

**Minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee under DMI&SP Policy held 05<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 at 03:00 P.M. in hybrid mode under the Chairmanship of Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary, Ministry of Steel**

List of Participants who attended the meeting is given in Annexure-I.

The Standing Committee is formed under DMI&SP Policy to examine the exclusion request submitted along with sufficient proof of unavailability of domestic manufactured iron and steel products by bidders/company engaged in bidding of projects funded by government agencies.

At the outset, Chairman of the Standing Committee welcomed the participants to the 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee. Based on the issues raised by various procuring agencies, inputs provided by domestic manufacturers and comments of MECON Ltd., Deputy Secretary, M/o Steel, made a brief presentation on the following issues:

**ATR on recommendations of 18<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee:**

**i) Consolidate demand from Director General of Hydrocarbon**

- **Short Drill Pipes and Pup joints:**
- **15 Chrome Premium Threaded Casing (4-1/2" OD)**

**Background:**

In the 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of Standing Committee, it was directed that Director General Hydrocarbon (DGH) may be approached for obtaining information regarding demand by various oil sector companies in the country for aforesaid items. This would enable domestic manufacturers to determine the feasibility of developing the capacity of manufacturing these items domestically.

**Action Taken:**

It was informed that DGH has provided the estimated requirement of Short Drill pipes and 15 Chrome Premium Threaded Casing in the country by various oil sector companies for next five years. The estimated requirement for the next five years is as follows:

<b>SNo</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>2027-28</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	Short Drill Pipes/Pup Joints	190 nos.	196 nos.	175 nos.	174 nos.	174 nos.	<b>915 nos.</b>
2.	15 Chrome Premium Threaded Casing (4-1/2"OD)	Nil	1400 meters	Nil	Nil	Nil	<b>1400 meters</b>

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee directed that the estimated requirements furnished by DGH may be uploaded in public domain for domestic manufactures to look into the feasibility of developing the manufacturing capacity of manufacturing these items indigenously.

**ii) Utilization of R&D Fund to develop 15 Chrome Premium Casing Threads**

It was directed that ONGC may utilize its R&D funds for development of technology for cutting premium threads.

**Discussion:**

ONGC has informed that being an E&P (Exploration and Production) Company, ONGC is mainly engaged in exploration and production of hydrocarbons and related activities. The Drill Collars are used on the drilling rig only and the Premium Threads or Drill Collars are rarely required for few specific applications. These Threads are provided under license from Licensors / licensee and are proprietary in nature.

Being E&P Company, ONGC provides development orders to vendors to boost indigenization of items required for E&P operations and does not engage directly in R&D of such items.

On the issue of supporting domestic manufacturers, ONGC informed that it is providing development orders to companies and in past such measures has resulted in development of certain premium threads by domestic manufacturers such as JSL and MSL.

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee desired that ONGC need not necessarily have its own facility to develop premium thread. However, it may sponsor the vendor(s) who want(s) to develop premium threads, through their R&D funds.

**iii) Share the field trial test report of the development order of 13-3/8" OD, Q-125 Grade Casing.**

It was directed that ONGC to share field trial report with JSL within 3 weeks. ONGC informed that the field trial test report of 13-3/8"OD, Q-125 grade BTC Casing (supplied against development order by M/s JSL) has already been shared with M/s JSL. As per the said report, the performance of the Casing pipes supplied by M/s JSL was found to be unsatisfactory during field trial test. Further, placement of re-development order by ONGC to M/s JSL is under process.

ONGC further informed that present requirement of 9-5/8" OD & 7" OD Q-125 grade premium threaded Casing pipes (for which exemption from DMI&SP Policy is sought) are required for deep water wells of Eastern & Western Offshore wherein 59 wells are to be drilled. In case of approval of exemption from DMI&SP Policy, the tendering process will take 4-5 months with delivery in next 10-11 months. Thus, these casing could only be made available by end of next year i.e. 2024. The delay in availability of these Casing pipes will result in loss of over 0.5 MMT of oil & gas amounting to about INR 3000 crores. In view of above, ONGC requested for early grant of exemption from DMI&SP Policy to procure these items through ICB tender.

