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CIL/M&S/Linkage Rationalization/IPP/EoI/ 379

Date: 17-08-2023

Notice

Subject: Inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) from Independent Power producers (IPPs) for Linkage Rationalization

Ref: MoC letter no 23011/79/2014-CPD/CLD dated 15.05.2018

MoC vide letter no. 23011/79/2014-CPD(Vol.III)-Part (2) dated 26.4.2023 has inter-alia directed to conduct further round of rationalization in line with the methodology circulated vide letter no 23011/79/2014-CPD/CLD dated 15.05.2018 on rationalization of linkages for power producers.

As per the aforesaid methodology dated 15.05.2018, cost savings on account of linkage rationalization is to be calculated by CEA as per below mentioned calculation modality:

	Original Linkage	Rationalized Linkage
Base price of coal (Rs/tonne)	P_0	P_r
Gross Calorific Value (Kcal/Kg)	GCV_0	GCV_r
Linkage Quantity (tonnes)	Q_0	$Q_r = (GCV_0 * Q_0) / GCV_r$
Distance from transportation (in KM)	D_0	D_r
Total Transportation cost (Rs)	$T_0 = f(D_0, Q_0)$	$T_r = f(D_r, Q_r)$
Cost Savings (Rs)	$(T_0 - T_r) + (Q_0 * P_0 - Q_r * P_r)$	

It is also mentioned in the methodology dated 15.05.2018 that calculation sheet for transportation of cost savings due to linkage rationalization of IPP may be taken as base formula for calculating the cost savings due to change in transportation distance and change in GCV of linkage coal and this formula is to be made available in the public domain. The IPPs which are ready to pass on this per unit cost savings to the discoms/ buyers shall be eligible to apply for linkage rationalization requests with the coal companies.

In such backdrop, on 14.6.2023, CIL has uploaded Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) (**Annex-1**) in its website for carrying out the Linkage Rationalization. Further, in compliance of the modalities mentioned in SoP, Expression of Interest (EOI) as per the attached format (**Annex-2**) are hereby invited from desirous IPPs proposing to rationalize their existing sources.

Thirty (30) days' timeline from the date of issuance of this letter is given to IPPs for submission of EOI along with EMD & non-refundable Process fee in the form of cash. EMD & Process fees submitted are inclusive of GST and in case of refund of EMD, applicable GST shall be deducted. Bank details for submission of non-refundable Process fee and EMD are as under:

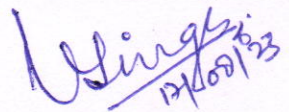
Name- COAL INDIA LIMITED
Bank- State Bank of India
Account Number- 10373629359
IFSC CODE- SBIN0009998

Based on the information provided regarding availability of coal & information to be received from IPPs through the EOI & cost saving analysis as per CEA, feasibility of rationalization of linkages shall be examined and the proposed rationalized matrix would be uploaded in CIL website for fifteen (15) days to seek comments, if any, from concerned IPP(s) for finalization of the rationalized matrix with due approval of the Competent Authority.

All concerned are advised to also refer to the SoP and a separate notice **(Annex-3)**, before making the application.

Encl.: As above

Yours sincerely,



CM (M&S-FSA/Linkage)

Copy for kind information to:

1. Chairman, CIL, Kolkata
2. Joint Secretary (LA), Ministry of Coal, New Delhi
3. Director (Marketing), CIL
4. Executive Director (Marketing & Logistic), CIL
5. General Manager (M&S/Oprn), CIL
6. General Manager, (System) –with request for uploading in CIL website.
7. General Manager/ HOD (M&S), CIL New Delhi



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Ref: CIL/M&S/Linkage Rationalization/273

Date-14.06.2023

NOTICE

Subject: Standard Operating Procedure For Linkage Rationalization

CIL has so far conducted two rounds of rationalization as per methodology for rationalization of linkages for Independent Power Producers (IPP) circulated by MoC dated 15.05.2018

Recently, vide letter dated 16.01.2023 & 26.04.23, MoC directed CIL to commence further rounds of rationalization of linkages, inter alia, advising that detailed modalities/ procedures for implementing the methodology are to be worked out by coal companies.

In terms of the same, an SOP to be followed during next rounds of linkage rationalization, has been framed at CIL level & upon due approval of the Competent Authority, the SOP is attached herewith for information of & requisite compliance by all interested Power Sector consumers.

