



Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Impact Assessment Division)

To,

The GM (Mining) Environment
Western Coalfields Limited

Subject: Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project Activity under the provision of EIA Notification 2006-regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application for Environmental Clearance (EC) in respect of project submitted to the Ministry vide proposal number IA/MH/CMIN/272500/2022 dated 13 May 2022. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

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| 1. EC Identification No. | EC22A042MH192422 |
| 2. File No. | J-11015/537/2008-IA-II(M) |
| 3. Project Type | Expansion7 |
| 4. Category | A |
| 5. Project/Activity including Schedule No. | 1(a) Mining of minerals |
| 6. Name of Project | Dinesh (Makardhokra-III) opencast coal mining project (Phase-I) for increase in production capacity from 4.20 MTPA to 4.50 in land area of 919.63 Ha located in the Village Hevti, Tehsil Umrer, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) in compliance with MoEF & CC's Office Memorandum vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III (E 177258) dated 07.05.2022 and U/S 7 (ii) of EIA Notification, 2006 |
| 7. Name of Company/Organization | Western Coalfields Limited |
| 8. Location of Project | Maharashtra |
| 9. TOR Date | N/A |

The project details along with terms and conditions are appended herewith from page no 2 onwards.

Date: 26/05/2022

(e-signed)
Lalit Bokolia
Scientist F
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F. No. J-11015/537/2008-IA.II (M).

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To

Dated: 26th May, 2022

The General Manager (Environment),
Dinesh (Makardhokra-III) OC Mine Expansion
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Sub: Expansion of Dinesh (Makardhokra -III) Opencast Coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 4.2 MTPA to 4.5 MTPA (increase of 10% w.r.t 3 MTPA) in land area of 919.63 Ha by M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the in the Village Hevti, Tehsil Umrer, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) - Environmental Clearance under OM vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III 07.05.2022- [Availing total 50% relaxation of OM dealing with exemption of public hearing under clause 7 (ii) of EIA notification].

Sir,


This has reference to your online proposal No. IA/MH/CMIN/272500/2022 dated 13th May, 2022 submitted to this Ministry for grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) in terms of the provisions with MoEF & CC's Office Memorandum vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III (E 177258) dated 07.05.2022 and as per EIA Notification, 2006) of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for Expansion of Dinesh (Makardhokra -III) Opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 4.2 MTPA to 4.5 MTPA (increase of 10% w.r.t 3 MTPA) in land area of 919.63 Ha by M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the in the Village Hevti, Tehsil Umrer, District Nagpur (Maharashtra).

2. Earlier, the proposal was granted EC for production capacity of 3 MTPA in ML area of 1636.97 Ha dated 21.06.2011. Further EC was granted for expansion under Clause 7 (ii) of EIA Notification, 2006 on 29.11.2018 as per O.M. dated 15.09.2017 for 40% expansion i.e. 4.2 MTPA. Presently the proposal is considered by the Ministry at central level in view of the exigency, as per the provisions of O.M. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III dated 07.05.2022.

3. Based on the submission of Project Proponent, Ministry hereby grants approval to Expansion of Dinesh (Makardhokra -III) opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 4.2 MTPA to 4.5 MTPA (increase of 10% w.r.t 3 MTPA) in land area of 919.63 Ha by M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the in the Village Hevti, Tehsil Umrer, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) under the provisions of OM vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III 07.05.2022, under the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments/circulars thereto subject to the compliance of the following terms & conditions / specific conditions for environmental safeguards as stated below:-

- i. PP shall submit Certified Compliance Report of the EC vide No. F. No. - J-11015/537/2008-IA.II (M). dated 29th November, 2018 granted for total 40% expansion, along with EIA/EMP report, prepared based on standard ToRs for the additional capacity of 10% on PARIVESH portal within six months of enhancement of production beyond 40%.
- ii. In view of above (i), Ministry shall ascertain the adequacy of the proposed environmental safeguards and stipulate necessary conditions, if required, which shall be monitored as a part of the EC compliance monitoring.
- iii. PP shall obtain necessary prior consent for enhanced capacity from State Pollution Control Board under Air and Water Act.
- iv. Environmental quality parameters arising out of proposed expansion shall be within the prescribed norms and the same shall be maintained as per prescribed norms.
- v. Hon'ble Supreme Court in an Writ Petition(s) Civil No. 114/2014, Common Cause vs Union of India & Ors vide its judgement dated 8th January, 2020 has directed the Union of India to impose a condition in the mining lease and a similar condition in the environmental clearance and the mining plan to the effect that the mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc. Compliance of this condition after the mining activity is over at the cost of the mining lease holders/Project Proponent".
- vi. All other terms and conditions as prescribed in Ministry's letter dated 21.06.2011 & 29.11.2018 shall remain the same and need to be complied by PP.

This issues with the approval of the competent Authority


(Lalit Bokolia)
Director

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1. The Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Government of Maharashtra, 15th Floor, New Admin. Bldg, Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32 (Maharashtra)
3. The Additional PCCF (Central), Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Regional Office (Western Central Zone), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur-1 (Maharashtra)
4. The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi -32
5. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point 3rd and 4th Floors, Sion Circle, Sion (E), Mumbai-2
6. The Chairman, Central Ground Water Authority, Jamnagar House, 18/11, Man Singh Road Area, New Delhi, Delhi 110001
7. The District Collector, Nagpur, Government of Maharashtra
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Director