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MINISTRY OF COAL
OFFICE OF THE COAL CONTROLLER
1, Council House Street, Kolkata - 700 001.

Dated, 01.08.2016

To
The Director (P&P)/Nominated Owner,
CIL/Subsidiary Coal Companies, SCCL, NLC
All Pvt Coal Block Owners (Escrow A/c Holder),
All Lignite Company Owners.

Sub: Verification of Annual Mine Closure Activities of coal/lignite mines by third party agencies approved by Ministry of Coal -Reg

Ref:- (i) MOC's letter NO. 34011/21/2016-CPAM dated 15.07.2016

- (ii) MOC's letter No. 55011-01-2009-CPAM dated 7.1.2013
- (iii) MOC's letter No. 55011/01/2009-CPAM dated 29th June, 2016

Sir,

I am directed to refer to **Para 7 of** annuxure of MOC's guidelines dated 7.1.2013 regarding Guidelines for Preparation of Mine Closure Plan and to state that the owner shall submit to the Coal Controllera yearly report before 1st July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plans (Progressive and Final Closure Plans). Meanwhile Ministry of Coal vide their letter dated 15.07.2016 has conveyed that a programme in consultation with mine operators is to be finalised for getting the status of Mine Closure activities verified by a third party Organisation as notified in this regard in Mine Closure Guidelines in a year's time frame (Copy enclosed for ready reference).

In order to comply the decision of Ministry of Coal, every mine operator is required to submit annual Mine Closure Activity report henceforth in the prescribed proforma already available with you duly verified by an approved third party organisation which are as follows:-

- 1. Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL) Ranchi.
- 2. National Environmental Engineering Research Institute(NEERI), Nagpur
- 3. Indian School of Mines (ISM), Dhanbad
- 4. Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kharagpur and
- 5. Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IIEST), Shibpur, WB.

So, you are requested to submit the Mine wise annual closure acitvity report for the period 2015-16 as per approved mine closure plan in our prescribed proforma after verified by any of the above noted third party organisation to the CCO HQ Office, Kolkata with a copy to the Regional Field Offices of CCO.

This issues with the approval of Coal Controller.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As Stated

(S. K. Ray)

Dy. Director General (HO)

Copy for information to:-

- 1. The Advisor (Projects), Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001.
- 2. The Director (Tech), Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi- 110 001
- 3. The Director (T), CMPDIL, Gondwana Place, Kankee Road, Ranchi-834008.
- 4. The Director, Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad.
- 5. The Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur-721 302, WB.
- 6. The Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur, P.O. Botanic Garden, Howrah-711103 (West Bengal)
- 7. The Scientist & Head, National Environmental Engineering Research Institute(NEERI), Nehru Marg, Nagpur- 440 020.
- 8. The OSD, CCO, Dhanbad, Ranchi, Asansol, Sambalpur, Bilaspur, Nagpur, Kothagudem & Kolkata.

34011-21-2016-CPAM Ministry of Coal CPAM Section

> New Delhi, Shastri Bhawan Dated 15-07-2016

To.

The Coal Controller
1, Council House Street,
Kolkata-700001

Subject: Status of Mining Operation and Escrow Account execution.

Sir,

I have been directed to refer to this Ministry's guidelines on Mine Closure Plan and opening of Escrow account by project proponent. In this matter it is requested to send mine wise details about amount deposited in escrow account till date, amount claimed by project proponent against concurrent mine closure activities & final Closure plan and third party inspection done till date to assess the implementation of mine closure activities. The details of the mines closed till date is also to be communicated.

The Undersigned has also been directed to say that a program in consultation with the mine operators is to be finalized for getting the status of Mine Closure activities verified by a third party organization as notified in this regard in Mine Closure Guidelines, in a year's time frame. The program is to be finalized in a month's time and communicated to this Ministry. The .docx File and PDF file of the same should also be e-mailed to this ministry at socpam.moc@nic.in.

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