Encl.: a/a

[Signature]
14/06/23
CM (M&S-FSA/Linkage)

Copy for kind information to:

1. Director (Marketing), CIL
2. GM (M&S-Comml.), CIL
3. GM (M&S), ECL/BCCL/CCL/NCL/WCL/SECL/MCL/NEC

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR LINKAGE RATIONALIZATION

In terms of MoC's directives dated 15.05.2018 and 26.04.2023, the following procedure shall be adopted for processing further rounds of rationalization of linkages for State/Central GENCOs and IPPs -

- Rationalization carried put under the previous round(s) but pending as on the date of notification of EOI for execution of FSA/non submission of amended PPA, as the case may be, will be deemed as cancelled.
- Before initiating a particular round of rationalization exercise, availability of **Surplus Coal** during the fiscal and expected availability during next five (5) years according to production plan and existing/future commitments based on ACQ & other relevant factors will be assessed by CIL.
- The minimum quantity of Surplus Coal during current fiscal and any of the next five years will be communicated to subsidiary(s) for confirmation within fifteen (15) days of communication. In case, no response is received from subsidiaries within such time, the surplus coal availability indicated by CIL will be treated as final for going ahead with rationalization exercise.
- Before undertaking the rationalization exercise for a particular round, viability/constraints at each coal company will also be considered and the Surplus Coal availability shall be accordingly adjusted.
- The application for linkage rationalization shall be sought from State/Central GENCOs and IPPs simultaneously. However, the process shall start with rationalization exercise for State/Central GENCOs in terms of linkage rationalization methodology issued by MOC dated 15.05.2018. After uploading of approved final rationalized matrix in respect of State/Central GENCOs on the website of CIL, linkage rationalization exercise in respect of IPPs shall be taken up. The linkage rationalization exercise in respect of State/Central GENCOs and IPPs shall be completed within 3 months individually.
- For encouraging participation of only serious consumers, an EMD @ Rs. 100/ tonne in the form of BG/Cash & a non-refundable processing fee @ Rs. 10/ tonne (in cash only) shall be required to be submitted to CIL by the consumer(s). The EMD and the Process Fee will be managed by CIL.
- Once rationalization exercise for State/ Central GENCOs is complete, the left over surplus coal, if any, shall be considered for rationalization exercise in case of IPPs.
- The rationalization will take place only after concurrence from Railways to ensure transportation logistics.
- After completion of rationalization exercise for State/ Central GENCOs and IPPs individually, each outcome will be circulated to all concerned for implementation and also hosted in the website of CIL.
- Based on successful signing of FSA(s) at the new source, corresponding adjustments in the commitment/ availability at the respective source(s) will be worked out.
- Rationalization exercise shall be conducted once in every two (2) years.

Earnest Money Deposit and Process Fees

- Non-refundable Process fees is towards enabling a serious unit to participate in the rationalization exercise (irrespective of outcome).
- EMD is towards timely completion of requisite formalities/ signing of FSA at the rationalized source by the consumer.
- EMD and Process Fees are to be deposited for quantity applied for rationalization at the time of submission of EOI.

Publication of EOIs by CIL and submission of EOIs by State/Central GENCOs and IPPs

- a. The EOIs in the standardized formats attached as **Annex-I** and **Annex-II** for State/Central GENCOs and IPPs respectively, shall be published in the CIL website simultaneously.
- b. Thirty (30) days' timeline from the date of publication of EOIs shall be provided to both State/Central GENCOs and IPPs for EOI submission along with EMD & non-refundable processing fee. As a part of EOI submissions, benefits envisaged (in Rs.) are required to be submitted by State/Central GENCOs and IPPs.

Note: In terms of linkage rationalization methodology of MOC dated 15.05.2018, the linkage rationalization of State/Central GENCOs shall be taken up first.

Linkage Rationalization of State/Central GENCO(s)

- a. **Preparation of proposed draft Rationalized Matrix based on correctly received EOIs-**

The draft Rationalized Matrix based on valid EOIs submitted by State/Central GENCO(s) shall be prepared. Draft Rationalized matrix shall be examined by action group comprising of officials from CIL, CEA and Railways within 30 days from the date of preparation of draft rationalized matrix. Based on the recommendation of Action Group, the proposed Rationalized Matrix shall be prepared.

