

**Minutes of the 12th meeting of the Standing Committee on DMI&SP Policy, held on 11/03/2020 at 03.30 p.m. under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Rasika Chaube, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Steel**

1. List of Officers who attended the meeting is enclosed as *Annexure –I*.
2. At the outset, Chairperson of the Standing Committee welcomed the participants to the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee. Director, M/o Steel made a brief presentation highlighting the issues raised by M/s ONGC and Jindal Saw Ltd.

**Issues raised by Jindal Saw Limited**

3. Representative of Jindal Saw Ltd (JSL) stated that ONGC has floated the International tender no. ZNCLC20001 on 13/02/2020 for the procurement of premium casing pipes & cross overs with due date 27.02.2020 which was later extended to 05/-3/2020. ONGC has floated the tender for 27314 tons consisting of 14 groups. Jindal Saw Ltd. has requested that they have the capability to manufacture 17978 Tons (4 groups out of 14 groups) and may be allowed to bid under DMI&SP Policy and due date may be extended by another 4 weeks. JSL submitted the following details of the 4 groups of steel products:

<b>Group</b>	<b>Size &amp; specification</b>	<b>Quantity (T)</b>
1-A	Premium casing pipe, 9-5/8", L-80, 47 PPF	14341
2- A	Premium casing pipe, 9-5/8", P-110, 47 PPF	989
4-A	Premium casing 7", P-110, 29 PPF	1651
5-A	Premium casing 7" , P-110, 35 PPF	997
	Total	17978

4. ONGC requested the committee that after taking out the 4 groups for which JSL has the capability, one time waiver for the current tender consisting of remaining 10 groups may be provided so that they can take the tendering process forward.
5. MSL also stated that they had the capability to supply for 3 more groups other than the above 4 groups but due to dissolution of existing license agreement with the international technology provider, they lost the capability. However, same is being revived and they assured that within next 2-3 weeks, they will be in a position to develop capability following agreement with the international technology collaborator and would be eligible to bid under DMI&SP policy.

6. After due deliberation, standing committee granted one time waiver for the current tender for the remaining 10 groups to ONGC for procurement from global sources. Further it was also decided to withdraw the exemption granted to ONGC for 4 group of products related to premium casings & pipes as covered in the table under point no. 3.

### **Issue raised by ONGC Limited**

7. ONGC stated that Regular Casing Pipes i.e. 14” & 16” OD of different grades are required for their offshore field of ONGC. There is no established domestic manufacturer available.

8. Further in the previous tender for 14” (floated in 2017) size and 16” (floated in 2011) no domestic manufacture had participated.

9. Domestic manufacturers MSL and Jindal Saw were approached by ONGC for supply of these odd size casing pipes. However, they have expressed their inability to supply the same, as of now.

10. Accordingly ONGC requested Standing committee to grant exemption for the procurement of regular casing of 14” & 16” OD size and accessories from foreign manufacturers.

11. This issue was discussed in the meeting of Grievance Committee held on 04-03-2020, Grievance Committee recommended that since domestic manufacturers are not able to manufacture the 14” & 16” OD regular casing pipes, therefore one time exemption (one tender) may be granted to ONGC for the procurement of 14” & 16” OD regular casing pipes. The committee decided to place before Standing Committee for final decision.

12. In view of the representatives of M/s MSL and Jindal Saw confirming that they are not able to manufacture the 14” & 16” OD regular casing pipes, as of now, the standing committee granted one time waiver to ONGC for one tender for procurement from global sources.

13. Similarly for 13 chrome or higher Premium thread casing pipes & accessories, as domestic capability does not exist and domestic bidders did not seek the development order immediately, the standing committee granted one time waiver to ONGC for one tender for its procurement from global sources.

**List of the officers attended the 12<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee on DMI&SP Policy, held on 11.03.2020 at 03-30 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Smt. Rasika Chaube, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Steel**

**Members of Standing Committee**

- 1) Smt. Rasika Chaube, Additional Secretary, M/o Steel
- 2) Shri Atul Bhatt, CMD, MECON Ltd.
- 3) Dr. T. Mukherjee, Technical Expert
- 4) Shri P.S Purkayastha, OSD/MoS and I/C ERU

**Ministry of Steel**

- 1) Dr. Neeraj Agarwal, Director, M/o Steel
- 2) Shri Parmjeet Singh, Additional AIA, M/o Steel
- 3) Shri S.K. Mohanty, Under Secretary, M/o Steel
- 4) Shri Satish Kumar, Section Officer, M/o Steel
- 5) Shri Kamal Kishore, ASO, M/o Steel

**Representatives from Organizations/ Associations**

- 1) Shri Alok Sahay, ED, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
- 2) Shri Anindya Chakladao, GM(Mktg), Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
- 3) Shri A.K. Agarwal, CGM(TS), MECON Limited
- 4) Shri A.P. Tripathi, ED, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
- 5) Shri Neeraj Kumar, GGM (MM), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
- 6) Shri Naveen Kumar Jain, GGM (D), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
- 7) Shri M.K. Agarwal, GM (P), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
- 8) Shri S.Sarkar, Group VP, Maharashtra Seamless Limited (MSL)
- 9) Shri Sanjiv Dheer, Global Head (Mktg & Sales), Jindal Saw Limited
- 10) Shri Neeraj Kumar Group CEO & Director, Jindal Saw Limited.

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