

To

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Regional Office (Eastern Central Zone) Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Govt. of India Bungalow No. A-2, Shyamali Colony, Ranchi – 834002, Jharkhand.

Ref No. - JMB/ENV/KOCP/24/ 162 /2019

May 23, 2019

Ref.: Environmental Clearance letter No.- J-11015/252/2005-IA.II (M) dated June 22, 2006

SUB: Half Yearly Compliance Status Report of Environment Clearance conditions issued by MoEFCC, New Delhi to Kalimela Open Cast Project, Tata Steel Limited, Dhanbad for the period October'18 to March'19.

Dear Sir,

We are enclosing herewith compliance report for the period **October'18 to March'19** for the EC granted vide letter no.- J-11015/252/2005-IA.II(M), Dated-22nd June 2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi.

Copy of the compliance report is also being sent in soft format through email at <u>ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in</u> for your kind perusal. We trust the information furnished is in line with your requirement.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Head (Planning) Jharia Division, Tata Steel Ltd.

Encl : As above.

- Copy to: Member Secretary, CPCB, Eastern Zonal Office, Southend Conclave, 502, 5th Floor 1582, Rajdanga Main Road, Kolkata -700107.
- Copy to: Member Secretary, JSPCB, T.A. Division Building (Ground Floor), H.E.C, Dhurwa, Ranchi - 834004.

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HALF YEARLY COMPLIANCE REPORT (PERIOD: OCTOBER'18 – MARCH'19)

OCP KALIMELA PROJECT UNDER JAMADOBA COLLIERY



TATA STEEL LIMITED, JHARIA DIVISION

P.O.- JAMADOBA, DIST. - DHANBAD, STATE- JHARKHAND, PIN CODE – 828112.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE GRANTED VIDE LETTER NO. - J-11015/252/2005-IA.II(M) DATED- 22ND JUNE 2006 ISSUED BY GOVT. OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FOREST, NEW DELHI.

S. No.	Condition	Compliance Status	
Specif	Specific Condition:		
(i)	All the conditions stipulated by SPCB in their NOC no N-35 dated 31.01.2005 are to be implemented effectively.	NOC conditions are being complied with. The open cast operations have ceased, and no raw coal production has been taking place since Nov'2014. Now backfilling of the mine void by the OB is going on which is expected to be completed by Sep'20. The status of the same will be regularly updated to MOEF office.	
(ii)	The bund/embankment shall be designed taking into account highest flood level, based on past data, in the Damodar River/ Dungri Jore so as to guard against mine inundation.	The embankment exists along Dungri Jore. The HFL (Highest flood line) of Damodar river is way below the surface level of open cast mine hence bunds across the river is not necessary. The photos have been provided in previous compliance reports.	
(iii)	Topsoil should be stacked properly with proper slope at earmarked sites and should not be kept active and shall be used for reclamation and development of green belt.	No further top soil will be generated as coal mining activity has been cease since Nov'14. After backfilling of mine void, top soil will be used for biological reclamation of backfilled and OB area.	
(iv)	OB should be stacked at earmarked external OB dumpsite(s) within ML area and shall be a maximum height of 60m only and consist of benches of 10m each. The ultimate slope of the dump shall not exceed 28°. Backfilling shall begin at the end of 3rd year in the decoaled area. Monitoring and management of existing reclaimed dumpsites should continue until the vegetation becomes self-sustaining. Compliance Status should be submitted to the MOEF and its regional office at Bhubaneswar on yearly basis.	OB is stacked within ML area at an area of 12 ha approx. About 24.08 lakh cum of OB generated has been stacked with an approximate height reached of 50 mts. The other conditions are being followed as well. This OB is being used for backfilling the mine pit as part of our mine closure plan.	
(v)	Catch drains and siltation ponds of appropriate size should be constructed to arrest silt and sediment flows from soil, OB and mineral dumps. The water so collected should be utilized for watering the mine area, roads, green belt development, etc. The drains should be regularly desilted and maintained properly.	Catch drain and siltation ponds have been constructed to arrest the debris, silt and sediment flows from OB dumps. Collected water had been used for watering mine area, roads & plantation. Total length of catch drains was 2200 mts. Garland drains (about 1790 mts) had been completely constructed around the mine site to ensure runoff water during rainy season is	