- b. **Publication of proposed Rationalized Matrix in CIL website-**

The proposed Rationalized Matrix would be placed in CIL Website for 15 days for seeking comments of the concerned GENCO(s). Based on the comments received, matrix would be updated and finalized with competent approval. For requests, not implementable, owing to production, operational or logistical constraints, the GENCO(s) shall be accordingly informed. In such cases, EMD will be refunded to the consumer.

- c. **Publication of approved Rationalized Matrix-**

The approved final Rationalized matrix would be placed in CIL website. The amendments in the FSA on account of rationalization shall have to be completed by GENCO(s) within 3 months from the date of the publication of final rationalized matrix. Within 30 days of the signing of FSA at new source, the EMD shall be refunded in terms of illustration given above.

If any GENCO fails to sign the FSA at the new source within 3 months, the quantity for which rationalization was done, shall be deemed as lapsed and corresponding forfeiture of EMD shall be made in such cases.

Post uploading of approved final rationalized matrix in respect of State/Central GENCOs on the website of CIL, process of linkage rationalization in respect of IPPs shall be taken up.

Linkage Rationalization of Independent Power Producers

- a. The EOIs submitted by IPPs shall be sent to CEA for calculation of Savings on account of linkage transfers. Based on the calculation of savings indicated by CEA, Draft Rationalized Matrix shall be prepared at CIL level.
- b. Within 30 days from the date of preparation of draft rationalized matrix, the same shall be examined by action group comprising of officials from CIL, CEA and Railways keeping in view of the savings indicated by CEA. Based on the recommendation of Action Group, the proposed Rationalized Matrix shall be prepared.
- c. The proposed Rationalized Matrix would be placed in CIL Website for 15 days for seeking comments of the concerned IPP(s). Based on the comments received, matrix would be updated and finalized with competent approval. For requests, not implementable, owing to production, operational or logistical constraints, the IPPs shall be accordingly informed. In such cases, EMD will be refunded to the consumer.
- d. The approved final rationalized matrix in respect of IPPs shall be placed in CIL Website. The amendments in the FSA due to linkage transfer, including submission of Supplementary/amended PPA duly approved by the Appropriate Regulatory Commission will be required to be completed by IPPs within seven (7) months of circulation of final approved rationalized matrix.
- e. Within 30 days of the signing of FSA at new source, the EMD shall be refunded in terms of illustration given above.
- f. If any IPP fails to sign the FSA at the new source within 7 months, the quantity for which rationalization was done, shall be deemed as lapsed and corresponding forfeiture of EMD shall be made.



COAL INDIA LIMITED
MARKETING & SALES DIVISION
RATIONALIZATION OF COAL LINKAGES
NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS

TABLE - A (ORIGINAL LINKAGE INFORMATION)

Name of IPP	Existing Linkage	Quantity after Desired Rationalization	Net Station Heat Rate (kCal/kWh) as approved by appropriate commission.
Name of the Plant	Coal Company ACQ (Tonnes)	Coal Company ACQ (Tonnes)	
Location & Address of the Plant	EC1	DC1	
Unit wise capacity (MW)	EC2	DC2	
	EC3	DC3	
	EC4	DC4	

TABLE - B

Coal Dispatched to the IPP, Payments made for Coal and transportation during 2022-23

Coal Source/Subsidiary Company	Coal Dispatched/loaded from (Name of Siding)	Grade of Coal	GCV (Mid point) (kCal/kg)	Quantity of Coal Dispatched (Tonnes)	Total Kcal [D*E]	Weighted Average GCV (SUM (F) /SUM (E))	Cost of Coal paid including taxes (Rs./ton)	Wighted Avg Price of Coal (Rs./ton) (SUM (E*H)/SUM (E))	Distance from Plant (IPP) to Coal Siding (Kms)	Corrospounding Freight as per FOIS (Rs./ton)	W.Avg Transportation Cost (Rs/ton) (SUM (E*K)/SUM (E))
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
Source-1	S-1					GCV _o		P _o			To
	S-2										
	...										
	..										
	S-n										

EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (EMD) & PROCESS FEE

DESCRIPTION	Quantity submitted for rationalization (In Te) (A)	Rate (In Rs/Te) (B)	Total Amount (In Rs.) (C) = (A)x(B)
EMD		100/-	
PROCESS FEE		10/-	

* EMD and Processing fees submitted to be all inclusive of GST/Levies in the form of cash. In case of refund, the applicable GST shall be deducted.

