CORRIGENDUM

Sub: Approval of the Government on the recommendations of Group of Ministers (GoM) constituted to examine the specific recommendations of High Level Empowered Committee (HLEC) constituted to address the issues of Stressed Thermal Power Projects.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry’s OM of even No. dated 05.08.2019 (copy enclosed) with respect to the mechanism to be followed to ensure that net surplus generated after meeting operating expenses are entirely used for servicing debt in the first place.

2. In this regard, Para 2(v)(a) of OM dated 05.08.2019 is modified as under:

“Statutory Payments: All payments towards statutory dues (includes taxes, duties paid to Government and other Statutory Authorities)”, may be read as:

“Statutory Payments: All payments towards statutory dues (includes taxes, duties paid to Government and other Statutory Authorities) arising from the incremental generation from this scheme.”

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Approval of the Government on the recommendations of Group of Ministers (GoM) constituted to examine the specific recommendations of High Level Empowered Committee (HLEC) constituted to address the issues of Stressed Thermal Power Projects.

The undersigned is directed to refer to para no. 2.1(e) of OM no. L-2/2018-IPC(Part-4) dated 08.03.2019 of this Ministry (copy enclosed) on the ‘Approval of the Government on the recommendations of Group of Ministers (GoM) constituted to examine the specific recommendations of High Level Empowered Committee (HLEC) constituted to address the issues of Stressed Thermal Power Projects’ which is as follows:

“2.1(e): In all cases where provisions of B(viii)(c) and (d) above are utilized, net surplus after meeting operating expenses generated in this manner shall be entirely used for servicing debt in the first place. MoP will work out in consultation with DFS – a mechanism to ensure this.”

2. The issue has been examined in consultation with Department of Financial Services. In this regard, the following mechanism has to be followed to ensure that net surplus generated after meeting operating expenses are entirely used for servicing debt in the first place:

(i) In case the Developer uses linkage coal under B(viii) (a), (b), (c) and (d) of the amended SHAKTI Policy, Trust and Retention Account (TRA) mechanism must be put in place, if it is not there already. All revenues generated shall be deposited into the TRA. The TRA shall be governed by extant rules and regulations in place.

(ii) Generally, the lead Banker shall act as TRA agent. However, in case Non-Banking Finance Company like PFC or REC is the lead financier, any bank, which is one of the lenders, can be assigned the role of TRA agent.

(iii) All financial costs, whether for existing or the top up loan (for term loan, working capital and non-funded financial facilities etc.) to be allowed on actual basis subject to Para (v) below.

(iv) Lenders shall appoint Cash Flow Monitoring Agency (CFMA) to verify cash flow and actual costs incurred. Lenders’ Financial Adviser (LFA) and Lenders’ Engineer / Project Manager may be appointed as CFMA.

(v) The priority (in the decreasing order) for allowing the expenditure from the revenue deposited in the TRA shall be as under:

a) Statutory Payments: All payments towards statutory dues (includes taxes, duties paid to Government and other Statutory Authorities).
b) **Fuel Cost**: All payments towards fuel (coal and secondary oil) cost.

c) **Transmission Expenses**: All payments for transmission expenses up to the delivery point.

d) **Operation & Maintenance Expenses**: All payments for operation & maintenance expenses of the power plant. Actual O&M expenses duly certified by CFMA shall be considered subject to the ceiling of prescribed CERC Norms for O&M expenses per MW.

e) **Interest Payments to Lenders**: All interest payments to the Banks/Financial Institutions for lending to the Power Plant.

f) **Principal Payments to Lenders**: All principal repayments to the Banks/Financial Institutions.

In the event, any amount is left in the Trust and Retention Account after making all the above mentioned payments, the same shall be retained by the Developer.

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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