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Subject: Circulation of minutes of 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) of National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) held on 22nd December, 2021.

Please find enclosed the minutes of 22nd meeting of Executive Committee of NMET held on 22nd December, 2021 for your kind perusal.

Action Taken Report on relevant paras may kindly be forwarded to this office.

[Amit Saran] 3/1/2022
Director & HoD, NMET

To,

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2. The Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
4. The Joint Secretary and Financial Advisor, Ministry of Mines, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
5. The Director General, Geological Survey of India, 27, J. L. Nehru Road, Kolkata-700016.
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Minutes of the 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee of National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) held on 22th December, 2021

The 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee of National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Alok Tandon, Secretary (Mines) on 22nd December, 2021 in Khanij Kaksh, Ministry of Mines, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi through video conference. The list of participants is given in **Annexure-1.**

2. Shri Sanjay Lohiya, Additional Secretary, Mines welcomed all the participants in the meeting.

3. Following are the agenda points discussed and decisions taken.

3.1 Agenda 22.1: Approval of minutes of 21st EC meeting held on 19th July, 2021

The minute of 21st EC was circulated on 22nd July, 2021 to all members of Executive Committee (EC) and no comments have been received.

Decision of EC:

EC approved the minutes of the 21st EC meeting held on 19th July, 2021.

3.2. Agenda 22.2: Discussion on ATR of the 21stmeeting of Executive Committee

The Action Taken Report on minutes of the 21st EC meeting was presented in the meeting. Shri Amit Saran, Director & HoD, NMET informed that necessary action have been taken on decision of the minutes of 21st EC Meeting.

Decision of EC:

EC accepted the action taken reports on minutes of 21st EC meeting.

3.3. Agenda 22.3: Approval of new project proposals recommended by the Technical-cum-Cost Committee (TCC)

The Director & HoD, NMET, informed EC that total 23 projects was proposed in which the TCC during 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th and 35th meeting held in July, August, September, October and November, 2021 respectively recommended 21 nos. of projects with estimated cost of ₹77.14 Cr.

Further, two projects were deferred by EC in 20th EC meeting with estimated cost of ₹8.02 Cr. were also submitted.

Chairman, TCC, NMET presented the details of projects proposed by TCC during

31st to 35th TCC meeting as well as the two differed projects. Further, he informed that 7 base metal projects (₹ 16.89 Cr.), 1 project of sillimanite (₹ 3.80 Cr.), 2 REE projects (₹ 4.63 Cr.), 1 Emerald project (₹ 0.98 Cr.), 11 coal projects (₹ 58.48 Cr.) and 1 Bauxite project (₹ 0.43 Cr) along with 15 projects for time-overrun have submitted for EC approval.

The details of 23 project proposals at estimated cost of ₹85.16 Cr. recommended for approval of EC are as follows:

S. No.	Project/Block Name	Commodity	Stage	Duration (Months)	Approved Cost (₹ Cr. including GST)
Implementing Agency: MECL					
1	Preliminary Exploration for Copper Ore in Dhanota block, Southern Khetri Copper Belt, District: Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan.	Copper	G3	12	4.03
2	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for copper ore in Singhana-Muradpur West Intervening Block, District: Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan.	Copper	G3	13	3.43
3	Reconnaissance Survey for Copper, Lead, Zinc and Gold in Laron block (45.00 sq. km) District: Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh.	Copper, Lead-Zinc	G4	15	2.66
4	Reconnaissance Survey for Sillimanite in Chippilangso block (37.93 sq. km) District: Karbianglong, Assam.	Sillimanite	G4	18	3.80
5	Reconnaissance Survey for Copper in Chalima block (101.84 sq. km) District: Giridih, Jharkhand.	Copper	G4	12	1.83
6	Reconnaissance Survey for REE in Karadihalli block (120.00 sq. km), District: Hassan and Chikmagalur, Karnataka.	REE	G4	12	0.64
7	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Emerald in Rajgarh block (115.00 sq. km), District: Ajmer, Rajasthan.	Emerald	G4	14	0.98
8	Reconnaissance Survey for Copper, Lead, Zinc, Graphite and associated minerals in Bagwari-Sukwari area (141.75 sq. km), District: Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh.	Copper, Lead, Zinc, Graphite	G4	12	1.82
Implementing Agency: KIOCL					
9	Reconnaissance Survey for	Basemetal	G4	12	1.41

