block is not possible by 12.08.2018. It has been requested to extend Bridge Linkage for further 6 years i.e. up to August 2024.</p> <p>The matter was deferred in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 as no representative of the project proponent was present during the meeting. SLC (LT)</p>	<p>development, Law & Order issues and Change in the exploratory agency, the coal block shall be operational by 2022.</p> <p>It was also informed by the Project Proponent that the EUP linked with the mine shall be ready by May, 2020.</p>	<p>UPRVUNL may be extended for a further 4 years from the date on which the Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. 13.08.2018 to 12.08.2022) and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal*.</p> <p>*Recommendation is under examination</p>
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Agenda item no. 5: Time Extension of Bridge Linkage for Panki Extn of UPRVUNL (1 x 660 MW)	<p>Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block was allotted to Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd (UPRVUNL) on 13.08.2015 for supplying coal to Harduaganj Extn TPP, Jawaharpur TPP, Obra 'C' and Panki Extn TPP.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.03.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to Panki Extn (1 x 660 MW) for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 13.08.2015. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 12.08.2018.</p> <p>As per the Bridge Linkage policy, Bridge Linkage is granted for a fixed period of 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block and no further extension thereafter entertained under normal circumstances.</p> <p>UPRVUNL vide letters 12.03.2018 & 09.05.2018 requested for time extension for bridge linkage for end use projects of Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block stating that UPRVUNL has applied for fresh PL of 15 Sq. Km on 13.01.2017, but PL has not been issued due to pending of approval of PL with MoC/Jharkhand Govt. UPRVUNL is trying hard to get the PL at the earliest so that exploratory drilling can be started soon. UPRVUNL further stated that considering the facts and hard ground realities at site production of coal from this</p>	<p>Project Proponent stated that operation of the coal block is delayed due to pending approval of PL by the State Government of Jharkhand and keeping in view the status of development, Law & Order issues and Change in the exploratory agency, the coal block shall be operational by 2022.</p> <p>It was also informed by the Project Proponent that the EUP linked with the mine shall be ready by February, 2021.</p>	<p>The reason forwarded by the Project Proponent was also confirmed by the Nominated Authority.</p> <p>Therefore, the SLC (LT) recommended that Bridge Linkage for the 660 MW Panki Extn TPP of UPRVUNL may be extended for a further 4 years from the date on which the Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. 13.08.2018 to 12.08.2022) and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal*.</p> <p>*Recommendation</p>

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	<p>block is not possible by 12.08.2018. It has been requested to extend Bridge Linkage for further 6 years i.e. up to August 2024.</p> <p>The matter was deferred in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 as no representative of the project proponent was present during the meeting. SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		<p>is under examination</p>
<p>Agenda item no. 6: Time Extension and Enhancement of Bridge Linkage for 2 x 500 MW, Marwa TPP of CSPGCL</p>	<p>Gare Palma Sector-III coal block allotted to CSPGCL on 14.09.2015.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.03.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to 2 x 500 MW, Marwa TPP of CSPGCL for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 14.09.2018. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 13.09.2018.</p> <p>As per the Bridge Linkage policy, Bridge Linkage is granted for a fixed period of 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block and no further extension thereafter entertained under normal circumstances.</p> <p>CSPGCL vide letter dated 20.04.2018 requested to extend and enhance the Bridge Linkage to 2 x 500 MW Marwa TPP stating that Bridge Linkage (BL) of 3.784 MMT for 2 x 500 MW, Marwa TPP will expire on</p>	<p>The Project Proponent stated that the Bridge Linkage will expire in September, 2018, whereas, the coal block allocated to the Project Proponent shall be operational in another one year time (2019) and PRC shall be achieved by 2022.</p> <p>The Project Proponent further requested to enhance the coal quantity to 5.6 MMT to achieve a PLF of more than 90%.</p>	<p>SLC (LT) recommended that the quantity of coal supplied to the 2 x 500 MW, Marwa TPP of CSPGCL shall be as per the Bridge Linkage policy, which is the same for all the power plants which are provided Bridge Linkages.</p> <p>SLC (LT) further recommended that the Bridge Linkage shall be tapered w.e.f 2019 and shall become zero in the year 2022 as per the approved mining plan. The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the</p>

