

**Speed Post**

**No.13016/77/2006-CA-I (Part)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Coal**

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New Delhi, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2011

✓ To,

M/s Gourangdih Coal Limited,  
Tower-A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, DLG IT Park,  
8, Major Arterial Road, Block-AF,  
New Town, Kolkata- 700 156

**Subject: Approval of Mining Plan (April 2011) for Gourangdih ABC coal block submitted by M/s Gourangdih Coal Limited - Reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no.GCL/ MP./ MoC/2010/ 19 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2010 submitting therewith Revised Mining Plan (April 2011) and Mine Closure Plan ( May 2011) and to say that the Revised Mining Plan ( April- 2011) including Mine Closure Plan (May – 2011) has been considered and the approval of the Central Government thereon is hereby conveyed under Section 5(2)(b) of the Mines & Minerals(Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The mining company shall take all necessary precautions regarding safety of mine workings, persons deployed therein.
- (ii) Mining Lease to be acquired shall not encroach into any other coal block.
- (iii) The approval of the Mining Plan is without prejudice to the requirement of approvals from competent/prescribed authority under the relevant rules/regulations etc.

2. Two copies of the approved Mining Plan duly signed by the competent authority are returned herewith with the request that a copy of the approved Mining Plan may be submitted to the concerned State Government for necessary action and also a photocopy of the approved Mining Plan may be sent to the Coal Controller for monitoring the block.

Yours faithfully,

  
(V.S. Rana)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl: as above

Copy to:

- (i) The Under Secretary, CPAM Section, Ministry of Coal for information and record.
- (ii) The Director, Coal Controller, 1- Council House Street, Kolkata.

Application No.  
Gourangdih ABC Coal Mine WBCPA/APP00239/2023  
Coal Controller Organization  
A subordinate organization of  
Ministry of Coal, Government of India,

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
2023-10-09

To  
West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited

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West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited State- West Bengal District- Paschim Bardhaman

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Subject: Approval of Mining Plan and Mine Closure Plan ( first Modification ) for Gourangdih ABC Coal Mine of M/s West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your application for approval of Mining Plan and Mine Closure Plan for Gourangdih ABC Coal Mine located in Raniganj Coal Field Submitted through application number APP00239 of Single Window Portal of Ministry of Coal for approval of the Central Government under Rule 22E of MCR 1960 for a rated capacity of 2.500 Mtpa Peak capacity 3.7500 Mtpa, Lease area 356.575 Ha and Project area 356.575 Ha has been considered and approval of the Central Government there on is hereby conveyed under Section 5(2)(b) of the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act 1957 subject to the following conditions:

1. The project proponent should ensure implementation of all observations made by internal committee during actual operation.
2. Project Proponent shall take all necessary precautions regarding safety of mine workings and persons deployed therein.
3. Mining lease of this block shall not encroach into any other adjacent coal block.
4. The cost of abandonment for carrying out the closure activities envisaged in the Mine closure plan is indicative. The actual cost for carrying out the activities at the time of final closure may be higher. The actual cost of abandonment will have to be borne by the project proponent for carrying out the closure activities.
5. The approval of the Mining Plan (Including Mine Closure Plan) is without prejudice to the requirement of approvals from competent /prescribed authority under the relevant rules/ regulations etc.
6. Approval of Mining plan is technical in nature, which is granted with a view to facilitating further developmental activities by the allottee. This approval will have no effect on the penalty provisions of the agreement in case of nonachievement of Milestones.
7. Monitoring of milestone for development of mine will be as per efficiency parameters in CBDPA/CMDPA and appropriation of PBG will be done in case of failure/delay in compliance with the timelines of CBDPA/CMDPA.
8. Evacuation route/ roads/ water bodies/other surface features/infrastructure outside the Geological Block/Project Area shall not be part of the Mining Plan (in line with para 1.6 of OM F.No. 34011/28/2019-CPAM dated 29.05.2020 of MoC for guidelines for Preparation, Formulation, Submission, Processing, Scrutiny, Approval and Revision of Mining Plan for coal and lignite blocks).
9. Name of manufacturer, make of equipment/HEMM, model name suggesting the name of the manufacturer, if mentioned anywhere in the mining plan, has not been considered for approval.
10. R and R shall be done according to existing laws. If it has been mentioned anywhere in the mining plan, it has not been considered for approval.
11. Extraction of coal seams greater than 1.2m thickness has been envisaged in the mining plan (as was approved in the earlier mining plan). However, all efforts shall be made to extract coal thickness below this thickness also to

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maximize reserve extraction within the block.

12. Dumping has been envisaged on areas outside the vesting block (as was approved in the earlier mining plan) and certificate of non-occurrence of seam and Lol has not been submitted for the area. A direction/advice was issued by MPS, MoC vide letter no. F.NO. 103/6/2016/NA [E-328890] dated 30.08.2023 regarding considering such cases in view of approval of dumping in the areas (outside the vested block) in the earlier mining plan and advancement in obtaining approvals like EC and FC. In the view of this, dumping has been allowed to be shown on the areas outside the vesting block (to be revised later, as per conditions), except for the first year. (a) During the first year, dumping shall be done within the vesting block boundary (leaving statutory distance from the block boundary) and ensuring compliance of provisions of Reg 108(5), CMR-2017. (b) Detailed exploration of the areas falling outside the block area, but inside the project area, shall be completed as soon as possible. In case of occurrence of coal in the areas, a revised mining plan, with no proposed dumping in such areas shall be submitted not later than one year of starting of mine. (c) In case of non-occurrence of coal in the areas under reference, a report shall be submitted to the competent authority. Dumping in the area outside allocated block boundary within project area shall commence only after submission of non-existence of coal certificate from CMPDI and Lol from State Govt.

13. Sector-B of the allocated block was not projectized in the earlier approved mining plan (2011) (as it is covered by thick habitations not willing to shift) and so not been projectized in the instant mining plan also. However, in future, if villagers agree to vacate the area, the mining plan shall be revised accordingly.

**You are requested to download the copy of the mining plan and mine closure plan duly signed by the competent authority for needful actions and submissions at your end.**

Yours Faithfully

(Aarti Mahawar)

Deputy Director,

Coal Controller Organisation (A subordinate organization of Ministry of Coal)

Copy to:

1. Under Secretary, NA section, MoC
2. Under Secretary, NA section, MoC