M/s JSL informed that they are not agreeing to the failure of 13-3/8" OD, Q-125 grade BTC Casing pipes. However, in order to move ahead, they have accepted for re-development order and requested ONGC for the same.

Further, M/s MSL has informed that they can manufacture the plain end Q-125 grade Casing pipe and can cut the Hunting Seal Lock XD premium thread on those pipes by M/s JHESL, in line with DMI&SP Policy.

M/s MSL also informed that they have been supplying Q-125 grade Casing pipes to ONGC in regular tenders and only cutting of premium thread needs to be outsourced which can be done indigenously through M/s JHESL. M/s MSL has also assured to the Standing Committee that they will deliver these Premium Casing Pipes to ONGC at very earliest (i.e. 3-4 months) considering ONGC's urgent requirement.

ONGC further informed that Make in India preference clause as per Government of India notifications is available in ICB tenders which will be applicable for domestic bidders.

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee directed that if any technical and commercial arrangement between M/s MSL and the approved premium threading vendors does meet the ONGC specifications, till the time of submission of the bids against tenders invited by M/s ONGC, the same will be processed in line with DMIS&P Policy.

**iv) ONGC and JSL to resolve field trial test report issues.**

A joint committee be formed by ONGC and JSL to identify the issues in the field trial test and based on the report of the committee future decisions regarding grant of exemption would be taken.

ONGC informed that the field trial test report of 7"OD, L-80 13 Chrome Casing (supplied against development order by M/s JSL) has already been shared with M/s JSL. A joint meeting of ONGC & JSL was held wherein the failure issues of the said Casing pipes was discussed. M/s JSL was asked to carry out the root cause analysis of failure and needful improvement in manufacturing of the said Casing pipes. Subsequently, M/s JSL requested for placement of re-development order by ONGC which is under process.

**2. General exemption sought by Secretary, MoPNG from the provisions of DMIS&P Policy.**

Secretary (MoPNG) has requested for general exemption for 5 years for the following products used in oil and gas sector stating that these products are technology intensive and with limited requirement thus, not attractive to domestic manufacturers.

<b>Upstream:</b>	<b>Mid and Downstream:</b>
1. Premium Tubing (except 3-1/2" OD & 4-1/2" OD with L-80 grade)	11. A106 Gr.B Carbon Steel Seamless Pipe above 14"

2. 13 Chrome Tubing (Except 3-1/2" OD)	12. A312 Stainless Steel Seamless Pipe above 8"
3. 22/25 Chrome Tubing	13. A335 Alloy Steel Seamless Pipe above 10"
4. Premium Casing pipe (except 7" OD & 9-5/8" OD with L-80 & P-110 grades)	14. A335 Alloy Steel Pipe Seamless with Grade P91
5. 13/15 Chrome Casing pipe	15. Duplex/ Super Duplex Stainless Steel Pipe with Grade 32101, 31550, 32304, 31260, 32760 & Super Austenitic 31254, 9041, Stainless Steel 31050, 310MOLN, Ferritic & Martensitic Grade 420, 430, 446 & 439 and other exotic metallurgies
6. Short Drill Pipe	
7. Heavy Weight Drill Pipe	
8. Drill Collar with Premium Thread	
9. Kelly	
10. Coil Tubing Reel	16. Nickel & Nickel Alloy Grade 600 & 800 series and Monel Grades

It was also informed that considering the sector specific requirements of these items **Department of Expenditure has already granted general relaxation** for floating GTE for tenders up to Rs 200 Crore with the approval of Secretary, MoPNG for critical and recurring items.

