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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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Dated: 26.10.2016

To

The Chief Engineer (Civil-New Projects),
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**Sub: 2x660 MW Coal Based Thermal Power Project near village Malwan,
District Etah, Uttar Pradesh by M/s Jawaharpur Vidyut Utpadan Nigam
Ltd (JVUNL) -regarding EC**

Sir,

This has reference to your online application dated 06.07.2016 and the additional documents submitted vide letter dated 19.09.2016 w.r.t the aforesaid project. The Ministry has examined the proposal.

2. It is inter-alia, noted that initially, ToR was issued and EIA study carried out in 2010. Public Hearing was held on 11.03.2011. The EAC recommended for EC in July, 2012, but MoEF did not issue EC and desired the proponent to submit concurrence of Ministry of Coal for diversion of coal from Chendipada coal block for the project so that further action can be taken by MoEF. Subsequently, the allocation of Chendipada coal block was cancelled vide order of Hon'ble Supreme Court/Gol. Later, Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block in Jharkhand was allotted on 13.08.2015. ToR was re-issued on 09.12.2015 by MoEF&CC. EIA report was updated as per fresh baseline data and fresh Public Hearing was held on 11.05.2016.

3. The land requirement is 865 acres (350.07 ha) out of which 336.32 ha has been acquired and the balance land is notified for acquisition. There is no forest land involved in the project site and no Ecologically Sensitive Areas/Zones exist within 10 km radius of the project site. There are no homesteads affected and thus, no R&R issues involved due to this project. The project cost is Rs. 8,078.56 crores (excluding the cost of FGD & SCR as Rs. 650 and 450 crores, respectively).

4. The coal requirement is 5.38 MTPA from Saharpur-Jamarpani coal block (allotted vide order dated 13.08.2015) in Dumka district of Jharkhand state. Till it is developed, coal has been assured under "Bridge linkage" accorded by Ministry of Coal on 02.06.2016. The transportation of coal shall be through rail route only.

5. Water requirement is about 3,478 m³/h, based on 2.5 m³/MWh, as per the latest notification of MoEF&CC. The optimized water requirement for the project shall be about 38 cusecs and U.P. Irrigation Dept. has allocated 53 cusecs vide letter dated 12.02.2016. It will be drawn from the Malawan-Rajwaha distributary of Lower Ganga Canal (LGC) at a distance of 4 km from the project site. To meet the water requirement during lean period, a reservoir of 20 days storage capacity is proposed. Blow down from the Cooling Tower will be treated considering 6 CoC and will be utilized in ash disposal facility. Further, balance treated wastewater will be used for development of greenbelt as well as irrigation purpose within the plant premises. No

wastewater will be discharged outside the plant by implementing zero discharge system in the plant.

6. Based on the information, clarifications, documents submitted and presentations made by you and your consultant, viz. M/s Desein Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi before the *Expert Appraisal Committee (Thermal Power)* in its 63rd Meeting held during 29th & 30th August, 2016, the Ministry hereby accords environmental clearance to the above project under the provisions of EIA Notification dated September 14, 2006 and subsequent amendments therein subject to compliance of the following Specific and General conditions:

A. Specific Conditions:

- (i) *The PP shall take up the matter regarding compensation to the remaining landowners with the District Administration and ensure that the same is paid at the earliest. Compliance in this effect shall be submitted to the Ministry.*
- (ii) *The PP shall carry out detailed/feasibility study to treat and utilize sewage water from the Etah town & its nearby areas for the proposed TPP.*
- (iii) *The PP shall optimize the use of consumptive water by utilizing appropriate technology, as per CEA/MoEF&CC norms, approximately 38 cusecs and surrender remaining 15 cusecs to U.P. Irrigation department.*
- (iv) *Provision shall be made for storage of rain water and storm water for use in the plant to reduce further drawl from Irrigation Department.*
- (v) *As committed, FGD and SCR shall be installed in the proposed Thermal Power Plant.*
- (vi) *Washed coal of <32% ash, 0.4% S shall be used. Coal transport will be through railways.*
- (vii) *Ponds for collection of rainwater in the surrounding area shall be developed for rainwater conservation / harvesting for ground water recharge and usage by villagers.*
- (viii) *The pond ash shall also be utilized for PMGSY Road, National Highways, State Highways, construction projects, besides other feasible utility.*
- (ix) *The PP shall explore feasibility of Air Cooled Condensers based on the guidelines of CEA*
- (x) *As committed, during construction phase of the TPP, CSR works worth Rs. 25.00 Crores shall be spent exclusively in five (05) Gram panchayats whose land has been acquired for the power plant. Balance Rs. 8.00 crores shall be spent in selected remaining villages within 10 km radius in consultation with District Authorities. The CSR budget during operational phase shall be earmarked as per the CSR policy of GoI.*
- (xi) *Vision document specifying prospective plan for the site shall be formulated and submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry within **six months**.*
- (xii) *Harnessing solar power within the premises of the plant particularly at available roof tops shall be carried out and status of implementation including actual generation of solar power shall be submitted along with half yearly monitoring report.*
- (xiii) *A long term study of radio activity and heavy metals contents on coal to be used shall be carried out through a reputed institute and results thereof analyzed every two year and reported along with monitoring reports. Thereafter mechanism for an in-built continuous monitoring for radio activity and heavy metals in coal and fly ash (including bottom ash) shall be put in place.*
- (xiv) *Online continuous monitoring system for stack emission, ambient air and effluent shall be installed.*
- (xv) *High Efficiency Electrostatic Precipitators (ESPs) shall be installed to ensure that particulate emission does not exceed 30 mg/Nm³ or as would be notified*