	Garland drains (size, gradient and length) and sump capacity should be designed keeping 50% safety margin over and above the peak sudden rainfall and maximum discharge in the area adjoining the mine site. Sump capacity should also provide adequate retention period to allow proper settling of slit material.	properly drained off. Since mine area has not gone to expand, no additional garland drains are required as of now.
(vi)	Dimension of the retaining wall at the toe of the dumps and OB benches within the mine to check run-off and siltation should be based on the rainfall data.	Retention wall (or Toe wall) of about 2200 mts. exists around the dump area to check run-off and siltation.
(vii)	The effluents from the coal washery shall be treated to prescribed norms before discharge from the lease.	There is no separate coal washery for OCP Kalimela. We have a central coal washery for Jamadoba group of mines, about 1.5 kms away, which has a closed water circuit system to maintain zero discharge.
(viii)	Crushers at the CHP should be operated with high efficiency bag filters, water sprinkling system should be provided to check fugitive emissions from crushing operations, conveyor system, haulage roads, transfer points, etc.	There is no separate CHP for OCP Kalimela. The existing CHP for Jamadoba group of mines already has adequate measures in place such as water sprinkling system (fixed and movable) and dry fog system.
(ix)	Drills should be wet operated.	It is not applicable now as mining has ceased.
(x)	Controlled blasting should be practiced only during daytime with use of delay detonators. The mitigative measures for control of ground vibration and to arrest the fly rocks and boulders should be implemented.	It is not applicable now as mining has ceased.
(xi)	Area brought under afforestation includes reclaimed external OB dump (12.89 ha), backfilled area (25.15 ha), along ML boundary, along roads (0.45 ha) and in undisturbed area (1.14 ha) within the lease area by planting native species in consultation with the local DFO/Agriculture Department. The density of the trees should be around 2500 plants per ha.	We are utilising the external OB to backfill the mine voids. The whole area including void and dump area is being reclaimed and plantation will be done after backfilling jobs are over.

(xii)	A progressive closure plan shall be implemented by reclamation of quarry area of 25.15 ha which shall be backfilled and afforested by planting native plant species in consultation with the local DFO/Agriculture Department. The density of the trees should be around 2500 plants per ha. The balance 1.10 ha of decoaled area shall be converted into a water reservoir, the upper benches of which shall be gently sloped and stabilized and reclaimed with plantation.	Around 1 Ha area was backfilled when the mine was in operation. The remaining area has also been taken up for backfilling and subsequent restoration to original land-use. The mine closure plan under mining plan of Jamadoba Colliery (including MCP of Kalimela) has been approved by MOC, Delhi. Copy of the approving letter is enclosed as Annexure.
(xiii)	Conservation Plan for endangered species, if any, found in and around the project area shall be formulated, if required, in consultation with the State Forest and Wildlife Departments.	Not Applicable.
(xiv)	The company shall obtain prior approval of CGWA/ CGWB Regional Office for use of groundwater if any, for mining operations.	Not applicable.
(xv)	Regular monitoring of groundwater level and quality should be carried out by establishing a network of existing wells and construction of new peizometers. The monitoring for quantity should be done four times a year in pre-monsoon (May), monsoon (August), post-monsoon (November) and winter (January) seasons and for quality in May. Data thus collected should be submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forest and to the Central Pollution Control Board quarterly within one month of monitoring.	Now there will be no impact on ground water as mining has ceased. However, quality of groundwater is regularly analysed.
(xvi)	The Company shall put up artificial groundwater recharge measures for augmentation of groundwater resource. The project authorities should meet water requirement of nearby village(s) in case the village wells go dry due to dewatering of mine.	Now there will be no impact on ground water as mining has ceased. However, quality of groundwater is regularly analysed.

(xvii)	ETP should also be provided for workshop, coal washery and CHP wastewater.	It is not applicable. Though ETP for Central Workshop has been commissioned having facility of Oil & Grease Trap.
(xviii)	R&R shall not be less than the norms laid down by the State Government and shall be completed within a specified time-frame.	It is not applicable.
(xix)	A Final Mine Closure Plan along with details of Corpus Fund should be submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forests for approval 5 years in advance of final mine closure for approval.	It has been approved by MOC, Delhi. Copy of approval letter is enclosed as Annexure.
(xx)	Consent to operate shall be obtained before starting mining operations.	Consent to operate has been obtained from JSPCB vide letter ref. No. JSPCB/HO/RNC/CTO-2512557/2018/1469 dated-18.09.2018 valid upto 30.09.2022.
Gene	ral Conditions:	
(i)	No change in mining technology and scope of working should be made without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment and forest.	All mining excavation activities are terminated since Nov'14.
(i)	No change in the calendar plan including excavation, quantum of mineral coal and waste should be made.	All mining excavation activities are terminated since Nov'14.
(ii)	Four Ambient Air quality monitoring station should be established in the core zones as well as in the buffer zone SPM, RSPM, SO2 and NOX monitoring location of the stations should be decided based on the metrological data & topographical features & environmentally & ecologically sensitive targets in consultation with SPCB.	The operations have now ceased. Though the ambient air quality is still being measured for the adjoining mines of Tata Steel and the reports sent in the EC compliance reports of those units.
(iii)	Fugitive dust emissions (SPM & RSPM) from all the sources should be controlled regularly monitored & data recorded properly. Water spraying arrangement on haul roads, wagon loading, and dump trucks (loading & unloading) points should be provided & properly maintained.	Presently no coal excavation and transportation jobs are going on. Backfilling of OB into mine void is going on. Water sprinkling on transport roads is being done regularly.