Note : Data to be filled as per the above tables separately for each of the plant for which rationalization is desired

Disclaimer by IPP:

The above-mentioned information is in reference to the Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) dated 14.6.2023 framed in terms of MoC directions issued vide letter no.23011/79/2014-CPD/CLD (Vol-III) -Part (2) dated 16.1.2023, letter dated 26.04.2023 and methodology dated 15.05.2018.

No. 23011/79/2014-CPD/CLD

Government of India

Ministry of Coal

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New Delhi, the 15th May, 2018.

To

1. Chairman/Mng.-Director,
Coal India Limited,
Coal Bhawan, New Town,
Rajarhat,
Kolkata – 700 156.
2. Chairman/Mng.-Director
Singareni Collieries Company Limited,
Singareni Bhavan, Red Hills, PB. No.18,
Khairatabad PO, Hyderabad,
Telangana – 500 004

Subject : Methodology for Linkage Rationalization for Independent Power Producers (IPPs).

Sir,

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I am directed to refer to this Ministry's O.M. of even no. dated 18.07.2017 constituting new Inter-Ministerial Task Force (IMTF) to rationalize the linkages of the Independent Power Producers (IPPs). The IMTF has suggested to prepare a draft Base Paper on Methodology for Linkage Rationalizations for IPPs.

2. The Competent Authority has approved Methodology for Linkage Rationalization for IPPs a copy of which is enclosed. CIL/SCCL is requested to take immediate necessary action to implement the methodology accordingly.

Encls. As above.

Sujeet Kumar
(Sujeet Kumar) 15/5/18

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Copy to :

- i) Shri Aniruddha Kumar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- ii) Shri H.S. Bajwa, Executive Director (Coal) Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- iii) Shri P. Bali, C.O. (Ports), Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi.
- iv) Shri Vivek Goyal, Chief Engineer, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
- v) Shri Alok Saxena, Consultant (MPAS), Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.

Copy also to :

- i) PSO to Secretary (Coal)
- ii) Sr. PPS to Additional Secretary (Coal)
- iii) PPS to JS (RKS)
- iv) PS to Dir (CLD)

Sujeet Kumar
15/5/18

Original Linkage	Assumed Linkage
Price paid by coal (Rs/tonne)	Price paid by coal (Rs/tonne)
Coal Quantity (tonnes)	Coal Quantity (tonnes)
Distance for transportation (km)	Distance for transportation (km)
Cost of transportation (Rs)	Cost of transportation (Rs)
Total transportation cost (Rs)	Total transportation cost (Rs)
Coal savings (Rs)	Coal savings (Rs)

**Methodology for Linkage Rationalization
for Independent Power Producer (IPPs)**

1. Coal linkage rationalization shall be an exercise in which the coal linkage of a Thermal Power Plant (TPP) of an Independent Power Producer (IPP) may be transferred from one Coal Company to another based on the coal availability and future coal production plan of the coal company. The underlying objective behind the exercise shall be to reduce the landed cost of coal due to reduction in transportation cost and cost of coal. The reduced landed price of coal shall lead to savings, to be reflected in cost of power generated, and these savings shall be passed on to the buyers of power through a transparent and objective mechanism.
This exercise shall be voluntary on the part of the TPPs. The exercise aims to reduce the distance by which the coal is transported, thus, easing up the Railway infrastructure for gainful utilization for other sectors..
2. The coal companies shall ensure that all the implementable requests of linkage rationalization for State/Central Gencos are implemented in an objective and transparent manner before this linkage rationalization exercise for IPPs is undertaken.
3. The one time process of calling for requests from the IPP for linkage rationalization shall be undertaken jointly by CIL, SCCL and CEA in a transparent manner.
4. This linkage rationalization shall be considered only for IPPs having linkages through allotment route. The IPPs having linkages obtained through auction process shall not be eligible for rationalization under this scheme. Swapping of linkages with coal sourced through auction or imports shall not be permissible under this exercise.
5. The IPPs participating in the linkage rationalization shall state the Minimum Order Quantity (MOQ) for which the linkage rationalization shall be considered and their preferred mode of transportation after the linkage rationalization.
6. The cost savings on account of linkage rationalization shall be calculated as per the below mentioned calculation sheet provided by CEA.

