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Shastri Bhawan,

New Delhi, the 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector – SLC/LT No. 7/2024**

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith the additional agenda item for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector scheduled to be held on **27.11.2024 at 5.00 P.M.**



(Sudarshan Bhagat)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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 of attend the meeting):**

- i. Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal

- ii. Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organization, Kolkata
- iii. Director (P&S-I & P &S-II)

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- ii. PPS to Additional Secretary (VT)
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**Additional Agenda for the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) for Power Sector**

Agenda Item	Issue
<p><b>Additional Agenda Item No. 2: Transfer of coal linkage of Dr. NTTPS and Dr. M.V.R RTPP of APGENCO</b></p>	<p>Andhra Pradesh Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGENCO) vide letter 20.11.2024 has requested for transfer of 4.8 MT (i.e. 2 MT of Dr. NTTPS and 2.8 MT of Dr. M.V.R RTPP) of existing Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) coal quantity with Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) to Coal India Limited (CIL). APGENCO has informed that it is having FSA with Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) and SCCL for supply of coal to its Thermal Power Plants Dr. NTTPS and Dr. M.V.R RTPP. APGENCO has mentioned that a quantity of 3 MTPA of coal linkage of Dr. NTTPS was transferred from MCL to SCCL in 2022 keeping in view of the shorter lead distance from SCCL mines to Dr. NTTPS, supply of more number of rakes and lesser transportation cost of coal. APGENCO has stated that SCCL has revised the prices of coal a number of times after entering of FSA, as a result of which, the coal prices have increased by almost ₹ 1000 - ₹ 1800 per tonne, in comparison to MCL prices and due to this, cost of generation has increased more than the allowable limit fixed by APERC, which is leading to huge financial loss to APGENCO. Further, due to inferior quality of coal received from SCCL, the specific coal consumption and other parameters of the units are adversely impacted. APGENCO has mentioned that the objective of transferring the coal linkage from MCL to SCCL is not fulfilled and has requested to transfer 4.8 MTPA (2 MTPA of Dr. NTTPS and 2.8 MTPA of Dr. M.V.R RTPP) of existing FSA quantities with SCCL to the subsidiaries of CIL.</p> <p>The matter of transfer of coal linkage of Dr. NTTPS of APGENCO has been earlier taken up in the meeting of the SLC (LT) held on 22.12.2021. The request of APGENCO was for transfer of coal linkage of Dr. NTTPS from MCL / CIL to SCCL. The reasons cited by APGENCO at that time was that Dr. NTTPS TPP is only 170 KMs away from the mines of SCCL and the coal from SCCL comes in 2-3 hours duration. Hence, the landed cost of coal from SCCL would be lesser by around ₹ 600 / Tonne in comparison to the coal from MCL. APGENCO had also stated that the potential benefits to APGENCO under the rationalization would be around ₹ 180 Crore per annum. APGENCO had also informed that due to Railway traffic congestion in Vishakhapatnam and Vijaywada, railway movement from MCL gets affected. Hence, the shifting of coal linkage would also result in faster movement of coal. In view of the</p>

	<p>recommendations of Ministry of Power, savings to the consumers and in pursuance to the Government objective of linkage rationalization for benefit of consumers and for reducing congestions in the Railway Traffic, SLC (LT) had recommended for transfer of 3 MT linkage of Dr. NTPPS from MCL to SCCL</p> <p><b>SLC (LT) to take a view in the matter.</b></p>
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