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Subject:- Minutes of the first meeting of the IMC held on 6th December,2013 to formulate a policy on coal/rejects allocation for washery reject based power plants-reg

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the minutes of the first meeting of the IMC held on 6th December, 2013 to formulate a policy on coal/rejects allocation for washery reject based power plants.

2. This issues with the approval of Additional Secretary(Coal)

Encl: as above

(S. Bhattacharya)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

- The Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forest, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi.
- 2. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi
- 3. Adviser, Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4. Coal Controller Organization, 1 Council House Street, Kolkata
- 5. Director (Marketing), CIL, 15, Park Street, Kolkata
- 6. Director (Technical), CIL, 10 NS Road, Kolkata

Copy to:

- 1. Sr. PPS to Secretary, Ministry of Coal
- 2. Sr. PPS to Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal
- 3. PS to Joint Secretary(C), Ministry of Coal
- 4. PS to Joint Secretary (LA), Ministry of Coal
- 5. Advisor (Project) Ministry of Coal
- 6. PA to Deputy Secretary(CPD).

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(S. Bhattacharya)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Minutes of the first Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) constituted for formulation of a policy on Allocation Of Coal/ Rejects for washery rejects based power plants - held on 06.12.2013

The first meeting of the Committee constituted for formulating a policy on allocation of Coal / rejects to 'washery-reject' based power plants was held on 06.12.2013 under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary (Coal). A list of participants is enclosed at Annexure.

- 2. Additional Secretary (Coal) welcomed the participants and explained the background of the issue. The meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long Term) for Power held on 07.01.2013 recommended that Ministry of Coal could formulate a policy for supply of coal and coal rejects to 'washery-reject' based power plants. As of now, no fresh linkages are being granted for any sector due to the negative coal balance being reported by various subsidiary companies of Coal India Ltd (CIL). As per the guidelines issued earlier by the Ministry of Power, the proportion of coal and rejects to such power plants was indicated as 22:78.
- 3. Director (Mktg.), CIL stated that there was no policy for providing long term linkages for washery rejects. The rejects generated from coal washeries of CIL are disposed of through e-auction. As far as the rejects generated by private washeries commissioned by consumers of CIL are concerned, CIL had no control over or data on utilisation of such rejects. Representative of the Coal Controller Organization stated that such data about the quantity of rejects generated by private washeries were not available with that office. He also added that the present quantity of rejects generated by CIL washeries was about 1.4 MT. He urged the committee to examine and consider the desirability of having such a policy, considering the limited quantity of rejects being generated by CIL washeries at present. However, CIL was in the process of setting up new washeries which would be operational in about three years' time and then the quantity of rejects would also increase once these new washeries became fully operational. Further, though no primary data

were available on quantum of rejects from private washeries, it was indicated to be around 6.4 MT.

- 4. It was pointed out by JS(C), JS(LA) and Adv (P) that after the adoption of GCV the concept of rejects needed to be accurately defined. Therefore, a definition/ categorization of rejects taking into account the GCV was required, for which the assistance of CMPDI/CIMFR could be taken by CIL.
- 5. Representative of Ministry of Environment & Forest stated that the definition of washery rejects was not clear. He also suggested that it would be desirable to have a proper definition and on that basis, to formulate uniform policy for rejects generated by all washeries including those run by captive coal blocks.
- Representative of the CEA stated that boilers of rejects based power plants required a total GCV of about 2800 by mixing rejects with ROM coal.
- 7. After deliberations, the Committee decided that Ministry of Power/
 Central Electricity Authority would prepare a report on the issue
 indicating the various technical details such as the required GCV of
 washery rejects to be consumed by such power plants as well as ROM
 coal. The report could also suggest the normative quantities required by
 such units keeping in view the availability of washery rejects from CIL
 sources and their heat value. This report may be sent to Ministry of
 Coal within a week.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.