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Government of India
Ministry of Coal
O/o Nominated Authority

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Shastri Bhawan , New Delhi,
Dated: 07th October 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Review of status of production of coal mines allocated by the Nominated Authority
on 04.10.2021– Issuance of Minutes of Meeting reg

The undersigned is directed to refer to subject mentioned above and to circulate
herewith the minutes of the captioned meeting for information and necessary action(if any)
please.

Encl: As Above



(Manish Uniyal)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To,

1. Allocattees of coal mines
2. DS(NA) /CM(JK)
3. All Staff members of NA Section, MoC / LE(MB)/ LC(PD)/ PMU

Copy to :-

1. PSO to Secretary (Coal)/ PPS to AS & NA

Minutes of the meeting chaired by Additional Secretary (MN)/ Nominated Authority (Ministry of Coal), Govt. of India on 04th October 2021 at 11:00 AM regarding coal production from CMSP Coal Blocks.

The list of participants is at Annexure-1.

At the outset, Nominated Authority (NA) welcomed all the participants. He emphasized on the need for enhancement in coal production considering huge surge in demand arising from thermal power plants especially in month of October and November 2021. He informed that CIL has increased coal production and especially dispatch up to 20% over previous year and is under pressure to increase further to meet domestic coal demand. It was also noticed that coal production has been impacted due to heavy rain in eastern part of the country while coal demand has been elevated in country since economy is on recovery path. NA urged allottees to explore possibilities in enhanced coal production especially in Talabira II & III, Manoharpur, Talaipalli, Pachwara North and Gare Palma sector III coal mines. It was also informed that policy for allowing 50 % sale of coal from captive mines will be notified in a day or two and it will encourage allottees to increase coal production. A brief presentation on coal production status (mine wise) were made :-

1. Sarisatolli (M/s CESC Limited)

It was observed that against an annual target of 3.5 MT, only 0.975 MT has been produced till September 2021. Allottee informed that a part of the mine is affected by fire and a public road passes through the mine and they are unable to produce coal to full capacity. It was informed that in next 6 to 8 months, road diversion will be completed. Allottee further informed that they will not be able to meet PRC due to fire and pending DGMS approval. NA advised allottee to achieve at least previous year production of 2.0 MTPA and follow up with concerned authorities for pending approvals and issues and asked allottee whether any intervention is required from MOC. Allottee replied that they will approach NA, if required.

2. Belgaon (M/s Sunflag Iron & Steel Limited)

Allottee was absent in the meeting.

3. Parsa East and Kanta Basan (M/s Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited)

It was informed by allottee that mine has produced 6.02 MT till August 2021 and they will achieve PRC of 15 MT during this financial year. NA asked allottee to explore possibilities of increase in annual production capacity of the mine as it has sufficient coal reserve. Allottee informed that they have applied for expansion of environmental clearance and they will go for higher PRC provided they are able to get enhanced EC and forest land.

4. Amelia North (M/s Jaiprakash Power Venture Limited)

It was observed that 1.32 MT coal has been produced till August 2021 against an annual target of 2.8 MT and allottee informed that they will achieve PRC in this financial year like previous year. NA asked allottee to explore possibilities of increase in annual production capacity of the mine

5. Gare Palma IV-4 (M/s Hindalco Industries Limited)

Allottee informed that PRC of opencast (OC) part of the mine is 0.56 MT and till date they have produced 0.3 MT this year and informed that CSIDC land is yet to be transferred from State Government in their name and this has adversely affected coal production and they will achieve target of 0.56 MT by March 2022 if CSIDC land is transferred to them.

Regarding underground (UG) portion of mine with PRC of 0.44 MT, allottee informed that working from UG method is not possible and they are working on conversion from UG to OC mine.

6. Kathautia (M/s Hindalco Industries Limited)

It was observed that only 0.095 MT coal has been produced till August in this financial year against annual target of 0.8 MT. Allottee informed that due to land issue and pending CNT permission they are not able to achieve scheduled production and In this connection they have submitted letters to Secretary (Mines & Geology) GoJ for help. Allottee further informed that there are 600 houses over mine area which needs to be shifted though the payment were made in 2016 itself but land is not received yet. NA advised allottee to approach Secretary (Mines & Geology) GoJ and resolve all pending issues at the earliest.

7. Sial Ghogri (M/s RCCPL Private Limited)

Allottee informed that 0.073 MT coal has been extracted till September in this financial year and they are able to extract only 40% of coal since roof condition is very poor. It was further informed that they are in process of opening new tunnel and coal production will be increased from 12000 ton per month to 18000 ton per month from October 2021 onwards.

8. Marki Mangli-I (M/s Topworth Urja & Metals Limited)

It was informed that against an annual target of 0.3 MT, only 32900 tonne has been produced till September, 2021. Allottee informed that there were some land issue which has affected coal production and now it has been resolved and about 30,000 ton coal production will be produced in October, 2021 and It will further improve to 35000 ton - 40000 ton per month from November onwards..

