

No.13016/51/2007-CA-I
Government of India
Ministry of Coal

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New Delhi, the 24th November, 2009

To

M/s Binani Cement Limited,
Mercantile Chambers, 1st Floor,
12, J.N. Heredia Marg,
Ballard Estate, Mumbai- 400 001.

Subject: Review Meeting held on 22nd and 23rd June, 2009 to review the progress of coal/lignite blocks- Advisory for delay in implementation of the coal block.

Sir,

1. I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No.38011/3/2006-CA-I dated 7th February, 2007 conveying the allocation of Nimbri Chandavadan lignite block in the state of Rajasthan for 54 MW lignite based power plant in District Sirohi, Rajasthan in pursuance of Section 3(3)(a)(iii) of the Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1973 which will meet the lignite requirement of about 0.46 million tones per annum..

2. In order to expedite the development of the lignite block, review meetings were held from time to time with the representatives of M/s Binani Cement Limited. In the review meeting held on 22/23.06.2009, it was noticed that the company has acquired only 40 Ha of Govt. land out of 350 Ha. The company representatives informed that EIA/EMP study has been done and public hearing has been held.

3. The company has neither obtained/completed the forest clearance, EMP clearance, mining lease and land acquisition which are required as per normative milestones chart, nor fulfilled the assurance given in the last review meeting. It is informed that Para 2 of the allocation letter clearly stipulates that allocation/mining lease of the lignite block may be cancelled, inter-alia, on the following grounds:-

- a. Unsatisfactory progress of implementation of their end-use power plant.
- b. Unsatisfactory progress in the development of lignite mining project.
- c. For breach of any of the conditions of allocation mentioned at (i) to (xi) of the allocation letter dated 07.02.2007.

4. In view of above facts, you are advised to remove the aforesaid shortcomings and take steps to develop the lignite block without any further delay, failing which the Ministry would be constrained to take action as deemed appropriate in the matter.

Yours faithfully


(V.S. Rana)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to : The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Rajasthan, Secretariat, for information and necessary action at
his end.

ATC, M/o Coal.


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