by the Ministry, whichever is lesser. Adequate dust extraction system such as cyclones/bag filters and water spray system in dusty areas such as in coal handling and ash handling points, transfer areas and other vulnerable dusty areas shall be provided along with an environment friendly sludge disposal system.

- (xvi) The SO₂, NO_x and Hg emissions shall not exceed 100 mg/Nm³, 100 mg/Nm³ and 0.03 mg/Nm³ respectively.
- (xvii) The specific water consumption shall not exceed 2.5 m³/MWh and zero waste water discharge shall be achieved.
- (xviii) Adequate dust extraction system such as cyclones/ bag filters and water spray system in dusty areas such as in coal handling and ash handling points, transfer areas and other vulnerable dusty areas shall be provided.
- (xix) COC of atleast 5.0 shall be adopted.
- (xx) Monitoring of surface water quantity and quality shall also be regularly conducted and records maintained. The monitored data shall be submitted to the Ministry regularly. Further, monitoring points shall be located between the plant and drainage in the direction of flow of ground water and records maintained. Monitoring for heavy metals in ground water shall also be undertaken and results/findings submitted along with half yearly monitoring report.
- (xxi) A well designed rain water harvesting system shall be put in place within six months, which shall comprise of rain water collection from the built up and open area in the plant premises and detailed record kept of the quantity of water harvested every year and its use.
- (xxii) No water bodies including natural drainage system in the area shall be disturbed due to activities associated with the setting up/operation of the power plant.
- (xxiii) Additional soil for leveling of the proposed site shall be generated within the sites (to the extent possible) so that natural drainage system of the area is protected and improved.
- (xxiv) Fly ash shall be collected in dry form and storage facility (silos) shall be provided. Mercury and other heavy metals (As, Hg, Cr, Pb etc.) shall be monitored in the bottom ash. No ash shall be disposed off in low lying area.
- (xxv) No mine void filling will be undertaken as an option for ash utilization without adequate lining of mine with suitable media such that no leachate shall take place at any point of time. In case, the option of mine void filling is to be adopted, prior detailed study of soil characteristics of the mine area shall be undertaken from an institute of repute and adequate clay lining shall be ascertained by the State Pollution Control Board and implementation done in close co-ordination with the State Pollution Control Board.
- (xxvi) Fugitive emission of fly ash (dry or wet) shall be controlled such that no agricultural or non-agricultural land is affected. Damage to any land shall be mitigated and suitable compensation provided in consultation with the local Panchayat.
- (xxvii) Green Belt consisting of three tiers of plantations of native species all around plant and at least 50 m width shall be raised. Wherever 50 m width is not feasible a 20 m width shall be raised and adequate justification shall be submitted to the Ministry. Tree density shall not be less than 2500 per ha with survival rate not less than 80 %.
- (xxviii) Green belt shall also be developed around the Ash Pond over and above the Green Belt around the plant boundary.
- (xxix) The project proponent shall formulate a well laid Corporate Environment Policy and identify and designate responsible officers at all levels of its hierarchy for ensuring adherence to the policy and compliance with the conditions stipulated in this clearance letter and other applicable environmental laws and regulations.

- (xxx) CSR schemes identified based on need based assessment shall be implemented in consultation with the village Panchayat and the District Administration starting from the development of project itself. As part of CSR prior identification of local employable youth and eventual employment in the project after imparting relevant training shall be also undertaken. Company shall provide separate budget for community development activities and income generating programmes.
- (xxxi) For proper and periodic monitoring of CSR activities, a CSR committee or a Social Audit committee or a suitable credible external agency shall be appointed. CSR activities shall also be evaluated by an independent external agency. This evaluation shall be both concurrent and final.

B) General Conditions:

