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Government of India

(भारत सरकार)

Ministry of Coal

(कोयला मंत्रालय)

Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi, the 5th July, 2024

To

1. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
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2. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
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Khairatabad PO, Hyderabad, Telangana

Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC (LT) No. 04/2024

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the approved minutes of the meeting of the SLC (LT) for Power Sector held on 11.06.2024 / 26.06.2024 to consider the requests for coal linkages to Central / State Sector power plants and to review the status of existing coal linkages / LoAs & other related matters.

Yours faithfully,



(Sudarshan Bhagat)

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Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 4/2024

Venue: Coal India Limited, Core 6, 6th Floor, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

Date & Time: 11.06.2024 at 3.30 P.M and continuation meeting held on 26.06.2024 at 5.00 P.M

List of the Participants is at the **Annexure**.

Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the Meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 01.03.2024 & 04.03.2024

Record of Discussion: There were no comments from any of the members.

Recommendations: Minutes of the Meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 01.03.2024 / 04.03.2024 are confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2: Long-term coal linkage to Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 10.04.2024 has requested to consider the request of DVC to grant coal linkage of 4.55 MTPA of thermal grade coal from Coal India Limited to the upcoming Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy. Ministry of Power has informed that DVC has planned to install 1 x 800 MW unit at the existing premises of Durgapur Thermal Power Station and the unit has been included by CEA as candidate plant in the proposed additional capacity requirement by the year 2029-30. Ministry of Power has also stated that the proposed Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC is not linked with any captive coal block allocated to DVC.

Record of Discussion: Project Proponent (DVC) stated that the Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project has been approved by its Board as brownfield project at the existing premises of Durgapur Thermal Power Station and requested for a fresh coal linkage. Project Proponent informed that CoD of the project is expected by January, 2029. DVC also stated that the Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800



MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC are not linked with any captive coal block.

Ministry of Power stated that the unit has been included by CEA as candidate plant in the proposed additional capacity requirement by the year 2029-30 and recommended for grant of coal linkage under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy to the upcoming units of DVC. NITI Aayog also recommended for grant of fresh coal linkage

CEA stated that candidate plants are the new capacity addition power plants to meet the power requirement of the country. CEA further recommended for grant of coal linkage to the proposed units of DVC.

SCCL stated that it would not be able to supply coal to the unit of DVC.

Coal India Limited stated that it can offer coal to Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC from available sources.

Representative from O/o the Nominated Authority confirmed that Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC is not linked with any captive coal block.

Recommendation: In view of the recommendation of Ministry of Power, SLC (LT) recommended for grant of coal linkage to Durgapur Thermal Power Station (1 x 800 MW) Ultra Super Critical Project of DVC under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy from Coal India Limited. SLC (LT) also suggested that during the allocation of coal linkage from the subsidiaries, Coal India Limited may have consultations with Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways and Ministry of Railways so that the linkages are allocated from sources based on coal availability and transportability.

Agenda Item No. 3: Extension of Bridge Linkage of Harduaganj Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) and Panki Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW) of UPRVUNL:

UPRVUNL vide letter dated 29.02.2024 has requested for extension of Bridge Linkage of the End Use Plants viz. Harduaganj Extension TPP (1 x

660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) and Panki Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW) of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block of UPRVUNL for a further period of 5 years. UPRVUNL has informed that Harduaganj Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW) is operational and CoD of one unit of Jawaharpur TPP & Obra 'C' TPP has been achieved. UPRVUNL has also stated that it is in the process of selection of MDO through NIT for the development of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block and the revised NIT for the selection of MDO was floated on 14.09.2023. However, due to non-participation of bidders, bid submission date was extended upto 22.03.2024. UPRVUNL has stated that production from Saharpur Jamarpani coal block is likely to commence in 2029.

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 16.06.2023 had recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage for the Harduaganj Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) & Panki Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW) of UPRVTINL for a period of 1 year. Bridge Linkage for the aforesaid units of UPRVUNL are valid upto 12.08.2024.

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 18.03.2024 has requested to consider the request of UPRVUNL for extension of Bridge Linkage of the End Use Plants linked to Saharpur Jamarpani coal block in order to avoid the loss of generation / delay in commissioning activities.