#### **Industry's View:**

Based on discussions with the domestic manufacturers aforesaid 16 items were categorized in following three categories:

- **Domestically available:**
  - A106 Gr.B Carbon Steel Seamless Pipe above 14"
  - A312 Stainless Steel Seamless Pipe above 8"
  - A335 Alloy Steel Seamless Pipe above 10"
  - A335 Alloy Steel Pipe Seamless with Grade P91
  - Duplex/ Super Duplex Stainless Steel Pipe with Grade 32101, 31550, 32304, 31260, 32760 & Super Austenitic 31254, 9041, Stainless Steel 31050, 310MOLN, Ferritic & Martensitic Grade 420, 430, 446 & 439 and other exotic metallurgies
  - Nickel & Nickel Alloy Grade 600 & 800 series and Monel Grades
  
- **Domestically available but issue with authorization to cut premium threads:**
  - Premium Tubing (except 3-1/2" OD & 4-1/2" OD with L-80 grade)
  - 13 Chrome Tubing (Except 3-1/2" OD)
  - 22/25 Chrome Tubing

- Premium Casing pipe (except 7" OD & 9-5/8" OD with L-80 & P-110 grades)
- 13/15 Chrome Casing pipe
- Short Drill Pipe
- **Not produced domestically:**
  - Heavy weigh drill pipe,
  - drill collar with premium thread,
  - Kelly and
  - Coil & tubing reel

**Recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee:**

Exemption sought by MoPNG for the Items were segregated in three categories namely (a) not produced domestically, (b) produced domestically but licensing issue and (c) domestically manufactured. The Grievance Redressal Committee is of the view that omnibus exemptions are not in the spirit of DMISP Policy.

**Discussion:**

It was informed that the mid and downstream products are required by EIL and the upstream products are required by ONGC.

**For Domestically available items:**

- EIL informed that the domestic manufacturers of these items have not enlisted with them.
- It was suggested that EIL should have a meeting with domestic manufacturers within 15 days to resolve the issue regarding enlistment.
- It was also recommended that EIL may include Ministry of Steel in the aforesaid meeting. This was agreed by EIL.

**For domestically available but issues with authorization to cut premium threads**

ONGC informed that they are withdrawing the request for exemption for premium tubing and 13 Cr tubing as they are domestically available. Further, ONGC informed that they require premium threads because in deep water wells and in high pressure high temperature wells, premium threads provide better sealing. ONGC further informed that the technology to cut premium thread is available only with a few companies worldwide and Indian manufacturers need to purchase the proprietary license to be able to cut premium threads. JSL has license from Hunting to cut premium threads but the development orders for Q-125 premium casing pipes and 13 Cr casing pipes were not found to be satisfactory by ONGC.

MSL informed that they have the capacity to supply the casing pipes from 4-1/2" OD to 13-3/8" OD upto highest grade of Q125 as per API 5CT and is approved by ONGC. MSL also informed that to participate in a Tender of ONGC, premium threading license is not required as per ONGC Tender conditions. Therefore, they can supply the Premium Casing Pipes upto Q-125 Grade by arranging Premium Threads on Job work basis.

Jindal Hunting Energy submitted that threading process is independent of pipe manufacturing process and should not be linked together. In support of this it was informed that Hunting only has threading facility and not pipe manufacturing facility.

ONGC stated that to be considered as developed source pipe manufacturers have to opt for field trial test route. For all the items which have been approved by ONGC through field trial test route, ONGC opts for domestic tender and procurers the item from domestically even if a single bidder participates in the tender.

On the issue of whether field trial is necessary if grade is already approved, DGH commented that as this is a commercial matter, it falls in the purview of ONGC.

Standing committee directed ONGC that if Domestic Manufacturer is able to meet ONGC tender's condition, DMI&SP Policy shall be applicable.

ONGC informed that 5-1/2" OD domestically available and approved by ONGC, exception for this size is not longer required. And since the field trial of Q125 grade premium casing was not satisfactory, exemption is also requested for all sizes of Q125 grade premium casing.

On the issue of 13/15 Chrome casing pipe, ONGC informed that the development order for 13 Chrome casing pipe was not satisfactory and for 15 Chrome casing pipe, there are no domestic manufacturers.

For short drill pipes, ONGC informed that JSL and MSL participate for long drill pipes and not for short drill pipes.

JSL informed that short drill pipes can be provided through machining route and it is awaiting response from ONGC for development order.

ONGC informed that the sizes mentioned by JSL do not fall under the API grades. This proposal is being technically evaluated and decision would be taken based on the report of the technical team.

JSL informed that for mechanical properties, JSL would comply with requirements of API. And would share the details with ONGC.