- (i) The treated effluents conforming to the prescribed standards only shall be re-circulated and reused within the plant. Arrangements shall be made that effluents and storm water do not get mixed.
- (ii) A sewage treatment plant shall be provided (as applicable) and the treated sewage shall be used for raising greenbelt/plantation.
- (iii) Adequate safety measures shall be provided in the plant area to check/minimize spontaneous fires in coal yard, especially during summer season. Copy of these measures with full details along with location plant layout shall be submitted to the Ministry as well as to the Regional Office of the Ministry.
- (iv) Storage facilities for auxiliary liquid fuel such as LDO/ HFO/LSHS shall be made in the plant area in consultation with Department of Explosives, Nagpur. Sulphur content in the liquid fuel will not exceed 0.5%. Disaster Management Plan shall be prepared to meet any eventuality in case of an accident taking place due to storage of oil.
- (v) First Aid and sanitation arrangements shall be made for the drivers and other contract workers during construction phase.
- (vi) Noise levels emanating from turbines shall be so controlled such that the noise in the work zone shall be limited to 85 dB(A) from source. For people working in the high noise area, requisite personal protective equipment like earplugs/ear muffs etc. shall be provided. Workers engaged in noisy areas such as turbine area, air compressors etc shall be periodically examined to maintain audiometric record and for treatment for any hearing loss including shifting to non noisy/less noisy areas.
- (vii) Regular monitoring of ambient air ground level concentration of SO₂, NO_x, PM_{2.5} & PM₁₀ and Hg shall be carried out in the impact zone and records maintained. If at any stage these levels are found to exceed the prescribed limits, necessary control measures shall be provided immediately. The location of the monitoring stations and frequency of monitoring shall be decided in consultation with SPCB. Periodic reports shall be submitted to the Regional Office of this Ministry. The data shall also be put on the website of the company.
- (viii) Utilization of 100% Fly Ash generated shall be made from 4th year of operation. Status of implementation shall be reported to the Regional Office of the Ministry from time to time.
- (ix) Provision shall be made for the housing of construction labour (as applicable) within the site with all necessary infrastructure and facilities such as fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water, medical health care, crèche etc. The housing may be in the form of temporary structures to be removed after the completion of the project.

- (x) The project proponent shall advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the region around the project, one of which shall be in the vernacular language of the locality concerned within seven days from the date of this clearance letter, informing that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and copies of clearance letter are available with the State Pollution Control Board/Committee and may also be seen at the Website of MoEF&CC at <http://envfor.nic.in>.
- (xi) A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned Panchayat, Zila Parisad / Municipal Corporation, urban local Body and the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions/representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on the website of the Company by the proponent.
- (xii) The proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated environmental clearance conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the Regional Office of MOEF, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and the SPCB. The criteria pollutant levels namely; SPM, RSPM (PM_{2.5} & PM₁₀), SO₂, NO_x (ambient levels as well as stack emissions) shall be displayed at a convenient location near the main gate of the company in the public domain.
- (xiii) The environment statement for each financial year ending 31st March in Form-V as is mandated to be submitted by the project proponent to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently, shall also be put on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of environmental clearance conditions and shall also be sent to the respective Regional Offices of the Ministry by e-mail.
- (xiv) **The project proponent shall submit six monthly reports on the status of the implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards to MoEF&CC, its Regional Office, Central Pollution Control Board and State Pollution Control Board. The project proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the environmental clearance conditions on their website and update the same periodically and simultaneously send the same by e-mail to the Regional Office, MoEF&CC.**
- (xv) The progress of the project shall be submitted to CEA on six monthly basis.
- (xvi) Regional Office of the MoEF&CC will monitor the implementation of the stipulated conditions. A complete set of documents including Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environment Management Plan along with the additional information submitted from time to time shall be forwarded to the Regional Office for their use during monitoring. Project proponent will up-load the compliance status in their website and up-date the same from time to time at least six monthly basis. **Criteria pollutants levels including NO_x (from stack & ambient air) shall be displayed at the main gate of the power plant.**
- (xvii) Separate funds shall be allocated for implementation of environmental protection measures along with item-wise break-up. These cost shall be included as part of the project cost. The funds earmarked for the environment protection measures shall not be diverted for other purposes and year-wise expenditure should be reported to the Ministry.
- (xviii) The project authorities shall inform the Regional Office as well as the Ministry regarding the date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the dates of start of land development work and commissioning of plant.
- (xix) Full cooperation shall be extended to the Scientists/Officers from the Ministry / Regional Office of the Ministry / CPCB/ SPCB who would be monitoring the compliance of environmental status.

C) An as built or as completed report on EMP to be submitted stating the scope/extent of work envisaged in the EIA along with estimated cost vis-à-vis the actual completed works and cost incurred. A certificate/completion certificate accordingly, shall have to be submitted before commissioning of the TPP.

7. The Ministry reserves the right to revoke the clearance if conditions stipulated are not implemented to the satisfaction. The Ministry may also impose additional environmental conditions or modify the existing ones, if necessary.

8. The environmental clearance accorded **shall be valid for a period of 7 years** from the date of issue of this letter to start operations by the power plant.

9. Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

10. In case of any deviation or alteration in the project proposed including coal transportation system from those submitted to this Ministry for clearance, a fresh reference should be made to the Ministry to assess the adequacy of the condition(s) imposed and to add additional environmental protection measures required, if any.

11. The above stipulations would be enforced among others under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and rules there under, Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 and its amendments, the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and its amendments.

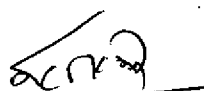
12. Any appeal against this environmental clearance shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

Yours faithfully,


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3. The Secretary, Department of Environment, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
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5. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (C), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Regional Office (Central Region), Kendriya Bhawan, 5th Floor, Sector - H, Aliganj, Lucknow-226020
6. The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi-110032.
7. The District Collector, Etah District, Govt. of U.P.
8. Guard file/Monitoring file.
9. Website of MoEF&CC


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