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	<p>13.09.2018. Coordinates of coal block changed on 22.08.2016. Production from allotted mine is expected w.e.f May, 2019 and full capacity shall be achieved by 2022. Both units of Marwa TPP are running at full load. Year wise coal requirement for 2 x 500 MW at 90% PLF is 5.6 MMT.</p> <p>CSPGCL requested to extend the Bridge Linkage and enhance the coal quantity from 3.78 MMT to 5.6 MMT.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		<p>production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal.</p>
<p>Agenda item no. 7: Time Extension of Bridge Linkage for Kakatiya TPP (KTPP) Stage-II (1 x 600 MW) of TSGENCO</p>	<p>Tadicherla-I coal block was allocated to TSGENCO to meet the coal requirement of KTPP Stage-II (1 x 600 MW) on 31.08.2015.</p> <p>Based on the allotment of coal block, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 18.03.2016 granted Bridge Linkage to Kakatiya TPP (KTPP) (1 x 600 MW) of TSGENCO for 3 years from the date of allotment of coal block i.e. 31.08.2018. Bridge Linkage duration of above Power plant will expire on 30.08.2018.</p> <p>Ministry of Power vide OM dated 07.05.2018 stated that stated that requirement of coal is 2.5 Million Tons/annum. Coal mine operation in Tadrichela-I commenced in December, 2017 and removal of over burden is in process. Peak rated capacity of 2.5 MTPA will be achieved by 2020-21. Supply of coal from SCCL to KTPP will be required to fill the gap between requirement and availability of coal from</p>	<p>The PP requested for extension of the Bridge Linkage in view that the PRC for the Tadicherla-I coal block shall be achieved by 2020 and its annual requirement for the linked end use plant is 2.5 MTPA. Production from the coal block has started and production for the 1st year as per the approved mining plan is 0.8 MT.</p> <p>The Bridge Linkage of the Project Proponent is valid upto 30.08.2018.</p>	<p>The SLC (LT) recommended that since the production from Tadicherla-I coal block has started and production of 0.8 MT is expected in the 1st year i.e. 2018-19, hence, the coal supplies shall be tapered to the extent of production from the coal block and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved</p>

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	<p>coal block till 2020-21. It has been requested to extend BL to KTHP Stage-II (1 x 600 MW) for a further period of 3 years beyond 30.08.2018.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		<p>mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal.</p>
<p>Agenda item no. 8:</p> <p>Extension of bridge Linkage time period for Mahagenco EUP's at Koradi (3 x 660 MW), Chandrapur (2 x 500 MW) and Parli (1 x 250 MW)</p>	<p>Mahagenco vide letter dated 22.03.2018 has requested to extend the Bridge Linage for further three years i.e. up to August 2021 for its EUPs at Chandrapur Unit 8 & 9 (2 x 500 MW), Koradi Unit 8,9 & 10 (3 x 660 MW), Parli Unit 8 (1 x 250 MW), considering the delay in start of coal production from allotted mine from Gare Palma-II due to delay in getting approval of Forest & Environment clearances incorporating modified bounding coordinates as per Corrigendum issued to the previous Allotment Order.</p> <p>The matter was deferred in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 10.04.2018 as no representative of the project proponent was present during the meeting. SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>	<p>The Bridge Linkage of Koradi (3 x 660 MW), Chandrapur (2 x 500 MW) and Parli (1 x 250 MW) plants is valid upto 30.08.2018. The Project Proponent informed that due to change in coordinates, the development of the Coal Block is delayed. The production from the Coal Block is due to start in 2021.</p>	<p>The SLC (LT) recommended that Bridge Linkage for the Koradi (3 x 660 MW), Chandrapur (2 x 500 MW) and Parli (1 x 250 MW) Plants of Mahagenco may be extended for a further 3 years from the date on which the Bridge Linkage expires (i.e. from 31.08.2018 to 30.08.2021) and shall be tapered off in the subsequent years as per the approved mining plan.</p> <p>The tapering shall be carried out by CCO based on the approved mining plan. In case the coal production commences before the date which is mentioned in the approved mining plan or the production is more than the quantity which is mentioned in the approved mining plan, the Project Proponent shall intimate this information to CCO and the coal company and that the Project</p>