### **Not produced domestically:**

It was informed by domestic manufacturers that due to very small quantity of Heavy weight drill pipe, Drill collar with premium thread, Kelly and coil & tubing reel manufacturing them are not commercially viable for them. Parveen Industries informed that they are keen to manufacture Heavy weight drill pipe, Drill collar with premium thread and Kelly if ONGC can assure regular business. ONGC suggested that Parveen Industries should apply for Development Order or through the field trial test route by seeking development order first.

### **Recommendation of Standing Committee**

It was recommended by Standing Committee that i.r.o. items mentioned at SI.11 to 16, since the Domestic capability is available, EIL is to reach out the

manufacturers within 15 days and based on the outcome of the meeting formal minutes should record and shared with MoS, for further action.

S.NO.	PRODUCT	RECOMMENDATION OF STANDING COMMITTEE:
<b>UPSTREAM</b>		
1	Premium Tubing: (Except 3-1/2" OD and 4-1/2" OD with L-80 grade	Since Domestic Capacity is available ONGC has withdrawn their request.
2	13 Chrome Tubing: (Except 3-1/2" OD)	Since Domestic Capacity is available ONGC has withdrawn their request.
3	22/25 Chrome tubing	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
4	Premium Casing Pipe (Except 7" OD and 9-5/8" OD with L-80 and P-110 grades)	Since Domestic Capacity is available NO Exemption can be given.
5	13/15 Chrome casing pipe	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
6	Short drill pipe	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
7	Heavy Weight Drill Pipe	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
8	Drill Collar with Premium Thread	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
9	Kelly	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
10	Coil and tubing Reel	NO Domestic Manufacturer is available, Standing Committee granted exemption till December'2024
<b>Mid and Downstream</b>		
11	A106 Gr.B Carbon Steel Seamless Pipes above 14"	During the Meeting Domestic Manufacturers have confirmed that they have the capability in certain items. In view of the same Standing committee has directed EIL to conduct a Meeting
12	A312 Stainless Steel Seamless Pipes above 8"	

13	A335 Alloy Steel Seamless Pipes above 10"	with Domestic Manufacturer and update this list accordingly. EIL is also directed to share minutes of that meeting with this Ministry.
14	A335 Alloy Steel Pipe Seamless with Grade P91	
15	Duplex/Super Duplex Stainless Steel Pipe with Grade 32101, 31550, 32304, 31260, 32760 and Super Austenitic 31254, 904L, Stainless steel 31050, 310MoLN, Ferritic and Martensitic Grade 420, 430, 446 and 439 and other exotic metallurgies	
16	Nickle and Nickle grade 600 and 800 series and Monel grade	

### 3. Clarification sought by ONGC on procurement of hollow drill bars (for supply of Drill collars) from foreign supplier for Government Procurement.

- M/s ONGC had placed an order for procurement of Drill Collars (571 Nos; Rs 26.92 Crore) on M/s Parveen Industries. Further, an order of additional quantity of 91 drill collars was placed on M/s Parveen on 24.03.2023.
- M/s Parveen Industries **imported hollow drill bars (HSN Code 7228) from China** to manufacture Drill Collars (HSN Code 8431). And has informed that 35% value addition was carried out by them
- The product was inspected by Third Party Inspection (TPI) and accepted & approved by ONGC. And **the material is ready for dispatch.**
- M/s Parveen Industries has informed that they have registered on the SIMS portal **citing unavailability of the product domestically** and received approval for import on 20.01.2023.
- M/s ONGC has sought **clarification whether import of hollow drill bars from China to manufacture Drill Collars as finished product comply with DMI&SP Policy.**
- Domestic manufacturers have confirmed that the specifications required by M/s Parveen Industries are not available in the country.

### Recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee

It was recommended that ex-post facto approval may be given to M/s Parveen Industries to import hollow drill bars from China for both the orders. It was further stated that the approval was given strictly on non-availability of the product domestically and to hand hold the industry in this specific extraordinary case. This is to be considered as a one-time exemption only and shall not constitute precedent in future. It is also clarified



that mere registration on SIMS portal shall not be constituted as approval of Ministry for importing items covered under DMI&SP policy.