	basemetal in Anaji block (135.00 sq. km), District: Davangere, Karnataka.				
10	Reconnaissance Survey for basemetal in Oblapuram block (53.0 sq. km), District: Davangere, Karnataka.	Basemetal	G4	12	1.66
Implementing Agency: CMPDI					
11	Reconnaissance Survey for coal in Pawanchora Central block, Wardh Valley Coalfield, District: Chandrapur, Maharashtra.	Coal	G4	12	4.44
12	General Exploration for coal in south of Damuda block, Jharia Coalfield, District: Dhanbad, Jharkhand.	Coal	G2	18	11.25
13	Preliminary Exploration for coal in North of Parbelia, Raniganj Coalfield, District: Purulia, West Bengal.	Coal	G3	12	2.86
14	Preliminary Exploration for coal in West of Borda and Ghonsa-Parsoda block, Wardha Valley Coalfield, District: Chandrapur, Maharashtra.	Coal	G3	18	12.02
15	Preliminary Exploration for coal in North of Rajathari, Pench Kanhan Tawa Valley Coalfield, District: Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh.	Coal	G3	20	13.88
16	Preliminary Exploration for coal in West of Chano-Rikba Coal Block, North Karanpura Coalfield, District: Hazaribagh, Jharkhand.	Coal	G3	12	3.75
17	Reconnaissance Survey for coal in North West of Madheri Extension block, Wardha Valley Coalfield, District: Wardha, Maharashtra.	Coal	G4	9	1.24
18	Preliminary Exploration for coal in North of Labji Pusla Block, Sonhat Coalfield, District: Korea, Chhattisgarh.	Coal	G3	12	3.18
19	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for bauxite in the Maduapat-1 block, District: Lohardaga, Jharkhand.	Bauxite	G3	12	0.43
20	Reconnaissance Survey for coal in North of Chulaha	Coal	G4	12	2.56

	Bhulia block (8.77 sq km), Sohagpur Coalfield, District: Anuppur, Madhya Pradesh.				
21	Preliminary Exploration for coal in West of Sheetaldhara block (3.94 sq km), Sohagpur Coalfield, District: Anuppur, Madhya Pradesh.	Coal	G3	12	0.98
22	Preliminary exploration for coal in Ulia-Gamhardih Block, East of Bisrampur Coalfield, District: Surguja, Chhattisgarh.	Coal	G3	12	2.32
23	Preliminary Exploration for Rare Metals and REE in Bisariya- Bansaruli- Jamtoli Area, District: Ranchi, Jharkhand.	REE	G3	18	3.99
				Total	**85.16 Cr.**

During discussion Chairman, TCC NMET, informed that Preliminary Exploration in Dhanota Block (S. No. 1) was deferred in 20th EC meeting in light of the notification of Mineral (Auction) Second Amendment Rule, 2021. The State government has given its consent for G3 exploration.

Shri D. K. Sinha, Director, AMD suggested that clear recommendations of GSI was not available. Chaiman, TCC informed that GSI has carried mineral exploration in Singhana-Muradpur-Pacheri block and established reserve with 0.83% to 1.11% copper grade in the Central Sinhgana bclok. The Singhana-Muradpur West Intervening Block is gap area and State Government request for exploration to auction the block after clubbing the area.

During the discussions of the project for Reconnaissance Survey for Copper, Lead, Zinc and Gold in Laron block (45.00 sq. km) (S. No. 3), Shri D. K. Sinha, Director, AMD suggested that associated minerals, as per MCR , 2016, may also be analysed during exploration for Copper, Lead and Zinc.

Dr. N. P. Nathan, Member, EC suggested that the host rock for REE mineralization in Karadihalli block (S. No. 6) may be reassessed as the samples analysis results of source rock was not available in the proposal. Further, Director, AMD suggested to provide details of mineralization & type of deposit of REE.

