

## **JSPL's Steel Plant in Odisha gets MoEF nod**

*New Delhi, February 15, 2011:* The Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) has given a go-ahead to Jindal Steel and Power Limited's (JSPL) 6 MTPA (million tonnes per annum) integrated steel plant and 1,000 MW Captive Power plant at Kerjang, Angul in Odisha.

The directions to this effect were posted on the MoEF's website on 14.02.11.

On November 22, 2010, the Ministry had issued a show cause notice to JSPL under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 subsequent to a complaint made by some NGO to the MoEF.

JSPL replied to all the points followed by a personal hearing on 29.12.2010 and also furnished additional information sought by MoEF during the meeting. MoEF, after examining/analyzing all submissions of JSPL, has issued the said letter giving certain conditions u/s 5 of the EPA, 1986.

JSPL has been asked to earmark 2% of the net profit as the CSR budget and to adopt dry quenching in coke oven plant to conserve water, use 100% fly ash generated for cement and brick manufacturing and back filling in the captive coal mine and abandoned coal mines. Further 33% of the area is to be developed as a green belt, coal gasification technology is to be used for manufacture of DRI, to achieve particulate emissions below 50 mg/m<sup>3</sup> and adopt rainwater harvesting measures.

The company will comply with all directions given in the MoEF communication.

JSPL is planning to invest Rs. 50,000 Crore to set up a 12.5 million tonne integrated steel plant and 2600 MW captive power plant in Odisha in phases. The company is also investing close to Rs 45,000 Crore on the coal to liquid project in the state to produce an estimated 80,000 barrels per day (4.0 MTPA) crude oil using environment-friendly indirect coal liquefaction technology from M/s. Lurgi of Germany.

### **About Jindal Steel & Power Limited (JSPL)**

Jindal Steel and Power Limited (JSPL) today is one of India's major steel producers with a significant presence in sectors like Steel, Mining, Power Generation and Infrastructure. With an annual turnover of over US \$2.3 billion, JSPL is a part of the about US \$ 12 billion diversified O. P. Jindal Group. In the recent past, JSPL has expanded its steel, power and mining businesses to various parts of the world particularly in Asia, Africa and South America.

The company produces economical and efficient steel and power. From the widest flat products to a whole range of long products, JSPL sports a product portfolio that caters to major infrastructure & housing projects in the country. It also has the distinction of producing the world's longest 121 metre rails and large size parallel flange beams. It also produces the widest plate in coil form up to 3.5 metre wide.

The organisation is equally concerned about the environment and is committed towards restoring nature's balance by maintaining a clean and green environment. JSPL's Corporate Social Responsibility policy aims at bringing about a radical transformation in the quality of life of the people in and around the operation areas of the company through positive intervention in social upliftment programs.

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