### **Discussion**

- Parveen Industries informed that the hollow drill bars have been imported from the vendor from which ONGC has procured in the past.
- It was again stated that registration on SIMS portal is not considered as approval of Ministry of Steel under DMI&SP Policy.
- AIA, Ministry of Steel pointed out that prior approval of Ministry of Steel is necessary for importing items covered under QCO. And permission is granted if there are no domestic manufacturers.
- DS, Ministry of Steel pointed out that under DMI&SP policy also prior approval is required for items mentioned in the appendix A of the policy.
- ONGC is seeking clarification whether the value addition needs to be done in manufacturing of hollow drill bars or after that.
- On issue of domestic value addition, ONGC has informed that it is difficult to access value addition on the finished product. Also, no import bill has been shared by Parveen Industries.

### **Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

It was recommended by Standing Committee that ex post facto approval for import of Hollow Drill Bars for the initial order of 571 nos only may be given to M/s Parveen Industries as an exception keeping in view of non-availability of Hollow Drill Bars domestically and requirement of this product by ONGC. It was reinstated that mere registration on SIMS portal shall not be constituted as approval of Ministry for importing items covered under DMI&SP policy. Further, it was directed that Division looking after DMI&SP policy should examine whether any transgression/violation of rules has taken place, and if so, come up with corrective measures for the same.

For future procurement (if any) Parveen Industry is directed to approach Ministry of Steel for prior approval to import the iron & steel products mentioned in Appendix A of DMI&SP policy.

#### **4. Exemption sought by M/s ONGC for GTE of items**

ONGC has sought exemption for Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for following products:

##### **i) Procurement of Premium Casing & Accessories**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Qty (MT)</b>
1	16" OD L-80 (Premium/BTC),	116
2	13-3/8" OD L-80,	146
3	13-3/8" OD P-110	272

4	7" OD P-110 (for HPHT wells)	106
<b>Total</b>		<b>640 MT</b>

**Discussion:**

ONGC informed that these Casing pipes are required for Exploratory deep water wells of Eastern Offshore and Cauvery Basin. It was further informed that Premium Casing & Accessories are used for gas wells, high-pressure wells, as well as for wells producing corrosive effluents. It offers a metal-to-metal seal for improved high pressure seal integrity. Thus, the requirement of these Premium casing and accessories is very critical for production operations of ONGC. Since there is no domestic manufacturer is available for 16" OD Casing pipes and authorization/license for cutting any of the ONGC approved premium thread on 13-3/8" OD L-80, 13-3/8" OD P-110 and 7" OD P-110 (for HPHT wells), exemption from DMI&SP Policy has been sought.

- M/s JSL informed that the 16" size is not in their manufacturing scope.
- M/s MSL also informed that they don't have capacity to produce this item. They stated that they can manufacture up to 20" OD but L80 and BTC are not in their manufacturing range.
- M/s ISMT informed that the said item is not into their manufacturing range.
- None of the domestic manufacturer is having authorisation/license for cutting any of the ONGC approved premium thread on 13-3/8" OD L-80, 13-3/8" OD P-110 and 7" OD P-110 (for HPHT wells).

**Recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee**

As there are no domestic manufacturers, Grievance Redressal Committee recommended to grant one-time exemption to M/s ONGC for procurement of 16" OD L-80 (Premium/BTC) and decided to place the matter before the Standing Committee under DMI&SP Policy for consideration along with the 3 other sizes for which the waiver was granted in the 19th Grievance Redressal Committee meeting.

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee recommended **one time exemption** to ONGC for procurement of 16" OD L-80 (Premium/BTC), 13-3/8" OD L-80, 13-3/8" OD P-110 and 7" OD P-110 (for HPHT wells) Premium Casing & Accessories through GTE.