O/o the Nominated Authority has informed that Saharpur Jamarpani coal block is allocated to UPRVUNL under CMSP Act vide Allotment Order dated 13.08.2015 and the scheduled date of operationalization as per the Efficiency Parameters was 13.02.2021. O/o the Nominated Authority has also informed that exploration activity has not yet started in Saharpur Jamarpani coal block.

Record of Discussion: Project Proponent (UPRVUNL) stated that selection of MDO is in process and NLCIL has been appointed as consultant for bid process of MDO. However, due to no participation in the tender process for selection of MDO, bids were extended 6 times and later on, the tender was cancelled. Project Proponent also informed that revised NIT for selection of

MDO has been floated, however, due to non-submission of bids, bid submission and opening date has been extended.

Ministry of Power recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage in view of delays in the development of the Saharpur Jamarpani coal block and to avoid any loss of generation from the linked operational units of Saharpur Jamarpani coal block. CEA also recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage.

NITI Aayog recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage.

Representative from O/o the Nominated Authority stated that Saharpur Jamarpani coal block was allocated to UPRVUNL in May, 2015 and there have been no sincere efforts by UPRVUNL to develop the coal block.

Coal India Limited stated that it can offer coal from the available sources

Recommendations: In view of the discussions held and the recommendation of Ministry of Power, SLC (LT) recommended for extension of Bridge Linkage for the Harduaganj Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW), Jawaharpur TPP (2 x 660 MW), Obra 'C' TPP (2 x 660 MW) & Panki Extension TPP (1 x 660 MW) of UPRVUNL for a period of 1 year. The rates of coal supplies against the extended Bridge Linkage would be decided by Coal India Limited.

Agenda Item No. 4: Coal linkage to the State of Karnataka under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 01.05.2024 has recommended to earmark long-term coal linkage to Government of Karnataka under SHAKTI Para B (iv) to tie up 2000 MW capacity through coal-based capacity, which will help in meeting the required addition of coal-based capacity in the country. Ministry of Power has stated that it has envisaged around 80 GW of additional coal-based capacity requirement by FY 2031-32 in the country and accordingly, it has requested the States where Resource Adequacy studies have been completed to urgently plan to meet the gap by either addition of new capacity, through its own resources or by floating power procurement bids under Tariff Policy, 2016 or under SHAKTI B (iv). As per

the Resource Adequacy Plan prepared by CEA, State of Karnataka is required to tie up additional 5140 MW of coal-based thermal capacity by FY 2031-32. Ministry of Power has stated that to meet the deficit, Government of Karnataka is willing to tie-up 2000 MW coal-based capacity through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB)s under SHAKTI B (iv).

Record of Discussion (held on 11.06.2024 and 26.06.2024): Ministry of Power informed that the power requirement of 2000 MW for the State of Karnataka is for long-term and the TBCB / identification of the successful bidder (s) shall be completed by the Government of Karnataka by December, 2024 and the anticipated date of CoD of the units of successful bidder (s) is FY 2026-27. Ministry of Power also informed that Government of Karnataka is planning to procure the power from the units which are under construction or through New Capacity creation, which may be a Brownfield / pithead Greenfield project. Further, the coal drawl by the successful bidder (s) shall start from FY 2026-27. Ministry of Power recommended for earmarking of coal linkage to the State of Karnataka under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy for 2000 MW.

Representative of Government of Karnataka informed that the power requirement of 2000 MW of the State from the earmarked linkage will be coming within 2 years, hence, the power shall be procured from the existing capacities. Accordingly, the coal drawl by the successful bidder (s) shall also start within 2 years.

NITI Aayog recommended for earmarking for coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Karnataka.

It was discussed that there is an ambiguity on the schedule of power & coal drawl as indicated by the representative of Government of Karnataka vis-à-vis as informed through Ministry of Power in the meeting, and in view of this, it was agreed that the progress of the TBCB based on the linkage earmarked under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Karnataka may be reviewed after a period of 1 year.



SCCL stated that it would not be able to offer coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Karnataka.

Coal India Limited stated that coal can be offered from the available sources.

