

## Annexure 5

### Point No. 6: Compliance of serial no. M.2(iv)

Remarks: In mining plan forest area is shown as 176 ha Non forest land 224 ha. Total 400 Ha. But in applied forest area is 219.65 ha and non-forest area is 293.53 ha Total = 513.18 ha. which mismatches

### Explanation/Response:

In pursuant to letter no. 13016/31/2005-CA-I dated 13<sup>th</sup>January, 2006 of the Govt. Of India, Ministry of Coal, the Gondulpara Block was allotted to M/S Tenughat Vidyut Nigam Limited as leader and M/S Damodar Valley Corporation as an associate for working the block to meet their coal requirements for their Power Projects on 50:50 basis. Under the commercial coal mining auction process MoC, Govt. of India has reallocated the Gondulpara coal block to AEL as per Vesting order no NA-104/10/2020-NA, Dated 08.03.2021.

Mining plan was approved by the Ministry of Coal (MoC) vide letter No. 13016/31/2006-CA-I Dated 24.06.2009. In the approved mine plan, under block boundary; forest area shown is 176 ha and non-forest area shown is of 224 ha. In addition to coal block, there is an external dump of area 104 hectares approved in the mining plan. AEL has recently carried out the DGPS survey of the coal block including the additional area of proposed external dump of 104 hectares for the purpose of preparing the land schedule of the revenue and the forest lands required for land acquisition and forest diversion & Environmental Clearance purposes. Considering the coal block and external OB dump both, AEL has prepared the detailed land schedule of Gondulpara coal mine of total area of 513.18 hectares (mining block area- 409.92 & External OB dump area- 103.26 hectares). This 513.18 hectares of required land includes 219.65 hectares of forest land and 293.53 of non-forest land. Hence, Forest Diversion for 219.65 Ha. of forest land is required as per the FC Act' 1980 which has been proposed in our FC stage 1 draft proposal. AEL has already submitted amended mining plan with modified land schedule to Ministry of Coal on-line on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021 for their approvals Copy of the screenshot for submission of the Mining Plan in the portal enclosed.



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