**ii) Procurement of Premium Casing & Accessories**

S.No.	Item	Qty (MT)
1	9-5/8" OD Q-125,	8547
2	7" OD Q-125 &	5246
3	5-1/2" OD P-110	236
<b>Total</b>		<b>14029 MT</b>

**Background:**

It was informed that the issue of granting waiver for procurement of these 3 items through GTE was deliberated in the 18th meeting of Standing Committee (held on 20.03.2023) wherein it was decided **not to grant exemption for procurement of Q125 grade items through GTE** and ONGC directed to first share the field trial testing report of 13- 3/8" OD, Q-125 grade Casing with M/s JSL. In the same meeting, **one-time exemption was granted for procurement of 5-1/2" OD P-110 (Qty: 1630 MT) for the FY 2023-24.**

M/s ONGC has informed that due to increase in work plan additional quantity of these Casing is required.

**Industry's View:**

M/s JSL have informed that the development order for 13-3/8" Q125 grade was not accepted by ONGC as per field trial test report. Subsequently, M/s JSL has requested for fresh development order as they have the capability to manufacture Q 125 grade.

Further, M/s JSL informed that they have the capability to manufacture 5-1/2" OD P-110 grade Casing pipes and have authorization/license to cut one of the ONGC approved premium connection i.e. Hunting Seal Lock XD. Hence, the same can be supplied to ONGC by M/s JSL.

M/s ONGC informed that the failure report of 13-3/8" Q-125 BTC Casing was shared with M/s JSL and meeting of technical teams of M/s ONGC and M/s JSL was also held. It was confirmed by ONGC that M/s JSL has applied for fresh development

order for the said Casing pipes which is under process, therefore exemption may be granted for procurement of 9-5/8" OD Q-125 and 7" OD Q-125 to continue its operations.

M/s MSL has informed that they are approved to supply the required pipes (9-5/8" Q125 and 7" Q125) and are regularly supplying pipes of same grade in higher diameter with BTC thread. On the issue of premium connection, M/s MSL informed that premium connection can be cut through M/s JHESL as they have authorization/license to cut one of the ONGC approved premium connection i.e. Hunting Seal Lock XD.

M/s ONGC has requested that waiver may be granted and if developed, M/s MSL may participate in the ICB tender wherein Make in India (MII) preference clause as per Government of India notifications is available for domestic bidders.

On issue of competition faced by domestic manufacturers in ICB, AS(RCG) emphasized that role of DMI&SP policy is to support the domestic manufacturers so that eventually domestic companies become competitive even at international level.

M/s JSL suggested that the pipes may be sourced from M/s MSL and M/s JSL can cut the premium threads and supply to ONGC. As M/s JSL have the premium connection facility available in India and M/s MSL has the grade qualification, thus, the whole product would be available domestically.

Representatives from both M/s JSL and M/s MSL agreed that such an arrangement can be made. A formal communication in this regard was submitted to the Ministry by M/s MSL on 15.06.2023.

**Recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee:**

As there are no domestic manufacturers yet, Grievance Redressal Committee recommended to grant one-time exemption to M/s ONGC for procurement of these items and decided to place the matter before the Standing Committee under DMI&SP Policy for consideration. Also, it was directed that the fresh development order is to be

placed by end of July 2023 and by December 2023 both parties should agree on the field trial report.

Further, on the issue of M/s JSL and M/s MSL joining hands to manufacture the product domestically, Grievance Redressal Committee suggested that such relationships ought to be forged beforehand. As this is only a one-time waiver and M/s JSL & M/s MSL must work out their business relationship in the meantime.

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee recommended **exemption** to ONGC for procurement of **1) 9-5/8" OD Q-125 2) 7" OD Q-125 Premium Casing & Accessories** through GTE with provisions of MII preference clause as per Govt. of India notifications for the present requirement during 2023-24 subject to the following conditions:

M/s MSL or any of the domestic manufacturers will submit relevant documents to ONGC in support of their capability to manufacture & supply said items i.e. 1) 9-5/8" OD Q-125 and 2) 7" OD Q-125 Premium Casing & Accessories. On evaluation of those documents by ONGC, if any of the domestic manufacturers is found to be technically acceptable, then for that item, DMI&SP Policy also needs to be applied in ONGC tender even if the exemption from DMI&SP Policy has been granted by Ministry of Steel.

With respect to 3) **5-1/2" OD P-110 grade premium Casing and accessories**, Standing Committee decided **not to grant exemption** for procurement through GTE as JSL has capability to manufacture the said item domestically.