Recommendation: SLC (LT) recommended for earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 2000 MW under Para (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Karnataka. Coal India Limited shall intimate the earmarked linkage with description to the State of Karnataka with information to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. The tripartite agreements in terms of LoA / FSA may be entered into between concerned Coal company, State Government and the successful bidder, as may be the case. This information shall also be furnished to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. Considering the discussions, SLC (LT) also recommended to review the progress of the TBCB undertaken by the State of Karnataka for the procurement of power based on the linkage earmarked under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy.

Agenda Item No. 5: Coal linkage to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 06.05.2024 has recommended to earmark long-term coal linkage to the Government of Uttar Pradesh under SHAKTI Para B (iv) to tie-up 4000 MW capacity of power through coal-based capacity, which will help to meet the required addition of coal-based capacity in the country. Ministry of Power has stated that it has envisaged a requirement of around 80 GW of additional coal-based capacity in the country by FY 2031-32 and accordingly, it has requested the States including the State of Uttar Pradesh, where Resource Adequacy studies have been completed to ensure 'Resource Adequacy' and urgently plan to meet the gap by either addition of new capacity, through its own resources or by floating power procurement bids under Tariff Policy, 2016 or under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Ministry of Power has stated that as per the Resource Adequacy Plan prepared by CEA, the State of Uttar Pradesh is required to tie-up additional 10,795 MW of coal-based Thermal capacity by

FY 2033-34. Government of Uttar Pradesh has informed Ministry of Power that around 6600 MW of additional coal-based capacity is already under pipeline in the State and to meet the deficit, Government of Uttar Pradesh is willing to set up 4000 MW coal-based capacity through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy.

Recently, in view of the request of Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 03.02.2024, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 13.02.2024 had recommended earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 1600 MW under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Uttar Pradesh for undertaking TBCB for the procurement of power.

Record of Discussion (held on 26.06.2024): Ministry of Power informed that the power requirement of 4000 MW for the State of Uttar Pradesh is for long-term and the TBCB / identification of the successful bidder (s) shall be completed by the Government of Uttar Pradesh by September, 2024. Further, the anticipated date of CoD of the units of successful bidder (s) is FY 2030-31. Ministry of Power also informed that Government of Uttar Pradesh is planning to procure the power through New Capacity creation, which may be a Brownfield / Greenfield project and the coal drawl by the successful bidder (s) shall start from FY 2030-31. Ministry of Power also clarified that the power requirement of 4000 MW for the State of Uttar Pradesh is over and above the power requirement of 1600 MW, for which coal linkage has already been earmarked to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Ministry of Power recommended for earmarking of coal linkage to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy for 4000 MW.

Representative of Government of Uttar Pradesh stated that the power procurement shall be through New Capacity creation, which may be a brownfield / Greenfield project. Representative of Government of Uttar Pradesh also stated that the location of the power plant (s) to be created shall depend upon the source of coal earmarked under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. It was also informed that the power requirement of 4000 MW of the State from the earmarked linkage will be tentatively after 5 years.

NITI Aayog recommended for earmarking for coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Uttar Pradesh.

SCCL stated that it would not be able to offer coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Uttar Pradesh.

Coal India Limited stated that coal can be offered from the available sources.

Recommendations: SLC (LT) recommended for earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 4000 MW under Para (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Uttar Pradesh. Coal India Limited shall intimate the earmarked linkage with description to the State of Uttar Pradesh with information to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. The tripartite agreements in terms of LoA / FSA may be entered into between concerned Coal company, State Government and the successful bidder, as may be the case. This information shall also be furnished to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. SLC (LT) also recommended that in case the TBCB gets delayed, then the same shall be informed by the State of Uttar Pradesh to the coal company, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power.

