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

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New Delhi, the 3rd January, 2014

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The Chairman, M/s Damodar Valley Corporation, DVC Towers, V.I.P Road, Kolkata - 700 054

Subject: Show Cause Notice to M/s Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) in respect of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block-regarding.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 13016/8/2007-CA-I dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2007 conveying allocation of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block to M/s Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) in pursuance of provisions of Section 3 (3)(a)(i) of the Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act,1973 and the Revised Policy on Coal Mining by State Government subject to certain conditions.

2. 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. The IMG in its 22nd Meeting held on 23.10.2013, inter alia, considered the status of the development of the Saharpur Jamarpani coal block prepared by the Coal Controller's Organisation (CCO) as on June, 2013 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<br>date of<br>Completion    | Actual date<br>of<br>Completion | in | Remarks                                       | Special<br>Observation         |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----|---|--------------------------------|
| Purchase of<br>GR | 28.5.2015<br>(27 Months<br>from DOA) | Pending                         | -  | PL granted<br>on<br>24.2.2012.<br>Exploration | Exploring<br>agency is<br>SCCL |

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|  |  |         |   | could not<br>be<br>undertaken<br>due to local<br>disturbance |  |
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| Submission<br>of Bank<br>Guarantee       | 28.8.2015<br>(3 Months)                          | Yes     | - | BG<br>introduced<br>in<br>June.2007                          |  |
| Mining<br>Lease<br>Application           | 28.8.15<br>(3 Months<br>from GR<br>preparation   | Pending | - |  |  |
| Submission<br>of Mining<br>Plan          | 28.11.15<br>(6 Months)<br>from GR<br>preparation | Pending | - |  |  |
| Approval of<br>Mining Plan               | 28.1.16<br>(8 Months)                            | Pending | - |  |  |
| Application of Previous approval         | 28.3.16<br>(10<br>Months)                        | Pending | - |  |  |
| Granting of<br>Previous<br>approval      | 28.4.16<br>(11<br>Months)                        | Pending | - |  |  |
| Application of Forest clearance          | 28.5.16 (12<br>Months)-                          | Pending | - |  |  |
| Grant of<br>Forest<br>Clearance          | 28.11.16 -<br>(18<br>Months)                     | Pending | - |  |  |
| Application<br>EMP<br>Clearance          | 28.5.16 (12<br>Months)                           | Pending | - |  |  |
| Grant of<br>EMP<br>Clearance             | 28.11.16<br>(18<br>Months)                       | Pending | - |  |  |
| Grant of<br>Mining<br>Lease              | 28.5.17<br>(24<br>Months)                        | Pending | - |  |  |
| Application<br>of Land<br>Acquisition    | 28.12.16 (<br>(19<br>months)<br>from GR          | Pending | - |  |  |
| Completion<br>of Land<br>Acquisition     | 28.5.18 (36<br>Months)                           | Pending | - |  |  |
| Application<br>for opening<br>permission | 28.9.18<br>(40Months)                            | Pending | - |  |  |

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| Grant of<br>Opening<br>permission | 28.10.18<br>(41Months)     | Pending | - |                                    |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| Coal<br>Production                | 28.11.18<br>(42<br>Months) | Pending | - | OC mine with Forest land involved. | No<br>significant<br>progress has<br>been<br>achieved<br>since<br>reallocation. |

Keeping in view the unsatisfactory progress, IMG recommended to issue show cause notice for delay in development of coal block. The recommendation of IMG has since been considered and accepted by the Government.

- 4. Under the above circumstances, you are hereby called upon to show cause, on each milestone separately to this Ministry within a period of 20 days from the date of issue of this show cause notice as to why the delay in the development of the coal block should not be held as violation of the terms and conditions of the allocation of Saharpur Jamarpani Coal block and why the block should not be de-allocated failing which it would be presumed that the your company has no explanation to offer and action as appropriate would be taken against your company for de-allocation of the said coal block.
- 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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