9. Barjora (M/s West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited)

It was observed that there was no coal production in this financial year yet. Allottee informed that coal production will start in this month and will achieve coal production of around 0.36 MT till March 2022 as only 0.36 MT coal reserve is left and mine will be closed.

10. Barjora North (M/s West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited)

It was informed that 0.81 MT coal were produced last year and 0.54 MT till date in this financial year. Allottee further informed that about 1.5 MT coal will be produced this year. NA advised for increase in coal production especially in October and November 2021. Allottee assured that they are regularly monitoring the mine operations and will try to enhance the coal production in coming months.

11. Pachwara North (M/s WBPDCCL)

Allottee informed that 4.13 MT coal were produced last year and 3.97 MT coal has been produced till September this year. Allottee further informed that they will certainly produce about 8.0 MT by March 2022 and will try for even 10 MT. NA advised allottee for more coal production. Allottee informed that only forest clearance is the challenge and acquisition of 325 acres of land from Government of Jharkhand is under process It is expected that they will get this land by end of this month and will submit to forest department for further clearance. Allottee assured that they will achieve coal production up to 15 MTPA after getting forest clearance. NA advised allottee to ask for any assistance if required from Ministry of Coal and allottee replied that they will approach MoC for assistance if required.

12. Tara East & West (M/s WBPDCCL)

It was observed that coal production has not started. Allottee informed that MDO was appointed previously, however, appointment has been terminated and they are in the process of appointment of new MDO.

13. Gangaramchak, GangaramchakBhadulia (M/s WBPDCCL)

It was observed that coal production has not started this year yet. Allottee informed that due to heavy rain canal overflowed and roads were washed down. Allottee further informed that roads are under preparation and they will produce 1.0 MT (PRC) by March 2022.

14. Tadicherla-I (M/s Telangana State Power Corporation)

It was informed by allottee that they have achieved 1.3 MT coal production till date against PRC of 2.5 MT. Allottee further informed that they will certainly be able to produce 2.3 MT coal this year, however they will try to achieve PRC of 2.5 MT. As advised by NA, allottee assured that 2 lakh ton more coal will be produced in next two months.

15. Dulanga (M/s NTPC)

Allottee informed that they have produced 1.8 MT coal till September this year and will produce 5.25 MT coal in this financial year.

16. Talaipalli (M/s NTPC)

It was observed that only about 0.28 MT coal has been produced till August 2021. Allottee informed that coal production is stuck up due to dispute with MDO as approved Mine Plan has been challenged by MDO and there were cost implications associated. The matter was jointly referred to CMPDIL for verification and CMPDIL has advised for revision of Mine Plan. In this regard allottee has also invited MDO for further discussions and next hearing is on 21 October 2021. Allottee assured that the matter will be resolved in next few months.

17. Gare Palma IV-8 (M/s Ambuja Cement Limited)

It was observed that coal production is only about 0.133 MT till August 2021. Allottee informed that opencast mining is in operation and they are achieving their monthly production target. Allottee further informed that there is an issue of road diversion due to which coal production is affected and informed that tender work for the same is still pending and sought assistance from MoC in this matter. NA advised allottee to share details and assured all needed help in this connection.

Allottee also informed that underground mining has not started as DGMS approval is awaited. Allottee is hopeful of starting coal production shortly and assured that about 1.8 lakh ton coal will be produced from underground and 7 lakh ton overall from the mine this year.

18 Chatti Baraitu& Chatti Baraitu South (M/s NTPC)

It is observed that coal production has not started due to MDO appointment issue. Allottee informed that they have finalized the MDO and work will be awarded in next few days. Allottee further informed that there is also encroachment over mine area and they are pursuing the matter with district and state authorities. It was also informed that they will not be able to produce coal this year due to difficulty in land acquisition and production will start from next year.

19. Kerandhari (M/s NTPC)

It is observed that coal production has not started mainly due to MDO appointment issue. Allottee informed that they are not getting adequate bids, however, in the current bidding process, bids will be opened on 14th of this month and MDO appointment will be made by March 2022.. Allottee further informed that there are other challenges such as handing over of forest land by Government of Jharkhand to them since last 02 years. There are 400 houses whose asset evaluation has been completed and allottee is constantly pursuing the matter with State Government. Allottee sought assistance in R&R, Land acquisition and handover of forest land from MoC. NA assured that all assistance will be provided from ministry.

20. Manoharpur (M/s OCPL)

Allottee informed that they have produced 1.56 MT coal till September this year and will produce 4.5 MT coal in this financial year as per mine plan. NA advised allottee to explore possibilities of increased coal production this year as the mine has capacity for more coal production and informed that the directives for selling 50% coal in open market from Ministry of Coal will be issued in a day or two. Allottee assured that they will try to achieve 5.5 MT coal production this year after such encouragement from Ministry of Coal.

