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Department of Power & Non-Conventional Energy Sources  
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No. 319 -PO/O/ C-IV/IE-60/13 (Part-VA)

Dated: 8.12.2017

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, The Durgapur Projects Limited (DPL) was incorporated as a Company on September 6, 1961 with 100% ownership of Government of West Bengal with the main object of providing basic infrastructural facilities for industries being set up in and around Durgapur town comprising Power Station, Coke Oven Group of Plants, Water Works, Transmission and Distribution network, and

Whereas DPL is a Licensee for distribution of power with a well-defined licensed area within Durgapur sub-division with about 63300 consumers of different categories, has its Power Station presently with installed capacity of 660 MW, its own Transmission & Distribution network comprising six (6) Grid Sub-stations with aggregate capacity of 901 MVA, Transmission Lines, Switching Station etc., a coal mine, recently obtained, namely, Trans Damodar Coal Mine and the Coke Oven Group of Plants (COGP), etc., and

Whereas DPL had been facing issues related to huge accumulated losses, huge liability for repayment of existing loans and advances, high production cost and underutilized capacity for generation, etc. in a sustained manner, and

Whereas consequent upon enactment of The Electricity Act, 2003, actions were initiated for restructuring of all the Government of West Bengal organizations viz., erstwhile WBSEB, WBPDC and DPL and though such restructuring was completed in respect of erstwhile WBSEB and WBPDC, similar action for DPL could not get concluded at that time and as such, both organizational and financial restructuring of DPL remained incomplete, and

Whereas the State Government had constituted a Group of Ministers towards this purpose, who deliberated over the issue by holding several meetings and finally submitted their recommendation to the Government on 9.11.2017, and based upon the same, the State Cabinet in its meeting dated, 27.11.2017 has approved the proposal of restructuring of DPL in the manner detailed below :

1. The existing Government Company namely M/s. The Durgapur Projects Ltd. (DPL) will continue (by name) as DPL in its restructured form.
2. The Durgapur Projects Limited will be a wholly owned subsidiary company of West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited (WBPDC), a public sector company under Government of West Bengal.
3. The power distribution functions, activities and consumers of the Durgapur Projects Limited will be transferred to West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL), a wholly owned public sector company under Government of West Bengal, along with its associated proportionate Assets, Liabilities and Human Resources.
4. The power transmission activities and functions of the Durgapur Projects Limited will be transferred to West Bengal State Electricity Transmission Company Limited (WBSETCL), a wholly owned public sector company under Government of West Bengal, along with its associated proportionate Assets, Liabilities and Human Resources.

5. The regular manpower of the Durgapur Projects Limited (DPL) will be offered the facility of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS), if any employee above 50 years of age is interested to avail of the same on similar lines as has been recently offered in other public sector companies of the State Government.
6. Concerted efforts will be made by DPL, WBPDCCL, WBSEDCL and WBSETCL to introduce best practices through technological upgradation, management initiatives, human resources development, optimal asset utilization and financial re-engineering to provide effective and efficient services to DPL consumers. Towards this end, the regular manpower of DPL could be deputed to WBPDCCL power plants and vice-versa for optimal utilization of human resources.
7. One Transaction Adviser will be engaged by the Department of Power and NES for implementation of the above order.

This Notification is being issued after the necessary concurrence of Finance Department, vide their Group R U.O.No. 0232, dated, 22.11.2017.

This Notification will take immediate effect.

By the Order of the Governor,

*S.K. Gupta*  
8.12.2017

S. K. GUPTA

Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

No. 365(65) -PO/O/ C-IV/1E-60/13 (Part-VA)

Dated: 8.12.2017

Copy forwarded for information and taking necessary action, to :

- 1) The Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal
- 2) The Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister
- 3) The Principal Secretary, Industry, Commerce and Enterprises
- 4) The Principal Secretary, Finance Department
- 5-50) The Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/Secretary -----Department
- 51) The Pr.A.G.(A&E), W.B.
- 52) The Secretary, West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission
- 53) The CMD, WBSEDCL
- 54) The CMD, WBPDCCL
- 55) The MD, WBSETCL
- ✓ 56) The MD, DPL
- 57) The Chief Electrical Inspector, Directorate of Electricity
- 58-63) The Commissioner/ Special Secretary/ Joint Secretary / CCA and Financial Adviser / Assistant Secretary/ Registrar, Power & NES Department
- 64) The Superintendent, B.G. Press, Alipur, with request to publish the Notification in the Kolkata Gazette (Extra-ordinary) at an early date
- 65) Office File