Agenda Item No. 6: Coal linkage to the State of Maharashtra under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 30.05.2024 has recommended to earmark long-term coal linkage to the Government of Maharashtra under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to set up 1600 MW coal based Thermal Power Plant through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) in order to meet the required addition of coal-based capacity in the country. Ministry of Power has stated that it has envisaged 80 GW of additional coal-based capacity requirement by FY 2031-32 in the country and accordingly, it has requested the States where Resource Adequacy Studies have been completed, including the State of Maharashtra, to ensure Resource Adequacy for meeting the gap by either addition of new capacity, through its own resources or by floating power procurement bids under Tariff Policy, 2016 or under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Ministry of Power has stated that as

per the Resource Adequacy plan prepared by CEA, State of Maharashtra / MSEDCL is required to tie-up 9700 MW of Thermal capacity by FY 2031-32 and to meet the deficit, Government of Maharashtra is willing to set up 1600 MW of coal-based capacity through TBCB under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Ministry of Power has informed that 1600 MW capacity addition through TBCB from the earlier earmarked linkage for 1600 MW under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy is already under pipeline.

Recently, SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 01.03.2024 / 04.03.2024 had recommended for earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 1600 MW under Para (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Maharashtra.

Record of Discussion (held on 26.06.2024): Ministry of Power informed that Government of Maharashtra vide its letter dated 12.06.2024 has withdrawn their request for coal linkage for additional 1600 MW under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy as the same was a reiteration of its earlier request for earmarking of coal linkage for 1600 MW under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. Therefore, the present recommendation of Ministry of Power may be withdrawn, since coal linkage for 1600 MW has already been earmarked under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Maharashtra.

Recommendation: In view of the request of Ministry of Power, SLC (LT) did not take up the Agenda Item for discussion.

Agenda Item No. 7: Coal linkage to the State of West Bengal under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 31.05.2024 has recommended to earmark long-term coal linkage to the Government of West Bengal under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to set up 4100 MW coal-based Thermal Power Plant through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB), in order to meet the required addition to coal-based capacity in the country. Ministry of Power has stated that Resource Adequacy study of West Bengal is yet to be carried out by the CEA as requisite data is awaited from West Bengal. However, Government of West Bengal has informed that the anticipated gap in power demand-supply shall be 2559 MW in FY 2024-25 and this shall increase to

4100 – 4400 MW in FY 2032-33. Ministry of Power has stated that as per the 20th EPS Report, the likely peak demand of West Bengal in the year 2031-32 is 16,824 MW.

Record of Discussion (held on 11.06.2024 and 26.06.2024):

Representative of Government of West Bengal informed that the anticipated gap in power demand-supply in the State of West Bengal is expected to be 2559 MW in FY 2024-25 and this gap is expected to increase to 4100 – 4400 MW in FY 2032-33. It was also stated that power procurement through TBCB can be from Greenfield / Brownfield projects and clarity to this effect will be given in the bid documents. However, the power plants would be located in the State of West Bengal.

Ministry of Power clarified that 4100 MW expected deficit in the FY 2032-33 is excluding the 3580 MW of coal-based capacity already in the pipeline in the State of West Bengal. Ministry of Power informed that the power requirement of 4100 MW for the State of West Bengal is for long-term and the TBCB / identification of the successful bidder (s) shall be completed by the Government of West Bengal by December, 2024 and the anticipated date of CoD of the units of successful bidder (s) is March, 2029. Ministry of Power also informed that Government of West Bengal is planning to procure the power through New Capacity creation, which may be a Brownfield / pithead Greenfield project and the coal drawl by the successful bidder (s) shall start after 5 years. Ministry of Power recommended for earmarking of coal linkage to the State of West Bengal under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy for 4100 MW.

NITI Aayog recommended for earmarking of coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of West Bengal.

SCCL stated that it would not be able to offer coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy.

Coal India Limited stated that coal can be offered from the available sources.

Recommendation: SLC (LT) recommended for earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 4100 MW under Para (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of West Bengal. Coal India Limited shall intimate the

earmarked linkage with description to the State of West Bengal with information to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. The tripartite agreements in terms of LoA / FSA may be entered into between concerned Coal company, State Government and the successful bidder, as may be the case. This information shall also be furnished to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. SLC (LT) also recommended that in case the TBCB gets delayed, then the same shall be informed by the State of West Bengal to the coal company, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power.