21. Gare Palma Sector III (M/s CSPGCL)

Allottee was absent in the meeting.

22. Talabira-II & III M/s NLC India Limited

Allottee informed that they have achieved coal production of 1.87 MT till September 2021 and will be able to produce 4.0 MT in this financial year as per approved mine plan. NA advised allottee to enhance coal production as the mine has more capacity of coal production. Allottee assured that they will produce 6.0 MT coal this year and 8.0 MT next year if 50 % sale of coal is allowed in open market. NA informed that directive allowing 50 % sale of coal from captive mines will be issued in a day or two.

23. Baranj I, II, III, IV, Kilori and Manoradeep (M/s KPCL)

Allottee informed that they had started coal production from March 2021 but due to heavy rain mine got flooded. Allottee further informed that dewatering is going on and assured that in a month coal production will increase, however, FC stage II is a challenge and achievement of PRC is possible only when forest land is transferred to them. It was informed that MoEF&CC has sought fresh consent of Gram Sabha while it was done in case of prior allottee and for resolving this they sought help of ministry. NA advised allottee to increase coal production capacity of mine as it has sufficient reserve and assured all support to them. Allottee informed that PRC can be increased from 2.5 MT to 3.7 MT per annum and they are working on that.

24. Trans Damodar (M/s The Durgapur Project Limited)

Allottee informed that coal production has been affected adversely due to heavy rain in monsoon season and assured that coal production will pick up from October month and they will be able to produce 1.0 MT (PRC) coal by March 2022. NA advised allottee to enhance coal production in next two months.

25. Marki Mangli-III (M/s B S Ispat Ltd)

It was observed that only 0.052 MT coal has been produced till August 2021. Allottee informed that coal production has started in May 2021 but coal production is not picking up due to few

local and administrative issues in August 2021 and heavy rain in September 2021. Allottee assured that coal production will increase in coming months and they will achieve PRC (0.21 MT) in this financial year.

26.Ardhagram (M/s OCL Iron & Steel Ltd)

Allottee informed that the company has come under NCLT .

27.Chotia (M/s BALCO)

Allottee informed that they have surrendered the mine and requested State government for terminating the mining lease but they have not received any response from the State.

28.Bicharpur (Ultratech Cement Ltd)

It is observed that coal production has not started yet. Allottee informed that due to delay in completion of drift drivage and stamp duty calculation coal production has not started. Allottee further informed that all pending issue has been resolved and they will start coal production in November 2021 and will produce 2 lakh coal in this financial year and 7.5 lakh ton coal from next year onwards.

29. Suliyari (M/s APMDCL)

Allottee informed that they have got mine opening permission on 13.8.2021 and they will start coal production shortly. Allottee further informed that few structures have been erected during the year 2014-16 in this block when there was no allottee, however, they are following up with district administration and will resolve the issue in the current month itself. Allottee assured that they will produce 2.5 MT coal by March 2022 as per mine plan.

At the end, Nominated Authority emphasized to enhance coal production and advise all Allottee to at least achieve PRC deadlines of this financial year. NA also stated that it will be highly appreciated if coal production may be increased in October and November 2021 seeking huge demand from all over the country.

Annexure – 01

List of participants from Ministry of Coal:-

Sl. No.	Name
1	Shri. M. Nagaraju, Additional Secretary and Nominated Authority
2	Shri Ajitesh Kumar, Deputy Secretary
3	Shri. Jitendra Kumar, Chief Manager (Mining)
4	Shri Manish Uniyal, Under Secretary
5	Smt Swati, Manager
6	Shri. Mahesh Pimpramule, Team Leader, PMU
7	Shri Rohit Sharma, SME, PMU
8	Shri Harish Chand ,Manager
9	Shri Abhisek Kumar,ASO
10	Young Professionals

List of participants from Companies:-

Sl. No.	List of Attendees
1	CEO, OCPL
2	MD KPCL
3	Dr. TRK Rao, Director
4	Shri Dipesh Bhatia, Hindalco Industries Ltd
5	Shri Vivek Mishra, Hindalco Industries Ltd
6	Shri Mainak Chakraborty, Hindalco Industries Ltd
7	Shri Debapriyo Sen, CESC
8	Shri Sandeep Kumar Jain, RCCPL
9	Shri Dipankar Khan
10	Shri B S Chaudhary
12	Shri M N Jha, Jaiprakash Associates Ltd
13	Shri Rohit, Chotia Mines, BALCO
14	Shri Sharanappa Kambalii, Ambuja Cements Ltd
15	Shri S N Chawla, rakash Associates Ltd
16	Shri B P Misra, Marki Mangli-II
17	Shri Partha Mazumder, NTPC
18	Shri Syed Khadry, Ultratech Cements Ltd
19	Representative from APMDC SITE
20	Representative from APMDC HO
21	Representative from KPCL Delhi
22	Representative from WBDCL
24	Representative from Durgapur Projects Ltd
25	Representative from NLCIL
26	CMD, RRVUN