**iii) Procurement of 13 Chrome Premium Casings and Accessories**

S.No.	Item	Qty (MT)
1	9-5/8" OD L-80 (for HPHT wells)	1806
2	7" OD L-80	54
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1860 MT</b>

**Background:**

ONGC informed that due to increase in work plan the overall requirement of for these items has increased to 4020 MT (2160MT + 1860 MT). For 2160 MT, waiver

from provisions of DMI&SP Policy for the year 2023-24 was granted in the 18th Meeting of the Standing Committee (held on 20.03.2023). It was further informed that 1860 MT of additional quantity is still required to ensure smooth operations.

**Industry's View:**

M/s JSL has informed that as of now they are not a developed source.

M/s MSL has also confirmed that the product is outside their manufacturing range.

**Recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee:**

As there are no domestic manufacturers, Grievance Redressal Committee recommended to grant one-time exemption to M/s ONGC for procurement of additional quantity of above two items and decided to place the matter before the Standing Committee under DMI&SP Policy for consideration. It was also directed that the development order may be placed by end of July 2023 and the whole process be completed by end of November 2023.

**Discussion:**

JSL has requested for redevelopment order for 7" OD 13 Cr casing.

**Recommendation of Standing Committee:**

Standing Committee recommended to grant **one time exemption** to ONGC for procurement of 1) 9-5/8" OD L-80 13 Chrome (for HPHT wells) & 2) 7" OD L-80 13 Chrome Premium Casing & Accessories through GTE **till Dec-2024** and redevelopment order to be placed by end of July, 2023.

**iv) Procurement of Premium Tubing & Accessories**

S.No.	Item	Qty
1	2-7/8" OD P-110	150 MT
2	3-1/2" OD P-110	700 MT
<b>Total</b>		<b>850 MT</b>

With respect to above mentioned Premium Tubing and Accessories at S. No. 1) & 2), ONGC informed that the exemption from DMI&SP Policy for above mentioned Tubings is **not required due to availability of domestic capability** and indigenous

tenders have been floated to procure these tubings. Hence the request for exemption is being withdrawn.

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## **Annexure-I**

List of attendees in the 19th Standing Committee under DMI&SP Policy, held on 05th July, 2023 at 03:00 P.M. in hybrid mode under the Chairpersonship of Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary (Steel), Ministry of Steel.

### **Members of Standing Committee**

1. Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary (Steel) – Chairman
2. Smt. Sukriti Likhi, AS&FA, M/o Steel
3. Shri Kumud Ranjan Sr. General Manager (MW), MECON Ltd.
4. Shri Parmjeet Singh, Addl.I.A.
5. Shri Devidatta Satapathy, Director, M/o Steel
6. Shri G. Sarthy Raja, Deputy Secretary, M/o Steel

### **Present**

7. Shri Arun Kumar Kailoo, Director, M/o Steel

### **Representatives from organizations/ associations**

- Shri Sandeep Gupta, ED - Chief MM, ONGC Ltd
- Shri M K Agrawal, CGM, ONGC Ltd.
- Shri Sanjiv Dheer, Global Head Marketing, Jindal Saw Limited
- Shri Avnish Kumar, Sr. GM, Jindal Saw Limited
- Shri Hemant Matreja, DGM, MSL
- Shri Shiv Kumar Singhal, President (Commercial), MSL
- Ms. Bintyma Sharma, GM (C&P), Oil India Ltd.
- Shri Rakesh Dikshit, Praveen Industries
- Shri Suresh Batra, Advisor, M/s Praveen Industries
- Shri A.S. Kadam, Marketing Manager, M/s Praveen Industries
- Shri R.K. Kureel, Director, MoPNG
- Shri Vikas Jhuntra, President, Jindal Hunting Energy Services Ltd.
- Shri J.P. Singh, DGM, Director General of Hydrocarbon
- Shri Vijay Kaul, Regional Head, M/s Ratnamani
- Shri Vipul Sutaria, Welspun
- Shri Kailash Kumar, Engineer India Ltd.
- Shri Amit Sengupta

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