Shri D. K. Sinha, Director, AMDinformed that in respect of project Preliminary exploration for Rare Metals and REE (S. No. 23), a discussion has been held with CMPDI regarding the project "Preliminary Exploration for Rare Metals and REE in Bisariya- Bansaruli- Jamtoli Area, District: Ranchi, Jharkhand" and details have been shared with CMPDI. The project did not appear to be feasible for REE exploration in the proposed block. The details of the discussion may be asked from CMPDI.

Shri Anandji Prasad, Advisor (Project) Ministry of Coal informed that a committee has been constituted for modification in rules for coal exploration and recommendations are awaited.

Secretary, Mines opined that the coal projects be considered after the modification of the coal exploration rules for which the work seems to be in a fairly advanced stage . He also suggested that a presentation on coal exploration be organised by

Advisor (Project), Ministry of Coal.

Decision of EC:

- EC accorded the approval of the projects at**S. No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10** and **19** with an estimated cost of**₹22.05 Cr.**
- The coal project proposals (S. No. **11** to **18** and **20 to 22**) have been deferred. The Secretary (Mines) directed that these will be considered after finalisation of revised exploration norms for coal and presentation on the requirement of coal exploration to Secretary, Mines.
- The project proposal **[S. No. 6]** is deferred and referred back to TCC for reassessment.
- The project proposal **[S. No. 23]** is deferred and EC asked CMPDI to share the details of AMD meeting with NMET.

(Action: NMET/TCC/CMPDI)

4. Agenda 22.4: Time overrun in the ongoing projects executed by Exploration Agencies through NMET funding.

The Notified Exploration Agencies (NEA's) [MECL, DGM, MP, GSI, TSMDC, DGM Chhattisgarh, MERIT, AP] have requested for time over run for the ongoing projects as work could not be carried out since implementation of lockdown due to COVID-19 pandemic.

In view of prevailing Covid-19 pandemic situation, the TCC in its 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th and 35th meeting has recommended a time overrun for 15 ongoing projects. The details are given in Annexure-2.

For the extended period, the payment will be as per Schedule of Charges applicable during the original approved period of the project.

Decision of EC:

EC approved the time overrun for projects (Annexure-2) without cost overrun.

(Action: NMET)

5. Agenda 22.5: Time extension and correction in work component [Technical Supervision and Quality Control (TSQC)] for the GSI project "Interpretation of Legacy data and TS-QC consultancy".

Shri R. S. Garkhal, Director General, GSI, has conveyed thatthe project was approved in 9th EC meeting held on 8th August, 2018 with estimated cost of ₹3.37 Cr for engaging a consultant for Interpretation of Legacy data and TS-QC consultancy and follow-up for Heliborne survey.

The two milestones [work component-1 and 2] were completed in January, 2020. The remaining two milestones are linked to the approval of Heliborne survey by EC and data acquisition during the Heliborne Survey. The approval for Heliborne survey was accorded by EC in 19th meeting held on 26th March, 2021 and milestone 3 and 4 will be taken up by the TS-QC consultant.

Further, there was typographical error in the fourth work component of the said proposal i.e. instead of 50,000 L km, 55,000 L km was in advertently mentioned in the proposal of GSI and same was forwarded to NMET. Accordingly, the financial sanction was accorded for TSQC of 55,000 L km at an estimated cost of

₹1,55,00,000/-.

Hence, GSI requested for time extension of 31 months [from May, 2020 to November, 2022] for completion of remaining two [3 and 4] milestones without any financial impact and correction in the figure of TSQC of 55,000 L km need to be revised to 50,000 L km at the cost of ₹1,55,00,000/-.

Decision of EC:

EC approved the time overrun of project without cost overrun for 31 months [from May, 2020 to November, 2022] and correction in the figure of TSQC to 50,000 L km at cost of ₹1,55,00,000/-.

(Action: NMET)

6. Agenda 22.6: Cancellation/pre-closer of approved projects.

The Chairman, TCC has conveyed that in 34th TCC meeting held on 28th and 29th October, 2021 recommended two projects for cancellation of DGM Chhattisgarh and one project for pre-closer of MECL.

