## No.13016/37/2009-CA-I Government of India Ministry of Coal

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New Delhi, the 28 February, 2013

To,

The Chairman,
Damodar Valley Corporation
DVC Towers, VIP Road, Kolkata - 700 054

Sub: Withdrawal of de-allocation of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block- regarding.

Sir,

Kindly refer to Ministry of Coal's letter of even number dated 14.06.2011 deallocating the above block and letter dated 30.01.2012 conveying the 'in-principle' decision of the withdrawal of de-allocation Saharpur Jamarpani coal block.

- 2. DVC was also asked to submit schedule of next 24 months regarding exploitation of coal blocks. It was decided that on receipt of a reply from DVC a formal letter withdrawing de-allocation would be issued. The schedule of exploitation was submitted by DVC to the Ministry of Coal 09.02.2012.
- 3. In the meanwhile, the commencement of Amendment to Mines and Mineral(Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 as well as Auction by Competitive Bidding of Coal Mines Rules, 2012 have been notified in February, 2012. As the Rules above were notified before the formal withdrawal of de-allocation letter, a reference was made to Ministry of Law and Justice (MoLJ). The Ministry of Law Justice, in the case of Chattibariatu, Chatti Bariatu (South) and Kerandari, has advised that the proposed action is not in contravention of Act/Rules and further opined that upon the withdrawal of de-allocation in principle vide Ministry of Coal letter date 27.01.2012, status quo ante as prior to 14.06.2011 with respect to the concerned coal blocks stood restored.
- 4. In view of the above it has, therefore, been decided to withdraw the de-allocation of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block which was de-allocated vide this Ministry's letter No. 13016/37/2009-CA-I dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2011. This is subject to DVC developing the block

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as per the revised schedule of exploitation submitted by it vide their letter CMM/FW/HQ/12B/1436 dated 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2012. It may however be stated that all other conditions as mentioned in the allocation letters of the above coal blocks would remain unchanged.

Yours faithfully,

(A.Sanjay Sahay)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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