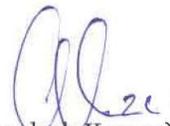


PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Barjora North Coal mine was initially allotted to M/s DVC-EMTA Coal Mines Limited for which they obtained Environmental Clearance from MoEF&CC vide letter no. J-11015/312/2007-IA.II (M) dated 13th March, 2008 for a lease area of 800.0 hectare (Ha) and maximum production of 3.0 MTPA of coal. The mine plan of the Barjora (North) OCP of DVC-EMTA Coal Mines Limited was approved by Ministry of Coal on 24th August, 2006 and subsequently mining operation was initiated. Around 6.11 million tonnes (MT) of coal was produced by the previous leasee. Further, as per the vesting order under the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, the mine lease was deallocated to West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited (WBPDCCL) on 4th August, 2015. Out of total lease area, a revised mining plan was prepared only for the non-forest land of 260.14 ha and which was approved by MoC on 4th September, 2017. Environmental clearance was also obtained from MoEF&CC by WBPDCCL on 31st May, 2018. Recently another revised mine plan over an area 683.04 including forest and non-forest land was approved by Ministry of Coal, Government of India, on 26/09/2019. As per approved recent mine plan of Barjora (North) Coal Mine, total geological reserve is 91.67MT. Out of total geological reserve, about 6.11Mt coal has already produce by previous leasee. Thus the remaining geological reserve about 85.56MT. Out of total reserve, 42.88MT coal are reserved under forest land.

Thus, the current application for seeking prior approval of Central Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 for Diversion of 338.74 Ha Forest area of Barjora (North) coal block is being submitted.


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