(iv)	Data on ambient air quality (SPM, RSPM, SOx & NOx) should be regularly submitted to the Ministry including its regional office at Bhubaneswar and to the SPCB & CPCB once in six months.	The ambient air monitoring is being done for the adjoining underground mines and their reports sent in those units' compliance reports.
(v)	Adequate measures should be taken for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. Workers engaged in blasting and drilling operations of HEMM etc. All should be provided with Ear Plug/Muff.	It is not applicable now.
(vi)	Industrial waste water (Workshop and Waste water from the mine) should be properly collected, treated so as to conform to the standards prescribed under GSR 422(E)	There is no generation of waste water.
(vii)	Vehicular emissions should be kept under control and regularly monitored. Vehicle	No mineral is being transported now. The vehicles carrying OB are only allowed to ply after securing full compliance on vehicle check list. Check list ensures the optimum load, good condition, emissions under limit.
(viii	Environmental laboratory should be established with adequate number and type of pollution monitoring and analysis equipment in consultation with the SPCB.	We have a fully equipped Environment Cell Laboratory with qualified personnel. Laboratory has been recognized and registered with the Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board vide letter ref no. B-3922, dated-30.08.2012. The monitoring and analysis is also done at regular intervals by M/s Ecomen Laboratories Pvt Ltd., an NABL and MoEF recognised laboratory (vide its notification 03.01.2014).
(ix)	Personnel working in dusty area should wear protective respiratory devices and they should also be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspect. Occupational Health Surveillance programme of the worker should be under taken periodically to observe any contraction due to exposure to dust and to take corrective measures if needed.	It is not applicable now.

(x)	A separate Environmental Management cell with suitable qualified personnel should be set up under the control of a senior executive, who will report directly to the Head of the Company.	We have a separate Environmental Management Cell with four qualified personnel (One Head and Two Senior Managers and One Manager). The reporting of Environmental Cell is directly to General Manager of the Division.
(xi)	Funds earmarked for environmental protection measures should be kept in separate A/C and should not be diverted for other purposes. Year wise expenditure should be reported to this ministry and its regional office at Bhubaneswar.	The mine was closed during this period.
(xii)	The regional office of this ministry located at Bhubaneswar shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities shall extend full co-operation to the officer of regional office by furnishing the requisite Data/ information/ monitoring report.	Being complied. All data is being furnished in the compliance report and during inspection.

Head Planning Tata Steel Limited, Jharia Division

Approval of Mine Closure Plan of Jamadoba Colliery (incl Kalimela Open Cast mine)

<u>No. 13016/1/2014-PCA</u> Government of India Ministry of Coal

New Delhi, Shastri Bhawan Dated 3rd May, 2019

To

The Chief Resident Executive, Tata Steel Limited, Jeevan Bharti Building Tower – 1 10th Floor, 124, Connaught Circus, New Delhi - 110001

<u>Sub:</u> Mining Plan (Including Mine Closure Plan) for Jamadoba Colliery of M/s. Tata Steel Limited (TSL) -reg

Sir,

I am directed to refer the subject mentioned above and to state that after due deliberation Standing Committee approved the Mining Plan (Including Mine Closure Plan) for Jamadoba Colliery with the following conditions:-

- i. The Mining Company shall come up with revised Mining Plan within one year of proving of Coal Reserves of the lower seams.
- ii. The project proponent shall take all necessary precautions regarding safety of mine workings and persons deployed therein.
- iii. Mining lease of this block shall not encroach into any other adjacent coal block.
- iv. 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.
- v. 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.

2. Two copies of approved Mining Plan (Including Mine Closure Plan) are enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

(Alka Shekhar) Under Secretary to Government of India

Encl : as above

Copy to :-

- (i) Under Secretary CPAM Section Ministry of Coal
- (ii) DDO, MoC with demand draft dated 05.04.2019 of Rs 10,000/- as processing fees for approval of above Mining Plan (Including Mine Closure Plan)