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			Proponent in no case shall draw excess coal.
Agenda item no. 9: Transfer of Coal linkage as per Automatic coal transfer policy	<p>Mahagenco vide letter dated 18.04.2018 requested for</p> <p>1. Reallocation/transfer of coal linkage of about 4.229 MMT of Mahagenco's decommissioned units for 3 x 660 MW Super Critical units at Koradi.</p> <p>Scrapped units are Bhusawal (Unit 1, 55 MW), Koradi (Unit 1 to 4, 4 x 105 MW), Nasik (Unit 1 & 2, 2 x 125 MW), Parli TPS (Unit 1 & 2, 2 x 20 MW) and Paras (Unit 2, 55 MW). Linkage of scrapped units is 4.229 MMTPA.</p> <p>2. Reallocation/transfer of coal linkage of about 3.18 MMT of Mahagenco's decommissioned/retired units for 1 x 660 MW Super Critical units at Bhusawal.</p> <p>Scrapped units are Chandrapur (Unit 1 & 2, 2 x 210 MW), Parli (Unit 3, 210 MW), Koradi (Unit 5, 200 MW) and Bhusawal (Unit 2, 210 MW). Linkage of scrapped units is 6.061 MMTPA.</p> <p>Mahagenco has discarded its old units in phased manner due to expiry of their useful life or poor inefficiency, leading to high generation costs. The total linkage available against the decommissioned/retired units is 10.290 MMTPA.</p> <p>As per policy for automatic transfer of coal linkage, linkage granted to old plants shall be automatically</p>	<p>The Project Proponent stated that linkage of the scrapped units may be transferred to plants of super critical capacity as per the automatic coal linkage transfer policy. The PP further stated that they have requested for the surrender of Mahajanwadi coal block and the same is under consideration in the Ministry of Coal.</p>	<p>The Committee observed the plants where the transfer of linkage has been requested are already having Bridge Linkage. The SLC (LT) recommended that linkage of scrapped units shall not be transferred to power plants already having Bridge Linkage. CEA was also requested to provide the complete list of de-commissioned plants to Coal India Limited for taking necessary action.</p>

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	<p>transferred to the new plant of super critical capacity and in case the capacity of the new super critical plant is higher than the old plant, additional coal may be accorded priority, subject to availability of coal.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		
<p>Agenda item No. 10: Transfer of coal linkage of deleted units to new super critical units</p>	<p>UPRVUNL vide letter dated 18.05.2018 requested transfer of coal linkage of deleted units to new super critical units.</p> <p>Unit no. 1 & 2 (2 x 50 MW) and 8 (94 MW) of Obra TPP and unit 3 & 4 (2 x 105 MW) of Panki TPP have been deleted. Due to deletion of these units almost 16.02 Lac metric ton per annum coal (7.02 Lac metric ton from Obra and 9 Lac metric ton from Panki) will be available for new super critical units. Commercial operation from HarduaganjExtn (1 x 660 MW) is expected from January 2020 and total coal requirement is 27 Lac ton per annum.</p> <p>It has been requested to take necessary action for transfer of coal linkage of 16.02 lac ton per annum to HarduaganjExtn (1 x 660 MW) for efficient, sustainable and affordable electricity generation.</p> <p>As per policy for automatic transfer of coal linkage, linkage granted to old plants shall be automatically transferred to the new plant of super critical capacity and in case the capacity of the new super critical plant is higher than the old plant,</p>	<p>The Project Proponent stated that linkage of the scrapped units may be transferred to plants of super critical capacity as per the automatic coal linkage transfer policy.</p>	<p>The Committee observed the plants where the transfer of linkage has been requested are already having Bridge Linkage. The SLC (LT) recommended that linkage of scrapped units shall not be transferred to power plants already having Bridge Linkage. CEA was also requested to provide the complete list of de-commissioned plants to Coal India Limited for taking necessary action.</p>