Agenda Item No. 8: Extension of validity of LoA of Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) (2 x 800) MW) of NTPC:

SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 10.04.2018 had recommended for coal linkage to the Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) (2 x 660) MW) of NTPC under Para B (i) of SHAKTI Policy. The unit size of the Super critical power Project was later on decided to be increased to 2 x 800 MW in order to take advantage of increased quantity of cheaper and efficient power from the 800 MW size units. Coal linkage for the enhanced capacity was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 21.12.2018 and the committee recommended enhancement of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for NTPC's Singrauli STPP-III Expansion Project (2 x 800 MW).

Validity of the LoA of Singrauli STPP-III (2 x 800 MW) has been extended previously for two years from the date of expiry of the original LoA validity period with the provisions of review of progress of the project development by CEA after 1 year. Matter was taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 21.09.2022. SLC (LT) had also recommended for submission of the progress report by CEA to SLC (LT) after the review. SLC (LT) also recommended that the LoA would be terminated in case there is no considerable progress. The progress was reviewed by SLC (LT) in the meeting held on 19.09.2023, wherein, it was recommended for continuation of the LoA of Singrauli STPP-III till the validity period of the LoA as recommended in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 21.09.2022.

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 30.05.2024 has requested to take up the matter of extension of LoA of Singrauli STPP-III of NTPC for another one year

for the consideration of the SLC (LT). Ministry of Power has stated that the validity of the LoA of Singrauli STPP-III was extended by SLC (LT) in the meeting held on 21.09.2022 for a period of 2 years from the date of expiry of original LoA i.e. upto 20.04.2024, however, later on, NCL had unilaterally encashed / remitted the Commitment Guarantee (CG) amount of ₹ 33.66 Crore. Ministry of Power has stated that the issue of encashment of CG of Singrauli STPP-III by NCL is still pending, hence, the request of NTPC for extension of LoA of Singrauli STPP-III for another 1 year may be taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT).

Record of Discussion (held on 11.06.2024 and 26.06.2024): Project Proponent (NTPC) informed that it has fulfilled all the milestones prescribed in the LoA of Singrauli STPP-III (2 x 800 MW) within the extended validity period of the LoA and this has been communicated to NCL. However, NCL had unilaterally encashed / remitted the CG amount of ₹ 33.66 Crore. NTPC stated that the issue of encashment of CG is yet to resolve. NTPC requested for further extension of validity of LoA of Singrauli STPP-III by 1 year so that the issue of encashment of CG may get resolved and the linkage allocation remains valid.

Ministry of Power recommended for extension of validity of LoA of Singrauli STPP-III (2 x 800 MW) of NTPC for another 1 year.

It was discussed that SLC (LT) while extending the validity of the LoA of Singrauli STPP-III (2 x 800 MW) for 2 years in its meeting held on 21.09.2022 from the date of expiry of original LoA validity period had also recommended that the matter of Commitment Guarantee etc., if any, would be as per the applicable commercial terms and conditions of Coal India Limited / its subsidiaries. It was also discussed that the previous extension of LoA was recommended by SLC (LT) on the ground of non-fulfillment of some of the milestones of LoA of Singrauli STPP-III (2 x 800 MW) by NTPC. Therefore, since the milestones of LoA have been achieved now, hence, the question of recommendation for LoA extension by the SLC (LT) does not arise.



Recommendations: SLC (LT) recommended that since NTPC has completed the milestones prescribed in the LoA within the extended period of 2 years allowed by SLC (LT) in its meeting held on 21.09.2022, hence, any further extension of LoA of Singrauli Super Critical Power Project (STPP-III) (2 x 800 MW) of NTPC on account of resolving the issue of encashment of CG by NCL is not a subject matter for consideration by the SLC (LT) and is a commercial matter between NTPC and Coal India Limited. The matter of CG etc, if any, would be as per the applicable commercial terms and conditions of Coal India Limited / its subsidiaries.

