

No. 13016/62/2008CA-I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Coal

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New Delhi, the 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2013

To,

- (i) M/s JSW Steel Limited  
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New Delhi - 110066.
- (ii) M/s Bhushan Steel & Power Limited  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tolstoy Marg  
New Delhi - 110 001
- (iii) M/s Jai Balaji Industries Limited  
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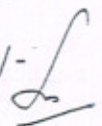
**Subject : Seeking of explanation from M/s JSW Steel Limited, M/s Bhushan Power & Steel Limited and M/s Jai Balaji Industries Limited for slow progress in respect of Rohne coal block -regarding**  
Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 13016/62/2008-CA-I dated 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2008 conveying allocation of **Rohne** coal block in Jharkhand subject to certain conditions.

2. In order to expedite the development of the coal block, review meetings were held from time to time. In the review meeting held on 11/12.01.2012, it was noticed that the progress of the **Rohne** coal block allocated to the company is not satisfactory. Committee expressed concern over unsatisfactory progress and advised **M/s JSW Steel Limited, M/s Bhushan Power & Steel Limited and M/s Jai Balaji Industries Limited** to expedite the development of the coal block. Accordingly, an advisory letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 was issued to the company with the direction to expedite the development of the coal block and development of end use plant so as to ensure expeditious production of coal from the allotted coal block with respect to the milestones stipulated.

3. In the meantime, 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. IMG in its 19th Meeting held on 25.06.2013 *inter alia*

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considered the status of the development of the **Rohne coal block** prepared by the Coal Controller's Organisation (CCO) as on March, 2013 and 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 :-

Mile Stones	Schedule date of Completion	Actual date of Completion	Slippage in YY/MM (as on Mar.13)	Remarks	Special Observation
Purchase of GR	20.7.2008 (45 days)	15.7.2008	-	PL granted for remaining 420 Un explored area out of allocated 1245 Ha on mar.2011.	778 Ha is explored area.
Submission of Bank Guarantee	5.9.2008 (3 months from DOA)	20.12.2008	3 Months		
Mining Lease Application	5.9.2008 (3 months)	4.9.2008	-	ML area :- 1245 ha	Coal bearing area:- 778 Ha Non Coal Bearing area:- 47.00 Ha
Submission of Mining Plan	5.12.2008 (6 months)	16.9.2008	-		
Approval of Mining Plan	5.2.2009 (8 Months)	4.3.2009	1 Month		
Application of Previous approval	5.4.2009 (10 months)	10.7.2010	1Yr 3 Months		
Granting of Previous approval	5.5.2009 (11 months)	31.3.2011	1Yr 10 Months		
Application of Forest clearance	5.6.2009 (12 months)	21.10.08	-	Stage-I FC granted on 26.2.13	Compliance of Stg-I is under process.

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Grant of Forest Clearance	5.12.2009 (18 months)	Pending	3Yrs 3 Month s		
Application EMP Clearance	5.6.2009 (12 months)	7.1.2009	-	EAC/MOEF recommended grant of EC for the project on 15.2.2010 and awaited final clearance from MOEF.	
Grant of EMP Clearance	5.12.2009 (18 months)	Pending	3Yrs 3 Month s		
Grant of Mining Lease	5.6.2010 (24 months)	Pending	2Yrs 9 Month s		ML application is pending with Director (Mines), Govt of JH.
Application of Land Acquisition	5.1.2010 (19 months)	14.11.2008	-	233.22 acres Pvt land purchased including 19.66 acres R & R colony.	Tot land: 1245 Ha (63 Ha for RR colony) Pvt land: 103.03 Ha Govt. land:- 12.18 Ha Forest land: 1192.79 Ha.
Completion of Land Acquisition	5.6.2011 (36 months)	Pending	1 Yr 9 Month s		
Application for opening permission	5.10.2011 (40 Months)	Pending	1Yr 5 month s		
Grant of Opening permission	5.11.2011 (41 months)	Pending	1Yr 4 Month s		
Coal Production	5.12.2011 (42 Months)	Pending	1Yr 3 MOnth s	OC mine with forest land involved.	

Keeping in view the **slow progress**, IMG recommended to seek **explanation for slow progress** in development of coal blocks. The recommendation of IMG has since been considered and accepted by the Government.

4. Under the above circumstances, you are hereby called upon to **explain**, on each milestone separately to this Ministry within a period of **20 days** from the

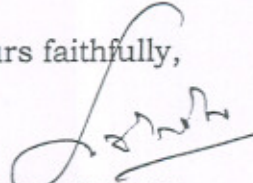
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date of issue, the reasons for slow progress as well as the efforts made by you in development of the coal block, failing which it would be presumed that your company has no explanation to offer and action as appropriate would be taken.

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,



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