6.1 Cancellation of Projects-

i. **Preliminary exploration (G3) for bauxite in Murtadand Block, District: Surguja, Chhattisgarh.** (approved in 8th EC with estimated cost of ₹47.58 Lakhs for time schedule of 8 months.)
ii. **Preliminary exploration (G3) for bauxite in Lurena Block, District: Surguja, Chhattisgarh.** (approved in11th EC with estimated cost ₹112.18 Lakhs for time schedule of 12 months).

DGM, Chhattisgarh has informed that the exploration work in the Lurena and Murtadand bauxite blocks could not be initiated due to local resistance and law and order issue in the area and requested to surrender these two blocks as initiation of survey and exploration work is difficult.

6.2 Pre-closure of project-

General exploration (G2) for Iron ore in BRH Iron Ore Mines, NEB Range M/s RMMPL, ML No. 2010, District: Ballari, Karnataka.

The project was approved in 6th EC with estimated cost **₹1004.16 Lakhs** with timeline for the completion of the project was 09.09.2021.

EC was also informed that MECL has been completed a total of 557m RC drilling (6 completed Bhs) & 1544m Core drilling (16 closed Bhs) against approved drilling meterage of 3495m. MECL, is not able to continue the exploration work further due to non-availability of forest clearance.

Shri D. K. Sinha, Director, AMD brought out the difficulty experience in exploration work due to forest clearance.

The Secretary (Mines) requested Director, AMD to send a separate proposal to Ministry of Mines on the issue for taking up with MoEF&CC. He requested Director, AMD to also take up the matter directly with MoEF&CC.

Decision of EC:

- EC approved the cancellation of the two projects of DGM, Chhattisgarh [(i) Preliminary exploration (G3) for bauxite in Murtadand Block, District: Surguja, Chhattisgarh and (ii) Preliminary exploration (G3) for bauxite in Lurena Block,

District: Surguja, Chhattisgarh.

- EC approved pre closure of project "General exploration (G2) for Iron ore in BRH Iron Ore Mines, NEB Range M/s RMMPL, ML No. 2010, District: Ballari, Karnataka" and submit the geological report for G3 exploration report.

(Action: NMET)

7. Agenda 22.7: Procurement of chemical analysis instruments at mineral processing laboratory of Indian Bureau of Mines through assistance from National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET).

Shri Janardan Prasad, Chairman-TCC, conveyed that IBM has proposed for procurement of chemical analysis instruments [Wavelength Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence (WD-XRF) Spectrometer for Rs. 2.5 Cr. (approx.) and Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometer (ICP-MS)] for Rs. 2.5 Cr. (approx.) at mineral processing laboratory of Indian Bureau of Mines through assistance from National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) fund with estimated of Rs. 5.0 Cr. with timeline for one year. Further, in 32nd TCC meeting, TCC expressed that it is an administrative decision for funding of this project through NMET and a clear guideline may be issued by Executive Committee (EC) on funding of such infrastructure project.

Shri Amit Saran, Director & HoD, NMET, informed EC that NMET is under process of revising its guideline with a provision of funding infrastructure of the state's DMGs and Central Government organizations like Geological Survey of India (GSI), Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM).

Shri Sanjay Lohiya, Additional Secretary, Mines, conveyed that IBM doesn't have its own samples, and it provides its service to all the exploration and mining agencies.

Secretary, Mines informed that NMET rules are under modification and provision to include infrastructure development for Laboratories of National organizations/State DGMs are under consideration.

Decision of EC:

EC agreed with the proposal and suggested that after approval of NMET rules, funds be made available for this project.

(Action: NMET)

8. Agenda 22.8: Timeline extension of the ongoing projects recommended by the Technical-cum Cost Committee (TCC) meeting.

Shri Amit Saran, Director & HoD, NMET, conveyed to EC that as the EC meeting is being held in every three-four months, the approval of timeline extension from EC takes time and exploration works of the project gets hampered.

In view of the above, EC may authorize Member Secretary, EC, NMET to approve timeline extension up to one year in respect of the extension recommended for projects by TCC. Timeline extension for projects beyond one year will be obtained from Chairman, EC.

Decision of EC:

EC approved and authorize Member Secretary, EC, NMET to approve timeline extension up to six months in respect of the time extension recommended for projects by TCC and the same will be put up in EC for information. For the projects beyond six months time extension, the approval be given in by the EC .

