

## File No.: J-11015/299/2010-IA-II(M) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change IA Division



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To,

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**Subject:** 

Proposal for Amendment in Environment Clearance (EC) of Mugoli Nirguda Extension Deep OC Mine of 5.25 MTPA woth project area of 1267.55 Ha, located in villages – Kolgaon, Matholi, Mugoli, etc, District Yavatmal of State Maharashtra by Western Coalfields Limited – Regarding Amendment in EC -regarding.

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application submitted to MoEF&CC vide proposal number IA/MH/CMIN/468509/2024 dated 23/05/2024 for grant of an amendment in prior Environmental Clearance (EC) to the project under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof.

2. The particulars of the proposal are as below:

(i) EC Identification No. EC24A0101MH5893605A (ii) File No. J-11015/299/2010-IA-II(M)

(iii) Clearance Type Amendment in EC

(iv) Category

(v) Schedule No./ Project Activity 1(a) Mining of minerals

(vi) Sector Coal Mining

(vii) Name of Project Mugoli Nirguda Extension Deep OC Mine

(viii) Location of Project (District, State) YAVATMAL, MAHARASHTRA

(ix) Issuing AuthorityMoEF&CC(x) EC Date23/05/2024

(xii) Applicability of General Conditions NO

(xiii) Status of implementation of the project

3. Mugoli Nirguda Extension Deep OC Mine is an existing coal mine of Western Coalfield Ltd. The mine is located in Mugoli Village, Wani Tehsil, Yavatmal District of Maharashtra State. An online application was submitted vide proposal

no. IA/MH/CMIN/468509/2024 dated 23.05.2024 for amendment in Environmental Clearance granted to M/s WCL vide letter no. J-11015/299/2010-IA.II(M), dated 11.01.2022 for Mugoli Nirguda Extension Deep OC Mine of 5.25 MTPA with project area of 1267.55 Ha. The details of the Amendment sought and justification submitted by the Project Proponent (PP) is as follows:

Specific/	Details of Conditions	Amendment sought
General		
Condition No.		
Specific	PP shall transport coal by road only for two years from the	PP shall transport coal by road till June'2025
Condition (VI)	date of issue of this letter and accordingly transportation	and accordingly transportation through off- pit
	through in- pit conveyor system and by silo loading at	conveyor system and by silo loading at
	Railway siding should be installed (as proposed) within 2	Railway siding should be installed by
	years	June'2025.
Specific	'PP shall install sand/aggregate segregation plant from	To be removed
Condition (X)	Overburden (OB) for suitable capacity to extract sand and	
	construction aggregate within 2 years of issue of this letter.	

- 4. PP along with NABET Accredited consultant made a detailed presentation on EC conditions require amendments along with its justification. The Committee deliberated on various aspects of the proposal submitted and the presented made by PP. After detailed presentation, Committee observed that the application is submitted for amendment in the following 2 specific condition of EC dated 11.01.2022.
- (i) As per Specific Condition no. (vi), transfer of coal by road was allowed only for two years from the date of issue of EC and transportation through in-pit conveyor system and by silo loading at Railway siding should be installed (as proposed) within 2 years. The amendment sought by PP is that they shall be allowed to transport coal by road till June 2025 and accordingly transportation through in-pit conveyor system and by silo loading at Railway siding should be installed by June 2025.
- (ii) Specific Condition no. (x) was regarding installation of sand/aggregate segregation plant from Overburden (OB) for suitable capacity to extract sand and construction aggregate within 2 years of issuance of EC. The amendment sought by the PP is to remove this particular condition.
- 5. EAC deliberated on the justification submitted by the PP for extension in time line upto June 2025 for road transportation and accordingly transportation through in-pit conveyor system and by silo loading at Railway siding should be installed by June 2025. Similarly, PP apprised the committee about the sand analysis report and techno-commercial viability of segregation from the plant. Based on the document submitted and discussion held the Committee recommended for amendment in EC for Specific Condition (vi) as given below:
- PP shall complete the work of Railway Siding, Silo Loading System (SLS) and belt conveyor to transport coal from pit to SLS by June 2025 and till then PP is allowed for the road transportation. PP shall undertake planting of trees along roads to be used for transport during 2024 monsoon season and submit details to RO by October 2024.

With respect to removal of Specific Condition no. (x), the Committee is of the view that PP shall first seek the Comments of State PWD Department on the quality of sand available and whether the same can be used for construction purpose or not. The Committee therefore did not agree for removal of this condition.

- **6**. Based on the recommendations of the EAC, Ministry hereby accord approval to an amendment in Specific Condition No. vi of the Environmental Clearance letter dated 11.01.2022 issued to M/s WCL for Mugoli Nirguda Extension Deep OC Mine of 5.25 MTPA with project area of 1267.55 Ha, located in Mugoli Village, Wani Tehsil, Yavatmal District of Maharashtra as given below:
- vi. PP shall complete the work of Railway Siding, Silo Loading System (SLS) and belt conveyor to transport coal from pit to SLS by June 2025 and till then PP is allowed for the road transportation. PP shall undertake planting of trees along roads to be used for transport during 2024 monsoon season and submit details to Regional Office by October 2024.
- 7. All other terms and conditions stipulated in the Environmental Clearance dated 11/01/2022 and its subsequent

amendments shall remain unchanged.

**8**. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

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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 Deputy Director General of Forests (C), Integrated Regional Office Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur- 440001, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,
- 4. The Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi 32
- 5. The Chairman, Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board, Kalapataru Point, 3rd & 4th Floors, Sion, Matunga Scheme Road No 8, Opp. Cine Planet Cinema, Near Sion circle, Sion (E) Mumbai-2.
- 6. The Member Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA),18/11Jamnagar House, Man Singh Road, New Delhi-11001.
- 7. The Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, Central Region, N.S. Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur 440001 Maharashtra
- 8. District Collector, Yavatmal, Government of Maharashtra
- 9. PARIVESH Portal