Additional Agenda Item

Additional Agenda Item No. 1: Coal linkage to the State of Assam under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy:

Ministry of Power vide O.M dated 10.06.2024 has recommended to earmark long-term coal linkage to the Government of Assam under SHAKTI Policy Para B (iv) to tie-up 500 MW through coal-based capacity in order to meet the required addition of coal-based capacity in the country. Ministry of Power has stated that it has envisaged around 80 GW of additional coal-based capacity requirement in the country by FY 2031-32 and accordingly, Ministry of Power has requested the States to urgently plan to meet the gap by either addition of new capacity, through its own resources or by floating power procurement bids under Tariff Policy, 2016 or under SHAKTI Policy Para B (iv). Ministry of Power has stated that as per the Resource Adequacy Plan prepared by CEA, State of Assam is required to tie-up 630 MW of coal-based capacity by FY 2029-30 and to meet the deficit, Government of Assam is willing to tie-up 500 MW coal-based capacity through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) under SHAKTI Para B (iv).

Record of Discussion (held on 26.06.2024): Ministry of Power informed that the power requirement of 500 MW for the State of Assam is for long-term and the TBCB / identification of the successful bidder (s) shall be completed by the Government of Assam by October, 2024. Ministry of Power also informed that the power requirement of the State of Assam is on an immediate basis and Government of Assam is planning to procure the power

through existing capacities. Further, the coal drawl by the successful bidder (s) shall start from FY 2025-26. Ministry of Power recommended for earmarking of coal linkage to the Government of Assam under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy for 500 MW.

Government of Assam stated that the power demand in the State is increasing and to meet the demand, Government of Assam is willing to procure 500 MW power through TBCB. It was informed that the RfP and the RfQ documents have been finalized and is with the Board for its approval. Government of Assam stated that RfQ will be floated as soon as the coal linkage is earmarked to the State of Assam under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy. It was also stated that the coal and the power drawl shall start from the FY 2025-26.

NITI Aayog recommended for earmarking for coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Assam.

SCCL stated that it would not be able to offer coal linkage under Para B (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Assam.

Coal India Limited stated that coal can be offered from the available sources.

Recommendations: SLC (LT) recommended for earmarking of coal linkage from Coal India Limited for a capacity of 500 MW under Para (iv) of SHAKTI Policy to the State of Assam. Coal India Limited shall intimate the earmarked linkage with description the State of Assam with information to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. The tripartite agreements in terms of LoA / FSA may be entered into between concerned Coal company, State Government and the successful bidder, as may be the case. This information shall also be furnished to Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power. SLC (LT) also recommended that in case the TBCB gets delayed, then the same shall be informed by the State of Assam to the coal company, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Power.

List of Participants (Meeting held on 11.06.2024)

Ministry of Coal

1. Ms Vismita Tej, Additional Secretary [In the Chair]
2. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Kassi, Joint Secretary (CPD)
3. Shri Ramakant Singh, ED (CTC)
4. Shri Venkateshwarlu Marapally, Director (T), O/o the Nominated Authority

Ministry of Power

1. Shri Piyush Singh, Joint Secretary

Ministry of Railways

1. Shri Avinash Kumar Mishra, Executive Director

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1. Shri Jawahar Lal, General Manager (Energy)

Central Electricity Authority

1. Shri Rajeev Kumar, Chief Engineer
2. Shri Saurabh Kumar, Director
3. Shri Himanshu Katiyar, Assistant Director

Coal India Limited

1. Shri Mukesh Choudhary, Director (M&S)
2. Shri Sujay Halder, ED (M&S)
3. Shri Vineet Singh, CM (FSA/Linkage)

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited

1. Shri T. S. Behera, General Manager (M&S)

Northern Coalfields Limited

1. Shri D.K. Maitin, General Manager

South Eastern Collieries Limited

1. Shri C.B. Singh, General Manager (M&S)

Eastern Coalfields Limited

1. Shri G.S. Mishra, GM (M&S)

Western Coalfields Limited

1. Shri Vimal Singh Goondli, Senior Manager (M&S)

Bharat Coking Coalfields Limited

1. Shri Hitesh Varma, General Manager
2. Shri Anish Kumar, Deputy Manager (M&S)

Singareni Collieries Company Limited

1. Shri J. Allwyn, Executive Director

NTPC Limited

1. Shri P.K. Mishra, Executive Director
2. Shri Sachin Agarwal, AGM

Coal Controller Organization

1. Shri Ranvijay Kumar Singh, OSD

UPRVUNL

1. Shri D.V. Singh, Chief Engineer

KPCL, Government of Karnataka

1. Shri S.N. Sharma

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