	Original Linkage	Rationalized Linkage
Base price of coal (Rs/tonne)	Po	Pr
Gross Calorific Value (Kcal/kg)	GCVo	GCVr
Linkage quantity (tonnes)	Qo	Qr = (GCVo*Qo)/GCVr
Distance for transportation (in KM)	Do	Dr
Total Transportation cost (Rs)	To = f (Do, Qo)	Tr = f (Dr, Qr)
Cost savings (Rs)	(To-Tr) + (Qo*Po-Qr*Pr)	

7. The calculation sheet for transportation cost savings due to linkage rationalisation of IPP, as mentioned at 6 above, may be taken as base formula for

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calculating the cost savings due to change in transportation distance and change in GCV of linkage coal. This formula shall be made available in public domain and the IPPs which are ready to pass on this per unit cost savings to the discoms/buyers may apply for linkage rationalisation request with the coal companies. The coal companies shall consider the requests of the concerned IPPs subject to availability of coal from the company. The IPPs approaching the coal companies shall give an undertaking that the cost savings as calculated based on the formula shall be passed on to the discoms/buyers through a supplementary agreement which shall be approved by the appropriate Electricity Regulatory Commission. The price adjustment shall be done on an annual basis. The grade of coal supplied by the coal company under the existing linkage shall be taken as the midpoint of the GCV linkage which has been quantified by CCO in the existing linkage. The distance from which the coal was dispatched under the existing linkage shall be the weighted average distance of the coal supplies made to the IPP during the preceding financial year.

8. The Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) of the rationalized source from any coal company would be signed/implemented only after the appropriate Electricity Regulatory Commission approves the supplementary agreement.

9. In cases where there are rationalization requests of more than one IPP from the same source and the coal availability at that source cannot meet the entire request for linkage rationalization, the IPP for which the cost savings are the highest shall be given preference. In case, the cost savings for two or more IPPs are same, then the coal quantity shall be distributed amongst the different IPPs in proportion to their linked capacity.

10. The Cost Plus Mines are for dedicated consumers and the pricing is accepted by the consumers. The pricing depends on a number of factors and subject to review. The pricing policy for Cost Plus Mines is different from that of other coal mines. Any IPP drawing coal from WCL under Cost Plus Agreements from cost plus mines shall be excluded from the purview of rationalization under this scheme.

11. The Thermal Power Plants having linkages through road shall not be allowed to participate in the rationalization because these power plants are already at a closer distance. After linkage rationalization, it may so happen that power plants which were earlier moving coal through rail may move coal through road. In such a situation the coal transportation charges by rail from the new source shall be considered for the purpose of calculation of savings.

12. Any dispute as and when it arises would be resolved as per the provision of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act.

13. With regard to rationalization to be applied only when there is actual production of coal (not on the basis anticipated production) and that swapping of linkages between two sources cannot be claimed as mandatory. It is stated that rationalization will be carried out only on the basis of availability of coal during the fiscal and future expected availability as per Coal Company's production plan.

Sd/-
Secretary

No. 23011/79/2014-CPD(Vol.III)-Part(2)

Government of India

Ministry of Coal

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

16th January, 2023

To

Chairman cum Managing Director,
Coal India Limited, Coal Bhawan,
New Town, Rajarhat, Kolkata - 700156

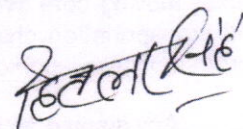
Subject: Linkage Rationalization for Independent Power Producers

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the methodology for Linkage Rationalization for Independent Power Producers (IPPs) issued by Ministry of Coal vide letter no. 23011/79/2014-CPD/CLD dated 15.05.2018. In terms of the methodology, Coal India Limited has conducted two rounds of linkage rationalization. The second round of linkage rationalization was conducted by Coal India Limited pursuant to the directions of Ministry of Coal vide letter of even no. dated 12.03.2020 to commence the next round of linkage rationalization in terms of the methodology dated 15.05.2018 (copy enclosed). Keeping in view the benefits of linkage rationalization, Coal India Limited is requested to commence further rounds of linkage rationalization in terms of the methodology dated 15.05.2018.

Encl : as above.

