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Government of India
(भारत सरकार)
Ministry of Coal
(कोयला मंत्रालय)


Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi, the 7th February, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 2/2024

The undersigned is directed to say that the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector (SLC/LT No. 2/2024) to consider the requests for linkages to Central / State Sector Power Plants and to review the status of existing coal linkages / LoAs and other related matters is scheduled to be held on **13.02.2024 at 3.30 P.M.** Venue for the meeting is Coal India Limited, Core 6, 6th Floor, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. Agenda item for the meeting is enclosed herewith.

2. It is, therefore, requested to make it convenient to attend the meeting.


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To

1.	Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal	Chairperson
2.	Principal Advisor (Energy), NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
3.	Joint Secretary (Coal), Ministry of Coal	Member
4.	Advisor (Projects), Ministry of Coal	Member
5.	Joint Secretary (Thermal), Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
6.	Joint Secretary (Ports), Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi	Member
7.	Executive Director, Coal, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	Member

8.	Director (Marketing), Coal India Limited	Member
9.	CMD's SCCL, BCCL, CCL, ECL, MCL, NCL, SECL & WCL	Members
10.	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Ltd., Gondwana Place, Kanke Road, Ranchi	Member
11.	Chairman, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan, RK Puram, New Delhi	Member
12.	Chairman, NTPC, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003	Member

Copy to (with the request to attend the meeting):

- i. Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal
- ii. Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organization, Kolkata

Copy also to:

- i. Director (Technical), Coal India Limited, Kolkata
- ii. GM (S&M), Coal India Limited, Kolkata
- iii. GM (S&M), Coal India Limited, Delhi

Copy for information to:

- i. Advisor to Secretary (Coal)
- ii. PPS to Additional Secretary (VT)
- iii. PPS to Joint Secretary (CPD)
- iv. PS to DS (CPD)
- v. NIC, Ministry of Coal - with the request to place it in the website of Ministry of Coal for information of all concerned.

Encl: (1)

Agenda for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 2/2024

Sl. No.	Issue
Coal linkage to the State of Uttar Pradesh under B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy	<p>Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 03.02.2024 has requested to earmark fresh long term coal linkage to the State of Uttar Pradesh under SHAKTI B (iv) to set up 1600 MW coal based Thermal Power Plants through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding in order to meet the required addition of coal based capacity in the country. UPERC vide its Order dated 23.06.2023 has allowed UPPCL to tie-up Long Term Power through coal, hydro, nuclear, gas etc. and has projected Round the Clock (RTC) deficit of 5943 MW & Peak deficit of 26139 MW by FY 2031-32 for the State of Uttar Pradesh. Ministry of Power has stated that as per the initial results of Resource Adequacy analysis of State of Uttar Pradesh conducted by CEA along with the State Authorities, till FY 2031-32, about 10800 MW additional coal based capacity shall be required. Ministry of Power has envisaged requirement of around 80 GW of additional coal based capacity by FY 2031-32 in the country and accordingly, all the States, including Uttar Pradesh, have been advised to ensure Resource Adequacy by urgently planning capacity addition through its own resources or by floating power procurement bids under Tariff Policy 2016 / under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy.</p> <p>SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 24.06.2019 had recommended earmarking of coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy from Coal India Limited to the State of Uttar Pradesh for a capacity of 1600 MW. SLC (LT) had also recommended that in case the tariff-based bidding gets delayed, then the same shall be informed by the concerned State Government to the coal company, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power.</p> <p>Coal linkages earmarked under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy were reviewed in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 21.09.2022. During the meeting, CEA had informed that UPERC vide Order dated 09.07.2019 had directed UPPCL to restrain from entering into long term contract for procurement of power from coal based thermal power plant till December, 2022. Therefore, no tariff-based bidding was undertaken by the State of Uttar Pradesh for the earmarked linkage under B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy states that the quantity remaining unutilized for 2 years continuously shall lapse. As no tariff based competitive bidding was undertaken by the State of Uttar Pradesh, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 21.09.2022 recommended that the coal linkage earmarked to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy shall lapse. Hence, the linkage earmarked earlier to the State of Uttar Pradesh under B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy for undertaking tariff based competitive bidding has lapsed.</p> <p>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</p>