

No.J-11015/168/2009-IA-II (M)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
IA-II (Coal Mining) Division

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Dated: 19th April, 2017

To,

The Executive Director (Civil-Project)
M/s Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL)
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Sub: Transfer of Environmental Clearance of Gare Pelma Sector III Opencast-cum-UG Coal Mine Project of 5 MTPA (Normative)/6.5 MTPA (Peak) with Pit-head Coal Washery of 5 MTPA in District Raigarh (Chhattisgarh) from M/s Goa Industrial Development Corporation to M/s Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited - reg.

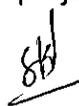
The Ministry of Environment & Forests, in accordance with the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments thereto had accorded Environmental Clearance (EC) for Gare Pelma Sector III Opencast-cum-Underground Coal Mine Project of 5 MTPA (Normative)/6.5 MTPA (Peak) in a total area of 714.35 ha with Pit-head Coal Washery of 5 MTPA located in District Raigarh (Chhattisgarh) to M/s Goa Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC) vide letter No.J-11015/168/2009-IA.II (M) dated 23rd May, 2013 & corrigendum dated 17th June, 2014 subject to compliance of terms and conditions stipulated therein.

WHEREAS the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide judgment dated 25th August, 2014 read with the order dated 24th September, 2014 has cancelled the allocation of 204 coal blocks and issued directions with regard to such coal blocks wherein the Central Government in pursuance of the said directions has to take immediate action to implement the said order.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the judgment and order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the nominated authority has, in accordance with provisions of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Second Ordinance, 2014 and the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014 conducted the auction of the mines.

WHEREAS Ministry of Coal (MOC) vide letter No. 103/23/2015/NA dated 27th January, 2017 has informed that, their Ministry has allotted a Coal Mine through allotment routes to M/s Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL). MOC has requested this Ministry to facilitate transfer of the Environment Clearance of this block from the prior allottee.

WHEREAS Ministry of Coal vide Allotment Order under clause (c) of sub-rule (2) of rule 7 and sub-rule (1) of rule 13 and Order No. 103/23/2015/NA dated 14th September, 2015 wherein, MOC has allotted the Gare Pelma Sector III Opencast-cum-Underground Coal Mine Project of 5 MTPA (Normative)/6.5 MTPA (Peak) in a total project area of 714.35 ha with Pit-head Coal



Washery of 5 MTPA located in District Raigarh (Chhattisgarh) to M/s Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL) as the successful allottee.

WHEREAS vide Gazette Notification S.O.811 (E) Notification dated 23.03.2015, MOEFCC has made amendments to paragraph 11 in the Gazette Notification S.O.1533 (E) dated 14th September, 2006. Vide the said amendment; where an allocation of coal block is cancelled in any legal proceeding; or by the Government in accordance with law, the environmental clearance granted in respect of such coal block may be transferred, subject to the same validity period as was initially granted, to any legal person to whom such block is subsequently allocated, and in such case, obtaining of "no objection" from either the holder of environment clearance or from the regulatory authority concerned shall not be necessary and no reference shall be made to the Expert Appraisal Committee or the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

WHEREAS in light of the MOC Allotment Order No.103/23/2015/NA dated 14th September, 2015, and MoEFCC Gazette Notification S.O.811 (E) Notification dated 23rd March, 2015, the EC granted vide letter No.J-11015/168/2009-IA.II (M) dated 23rd May, 2013 (read with corrigendum dated 17th June, 2014) to M/s Goa Industrial Development Corporation for Gare Pelma Sector III Opencast-cum-Underground Coal Mine Project of 5 MTPA (Normative)/6.5 MTPA (Peak) with Pit-head Coal Washery of 5 MTPA in a total project area of 714.35 ha located in District Raigarh (Chhattisgarh) is hereby transferred to M/s Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL) subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Any change in scope of work will attract the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and EIA Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments therein.
- (ii) All conditions stipulated in the EC No. J-11015/168/2009-IA.II (M) dated 23rd May, 2013, read with the corrigendum dated 17th June, 2014 shall remain unchanged.
- (iii) The allottee shall be liable for any act of violation of the EP Act, 1986/EIA Notification 2006/subsequent amendments and circulars which it has inherited during the revalidation/transfer.
- (iv) The allottee shall be liable for compliance of all court directions, if any.
- (v) The Nominated Authority in the Ministry of Coal, vide their letter dated 27th January, 2017 has clarified that the Vesting/Allotment Order dated 14th September, 2015 is in respect of the Gare Pelma Sector-III Coal Mine only, and the EC sought is also in respect of the said coal mine. Further, clearance in respect of washery, if required, would be sought by M/s CSPGCL separately in due course. Accordingly, in spite of the EC being transferred for coal block and washery both, the washery shall not be operated till the same is allowed by the Ministry of Coal or as required by relevant regulations.


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5. The Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi - 32
6. The Member-Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Water Resources, Curzon Road Barracks, A-2, W-3 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi
7. The District Collector, Raigarh, Government of Chhattisgarh
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