Yours faithfully,



(Hitlar Singh)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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No.23011/79/2014-CPD (Vol.III)-Part (2)

Government of India

(भारत सरकार)

Ministry of Coal

(कोयला मंत्रालय)

Shastri Bhawan,

New Delhi, the 26th April, 2023

To

The Director (Marketing),
Coal India Limited,
Coal Bhawan, New Town, Rajarhat,
Kolkata

Subject: Linkage rationalization for Independent Power Producers

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Coal India Limited letter no. CIL/M&S/Power/64 dated 06.02.2023 on the subject mentioned above and to say the following:

- i. Methodology dated 15.05.2018 for linkage rationalization are broad guidelines issued by Ministry of Coal based on the recommendations of IMTF. Detailed modalities / procedures for implementing the methodology are worked out by the coal companies. Therefore, keeping in view the past experience that most of the earlier rationalization requests of IPPs could not be implemented due the IPPs not furnishing the amended PPAs or not coming forward for signing of the modified FSAs for implementation, Coal India Limited may take a decision at their end, as deemed appropriate, regarding calling for EMDs from the bidders during the EOIs considering its commercial interests.
- ii. Vide letter of even no. dated 16.01.2023, Coal India Limited was requested to commence further rounds of linkage rationalization in terms of the methodology dated 15.05.2018. Therefore, Coal India Limited may conduct the rationalization exercise on a regular basis, for which the frequency may be decided by Coal India Limited, on the basis of availability of coal (present & future).
- iii. Further, communication regarding linkage rationalization inter se Coal India Limited & SCCL shall be issued shortly.

Yours faithfully,

Sujeet Kumar
(Sujeet Kumar) 26/4/2023

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Copy to:

Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Singareni Bhawan, Red Hills, PB No. 18, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, Telangana – with the request to commence further rounds of linkage rationalization in terms of the methodology dated 15.05.2018 for linkage rationalization for IPPs.



Annex - 3
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CIL/M&S/Linkage Rationalization/377

Date: 17-08-2023

Notice

Sub.: Coal availability & parameters for consideration of 3rd round of Rationalization

Towards 3rd round of Rationalization exercise for which Expression of Interest (EOI) have been invited from Power Sector consumers, consumers are advised to take note of the following before submitting their Expression of Interest (EOI) -

1. Subsidiary wise coal availability (as per SoP)

Sr. no	Subsidiary	Coal availability (in MT)
1	ECL	18.6 MT
2	BCCL	10.4 MT
3	CCL	(-) 16.0 MT
4	NCL	(-) 06.7 MT
5	WCL	(-) 15.1 MT
6	SECL	18.9 MT
7	MCL	02.9 MT

Note: Figs in (-) minus represent negative coal availability i.e. where commitments are more than the future expected coal availability as per production plan.

Factors considered while assessing coal availability-

- 100% commitments a/c Pre-NCDP, Post NCDP, SHAKTI B(i), B(ii), B(iii), B(iv), B(viii a), NRS Linkages, Pre-NRS Linkages, SNA etc. considered.
- Bridge linkages not considered since supplies are on best effort basis.
- E-auction commitments haven't been considered.
- Premium Linkage not considered as such plants, having allocated coal blocks, are availing coal supplies temporarily.
- SHAKTI B (viii) (a) commitment considered with 10% YoY increase from FY 22-23.
- NRS Linkage commitment considered at 25% of incremental production as per NRS policy 2016.

2. Guidelines/ further clarifications for the rationalization exercise

- Request for transfer of linkage **to ECL** shall not considered despite positive coal balances, in consideration of ECL's request and for its viability.
- Request for transfer of linkage **from BCCL** shall not considered for viability of the said subsidiary.
- Any consumer applying for transfer to a subsidiary where coal balance is negative, may do so solely at their own discretion, cost and risk.
- In case of swapping between two subsidiaries, both having negative balance, minimum of swap may be considered.
- Linkage rationalization shall not considered for IPPs having linkages through auction / import.
- Consumers drawing coal from WCL under Cost Plus agreements from cost plus mines are excluded from the purview of rationalization in terms of para 10 of the Rationalization methodology dated 15.05.2018. Cost plus mines are meant for dedicated consumers for which pricing was duly accepted by consumer.

- g. Linkage Rationalization shall be carried out as per MoC Methodology dated 15.05.2018 and SOP for Linkage Rationalization dated 14.06.2023, this notice as also other relevant directives that may be issued by MoC/ GOI in future.
- h. CIL reserves right to modify, amend, postpone or annul this exercise at any stage without assigning any reason which shall be treated final & binding and as part and parcel of this offer.

Yours sincerely,


CM (FSA/Linkage)

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6. General Manager, (System) –with request for uploading in CIL website.
7. General Manager/ HOD (M&S), CIL New Delhi