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	additional coal may be accorded priority, subject to availability of coal.		
	SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.		
Agenda item No. 11. Implementation of PSERC Order dated 6.9.2016 and its amendment dated 8.9.2016 passed in petition no. 11 of 2012 and 46 of 2012 regarding arrangement of coal for 1980 MW Talwandi Sabo Thermal power project	Grant of long term linkage to Talwandi Sabo Power Limited (TSPL) was considered in the SLC (LT) meeting held on 02.08.2007. The Competent Authority approved grant of LoA to TSPL/PSEB for its power plant of 1800 MW capacity. Capacity of TSPL enhanced from 1800 MW to 1980 MW subject to the certain conditions. Change in ownership of 1980 MW TSPL from erstwhile Punjab State Electricity Board (PSEB) to Sterlite Energy Limited (SEL) was approved by the Competent Authority for the purpose of coal allocation subject to certain conditions. Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) informed about order dated 06.09.2016 and its amendment dated 08.09.2016 passed by Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (PSERC) in Petition No. 11 of 2012 and 46 of 2012 regarding arrangement of coal for 1980 MW TSPL. A brief of the case furnished by PSPCL is as follows: i. MCL had issued LoA in the name of TSPL at the time when TSPL was the Special Purpose Vehicle of PSEB. Consequent to the selection of SEL as the developer for the Talwandi Sabo Projects, PSEB transferred and vested the 100% shareholding of TSPL in SEL and TSPL	Committee heard the views of both the parties i.e. PSPCL & TSPL. Both the parties did agreed for signing the FSA by PSPCL. It was informed that the signing of FSA by PSPCL was an Order of the Regulatory Authority and there was no stay against the Order.	The Committee recommended that FSA be signed between PSPCL and the Coal company as per the directives of the Appellate Tribunal. The assignment of FSA is a commercial matter guided by the terms of the FSA between the power plant and the coal company.

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became a wholly owned subsidiary of SEL. It was agreed that the FSA with MCL would be signed by PSEB/PSPCL (Procurers) and then assigned to TSPL during the validity of the PPA. Since MCL had issued the LOA in the name of TSPL and had proposed that the signing of the FSA would be with TSPL at the relevant time, PSPCL proposed that the FSA be signed directly between TSPL and MCL.

TSPL raised issues on the signing of the FSA, which became a subject matter of dispute between TSPL and PSPCL before the PSERC and thereafter, before Appellate Tribunal. Consequent to the interim order of the Hon'ble Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, FSA was signed between TSPL and MCL on 04.09.2013.

By final Order dated 7.4.2016, the Appellate tribunal decided that in terms of the PPA dated 1.9.2008 and the Bidding Documents, the FSA needs to be signed by PSPCL as per the provisions contained in the PPA and the Bidding Documents. The Hon'ble Appellate Tribunal remanded the matter to PSERC for further action. PSPCL challenged the above Order before the Honble Supreme Court and the matter is pending as Civil Appeal Nos. 4085 and 4086 of 2016.

In the remand proceedings, PSERC by order dated 6.9.2016 and subsequent

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amendment order dated 08.09.2016 has disposed the matter. The directions relevant to Ministry of Coal are reproduced as under:

"The Commission feels that the proposal of PSPCL on the issue of signing a Tripartite Agreement between PSPCL, TSPL and MCL is erroneous. The Hon'ble APTEL has clearly held that PSPCL/Procurer is under obligation to sign the Fuel Supply Agreement with the Fuel Supplier, namely Mahanadi Coalfields Limited".

On the aforesaid matter, Ministry of Power (MoP) inter alia stated that it is a bilateral contractual issue between PSPCL and TSPL and as such, MoP has no comments to offer in the matter.

A meeting was held under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (LA) on 02.02.2018 to discuss the issue. It was decided in the meeting that both TSPL and PSPCL will submit their views within 15 days to Ministry of Coal on the issue of transfer of linkage. Views of PSPCL and TSPL received are summarized as below:

Views of PSPCL: The allocation of coal has been given to TSPL of a specified quantum as stated in the LoA i.e. 7.72 MTPA of the quality "E/F Grade" and the existing FSA dated 04.09.2013 is on these terms. For the purpose of implementing the process of signing of the FSA between

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PSPCL and MCL and assignment thereof to TSPL, TSPL is not entitled to raise other issues such as of quantity and quality at this stage as raised by them during the meeting. PSPCL has requested that the FSA be allowed to be signed between PSPCL and MCL with the certain stipulation.