(Action: NMET)

Meeting ended with vote of thanks by Shri Amit Saran, Director &HoD NMET.

Annexure-1

List of Participants in 22nd EC Meeting held on 22nd December, 2021 at Khanij Kaksh,
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3	Shri R. S. Gharkhal, Director General	Geological Survey of India dg.gsi@gov.in	Member, *Ex officio*
4	Ms. Nirupama Kotru, Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor	Ministry of Mines and Coal jsfa.moc@nic.in	Member, *Ex officio*
5	Dr. D. K. Sinha, Director (AMD)	AMD, Dept. of Atomic Energy, director.amd@gov.in	Member, *Ex officio*
6	Shri Anandji Prasad, Advisor (Project)	Ministry of Coal	Ministry of coal Representative
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10	Shri N. P. Nathan, Dy. DG (Retd) GSI	Exploration Expert, npnathan55@yahoo.co.in	Nominated Member
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Annexure-2

The details of the projects approved for time overrun in the ongoing projects executed by Exploration Agencies through NMET funding.

S. No.	Block/Project	Implementing Agency	Actual Schedule date of completion	Revised/ approved Scheduled Timeline	Required timeline extension (upto)
1	Preliminary exploration (G3) for manganese in Dunguripalli Block, District- Bolangir, Odisha.	MECL	26/07/2020	31/03/2021 17th EC meeting	**31/05/2021**
2	General exploration (G2) for magnesite in Selu Block, District- Udaipur, Rajasthan.	MECL	06/05/2021	06/05/2021	**30/09/2021**
3	Preliminary exploration (G3) for Iron Ore in Silpunji Block in Jamda-Koira Valley, District- West Singhbhum, Jharkhand.	MECL	26/05/2020	26/05/2020	**31/07/2021**
4	General exploration (G2) for copper in Baraganda Block, District- Giridih, Jharkhand.	MECL	26/02/2020	26/02/2020	**31/07/2021**
5	Reconnaissance Survey for limestone in Sangmania Block for limestone, District- Satna, Madhya Pradesh.	DGM, MP	26/11/2020	26/11/2020	**30/09/2021**
6	Interpretation of Legacy data and TS-QC consultancy	GSI	30.04.2020	30.04.2020	**30.11.2022**
7	Reconnaissance Survey for prospect evaluation of the sporadic occurrences of Molybdenite, South of Karimnagar (56 N/4), District- Siddipet and Karimnagar, Telangana.	TSMDC	27.03.2021	27.09.2021 17th EC meeting	**27.06.2022**
8	Veeranam Block-III, Neyveli Lignite field, District-Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu.	MECL	21.02.2020	31.07.2021 15th EC meeting	**31.07.2022**
9	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for copper in Namapur Block of 115 sq km area, District: RajannaSircilla (Erstwhile Karimnagar), Telangana.	MECL	17.11.2021	05.112020 17th EC meeting	**31.12.2021**
10	Preliminary exploration (G3) for Iron Ore in Malangtoli-H block, Districts:	MECL	28.02.2021	05.11.2020 17th EC meeting	**31.03.2021**

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11	Preliminary exploration (G3) for bauxite in Chendradadar Block, District: Kabirdham, Chhattisgarh.	DGM Chhattisgarh	28.02.2021	05.11.2020 17th EC meeting	**30.10.2021**
12	General exploration (G2) for manganese in Pimperkunta block, Bheempurmandal, District: Adilabad, Telangana.	TSMDC	27.09.2021	05.11.2020 17th EC meeting	**27.06.2022**
13	General exploration (G2) for Iron ore in BRH Iron Ore Mines, NEB Range M/s RMMPL, ML No. 2010, District: Ballari, Karnataka.	MECL	09.09.2021	05.11.2020 17th EC meeting	**31.01.2022**
14	General exploration for limestone in Tangeda Limestone Block, Dachepalli (M), District: Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	MERIT, AP	18.04.2019	31.10.2021 20th EC meeting	**31.12.2021**
15	General exploration for limestone in Mutyalampadu-Tangeda Limestone Block, Dachepalli (M), District: Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	MERIT, AP	18.04.2019	31.10.2021 20th EC meeting	**31.12.2021**

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