

No.J-11015/106/2008-IA-II (M) pt. file
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
IA-II (Coal Mining) Division

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Dated: 22nd June, 2017

To,

The Director
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Sub: Transfer of Environmental Clearance of Ardhgram Coal Mining Project (OC and UG) of 0.4 MTPA in 800 ha located in Raniganj Coalfields in Tehsil Mejia, Dist. Bankura, (West Bengal) from M/s Sova Ispat Limited to M/s OCL Iron and Steel Limited - reg.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), in accordance with the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments thereto had accorded Environmental Clearance (EC) for **Ardhgram Coal Mining Project (OC and UG) of 0.4 MTPA in 800 ha located in Raniganj Coalfields in Tehsil Mejia, Dist. Bankura, West Bengal to M/s Sova Ispat Limited** vide letter No.J-11015/106/2008-IA.II (M) dated **23rd March, 2010** 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. D.O. No.13016/38/2015-CA-III dated **7th September, 2016** has informed that, their Ministry has allotted a Coal Mine through allotment routes to **M/s OCL Iron and Steel Limited**. MOC has requested this Ministry to facilitate transfer of the Environment Clearance of this block from the prior allottee.

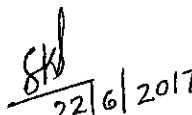
WHEREAS Ministry of Coal vide Vesting Order under clause (c) of sub-rule (2) of rule 7 and sub-rule (1) of rule 13 and Order No. **104/10/2015/NA dated 14th July, 2016** wherein, MOC has allotted the **Ardhgram Coal Mining Project (OC and UG) of 0.4 MTPA in 800 ha located in Raniganj Coalfields in Tehsil Mejia, Dist. Bankura, West Bengal to M/s OCL Iron and Steel Limited** 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 view of the MOC Allotment Order No. 104/10/2015/NA dated 14th July, 2016, and MoEFCC Gazette Notification S.O.811 (E) Notification dated 23rd March, 2015, the EC granted vide letter No. J-11015/106/2008-IA.II (M) dated 23rd March, 2010 to M/s Sova Ispat Limited for Ardhgram Coal Mining Project (OC and UG) of 0.4 MTPA in 800 ha located in Raniganj Coalfields in Tehsil Mejia, District Bankura (West Bengal) is hereby transferred to M/s OCL Iron and Steel Limited subject to the following conditions:

- (i) Any change in scope of work will attract the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments therein.
- (ii) All conditions stipulated in the EC No.J-11015/106/2008-IA.II (M) dated **23rd March, 2010** 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 mine lease shall be executed for the area including such forest land only for which stage-I FC is available. The Stage-I forest clearance as per records is available for 57 ha of forest land only out of the total 59 ha of forest land mentioned in the EC.


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4. Member Secretary, West Bengal State Pollution Control Board, Paribesh Bhawan, 10A, Block LA, Sector-III, Salt Lake City, Kolkatta – 700098.
5. Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi -110032.
6. Member-Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Water Resources, Curzon Road Barracks, A-2, W-3 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi.
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