

4. Import of coal for blending purpose needs to be done in a streamlined manner in order to avoid clogging of logistics. During Q1 & Q2 of FY 23, imported coal stocks at ports piled up due to logistics constraints.

5. In the light of above scenario where energy demand is increasing and increase in supply of coal is not commensurate with the domestic coal requirement, the need has arisen to continue use imported coal for blending purpose. MoP, after consultation with CEA, MoC, MoR and Association of Power Producers (APP) has decided to direct all Gencos to import coal for blending 6% (by weight) for the remaining period of this current FY and H1 of the next FY (upto September, 2023). The domestic coal supply of those Gencos who do not follow these instructions shall be restricted to pro-rata basis. The Central, State Gencos and IPPs are directed to take necessary action and immediately plan to import coal through a transparent competitive procurement for blending at the rate of 6% by weight so as to have coal stocks at their power plants for smooth operations till September 2023.

6. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister of Power & NRE.


(Subhash Chand)-


Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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5. DG, Association of Power Producers (APP)

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