Views of TSPL: Under case 2 scenario 4, PSPCL assumed the obligation to procure Grade E coal, with GCV of 4500-4600 kCal/kg, having an ash content of 33-34% for the Project. However, PSPCL disputed its obligation to procure/supply fuel for the Project.

FSA to be signed by PSPCL to meet TSPL's project requirement, i.e. to run the project at 1841.4 MW and also quarterly allocation for 2nd quarter should be maximum i.e. 28% of the ACQ to meet peak paddy season requirement of Punjab. TSPL has no objection to FSA being signed between PSPCL and MCL

Additional Agenda			
S.No.	Issue	Summary of Discussion	Recommendations with reasons
Agenda Item no. 1: Grant of Bridge Linkage to Thermal Power Plants of Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Ltd (GSECL).	GSECL vide letter dated 05.06.2018 requested for grant of Bridge Linkage to newly commissioned/upcoming coal based units of GSECL. Gare Palma Sector - 1 coal block was allotted to GSECL on 14.09.2015 for coal requirements of specified end use plants. Bridge linkage has been requested for Ukai Unit 6 (500 MW), Upcoming Wanakbori TPS	No project was proponent present.	SLC (LT) deferred the case.

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	<p>Unit 8 (800 MW) and Ukai TPS Unit 7 (800 MW) (proposed start date July 2023). Total coal requirement for above TPPs is 7.92 MTPA.</p> <p>Comments of CBA-II were sought in the matter:</p> <p>CBA-II section confirmed that Gare Palma Sector-I coal mine (Schedule-III) was allotted to GSECL vide order no. 103/27/2015/NA dated 14.09.2015.</p> <p>Comments of MoP are awaited in the matter.</p> <p>SLC (LT) is to take a view in the matter.</p>		
<p>Agenda Item no. 2: Coal linkage to the proposed pit head project at Margherita, Assam (2 x 800) MW to be set up by Assam Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGCL)</p>	<p>Government of Assam vide letter dated 27.02.2017 had requested to take up the matter of coal linkage to 2 x 800 MW Phase-I plant at Margherita, Assam in the next meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (SLC) alongwith the diversion of coal linkage for NTPC's BTPS and Farakka plants. Comments of Ministry of Power were sought on the matter.</p> <p>Ministry of Power has informed that the request of Assam Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGCL) has been examined in consultation with CEA and CEA has recommended the proposal. The production of coal from North Eastern Coalfields (NECL) of Coal India Limited may not be sufficient to meet the projected demand of the project, thus NECL may have to augment coal</p>	<p>No Project Proponent was present during the meeting, however, the matter was discussed with the approval of the Chairman, SLC (LT). Production from the North Eastern Coalfields Limited was discussed and it was observed that the projection of 3.5 MT of production from the coal blocks of NEC needs to be reconciled with the production plant of NEC.</p>	<p>The SLC (LT) recommended that a joint meeting between NTPC, NEC/CIL, CEA and APGCL be held to discuss the future modalities for different sources of coal availability for the project. The matter may then be brought to the SLC (LT) for consideration.</p>

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	production as per the expected commissioning of Margherita TPP (2 x 800 MW) to meet the coal requirement of Margherita TPP. Ministry of Power has requested to consider the request of APGCL for coal linkage for Margherita TPP.	
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With the permission of the Chair, the following issue which was not listed in the agenda, was also discussed:

S. No.	Issue	Summary of Discussion	Recommendations with reasons
Agenda Item no. 1: Bridge Linkage for Power Stations of WBPDC	West Bengal Power Development Corporation Ltd. vide letter dated 22.06.2018 requested for Bridge Linkage of 6.5 MTPA for 3 years till Kasta (East) & Deocha-Pachami coal blocks allotted to WBPDC becomes fully operational.	The Project Proponent stated that production of coal from the Kasta (East) coal block will start in the next 3 years. It was also stated by the Project Proponent that Deocha-Pachami coal block has been recently allotted by Government of India to WBPDC.	SLC (LT) agreed 'in-principle' to allot Bridge Linkage to the end use plants linked with the Kasta (East) & Deocha-Pachami coal blocks and recommended that the case be processed separately on the file.

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