

No. 13016/7/2009-CA-I
Government of India
Ministry of Coal

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New Delhi, the 18th February, 2010

To,

M/s Tamil Nadu Industries Captive Power Company Limited (TICAPCO)
15, Soundarapandian Salai,
1st Floor, Ashok Nagar,
Chennai 400 083

Subject : Review meeting held on 22nd and 23rd June, 2009 to review the progress of coal/lignite blocks - issue of show cause notice.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 48024/4/94-Lig. dated 24.01.2001 conveying the approval of this Ministry to the Mining Plan of South of Vellar lignite block allocated to M/s Tamil Nadu Industries Captive Power Company Limited (TICPACO).

2. In order to expedite the development of the allocated blocks, a review meeting was convened on 22/23.06.2009 with M/s Tamil Nadu Industries Captive Power Company Limited (TICPACO). However, no representative from the company attended the meeting. The company does not seem to be interested in developing the block, which is evident from the fact that ever since the approval of the mining plan, the company has not apprised this Ministry of the development made in the matter. Further, the company should have completed/ obtained, as per the milestone, payment of full cost of geological report, forest clearance, EMP clearance as well as approval of Mining Lease. As the company has not even applied for ML, FC till date, the progress is not satisfactory and the company seems to be a non-serious player.

3. In spite of a passage of more than eight years, no serious effort has been made by the company to develop the block as per the milestone chart. Consequently, the development of the block has been inordinately delayed.

4. Under the above circumstances, you are hereby called upon to show cause to this Ministry within a period of 15 days from the date of issue of this letter as to why non-compliance of above mentioned conditions of the allocation letter, should not be treated as violation of the terms and conditions of the allotment of South of Vellar Lignite block, failing which it will be presumed that your company has no explanation to furnish and action as appropriate will be taken against your company for de-allocation of the said block.

Yours faithfully


(V.S. Rana)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to :

- (i) The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, for information and necessary action at his end.
- (ii) The CMD, Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd., Neyveli.

✓ (iii) MIC, m/o Coal.

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