Government of India
Ministry of Railways
(Railway Board)

No. 2002/LMB/18/1. **New Delhi, 03.05.06.**

The Chief Track Engineer,
Eastern Railway,
Kolkata.

The Chief General Engineer,
East Central Railway,
Hajipur.

The Chief Mining Advisor,
Dhanbad-826001 (Jharkhand).

Sub: Administrative control on Organisation of Chief Mining Advisor, Dhanbad.

Minutes of the meeting held with CTE/ER, CGE/ECR and CMA/Dhanbad held on 27th April 2006 in Railway Board on the above subject are sent herewith for information and further necessary action.

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Railway Board.

DA;As above.

Minutes of the meeting held with CTE/ER, CGE/ECR and Chief Mining Adv.(CMA)/Dhanbad on 27.4.06 in Railway Board.

The following officers were present:-

1. R.P. Gupta, Advisor (L&A), Railway Board.
2. Ashok Gupta, Executive Director (L&A), Railway Board.
3. L.M. Jha, Chief Track Engineer, Eastern Railway.
4. B.P. Gupta, Chief General Engineer, East Central Railway.
5. N.R. Saha, Chief Mining Advisor, Dhanbad.

1. **Transfer of Administrative Control from ER to ECR**- Board vide their letter No.2002/LMB/18 dt. 10.4.05 had conveyed the decision to place the organization of CMA/Dhanbad under Administrative control of GM/ECR, consequent upon creation of new zone. However, ER is yet to transfer administrative control to ECR leading to a number of problems as highlighted under CMAs letter dt. 8.3.06. An MOU for this purpose was forwarded to ECR by ER duly signed by ER officers but ECR has still not signed the same. CGE/ECR stated that the main issue was with regard to the posting of new CMA (JAG) and one senior scale(SS) officer by ECR, as being insisted upon by ER who wanted to withdraw existing officers after the transfer. CGE/ECR stated that they are presently having shortage of JAG/SS officers and would therefore like the ER officers serving in the CMA/Dhanbad office to continue till alternative arrangements can be made by ECR. *It was decided that these officers would continue for a period upto one year after the transfer during which time ECR would make the necessary postings from their cadre.* CGE/ER also drew attention to one of the clauses in the MOU which created ambiguity regarding continuation of all the staff of CMA/Dhanbad's office after the transfer to ECR. It was agreed by CTE/ER that all these staff, who actually belong to a separate cadre of CMA/Dhanbad's office, would continue as before, even after transfer to administrative control to ECR.

Accordingly, *CGE/ECR was directed to ensure that the MOU is signed and transfer of administrative control is affected within a week's time of receipt of these minutes.*

2. **Signing of agreements**- This is regarding who, on behalf of respective Zonal Rlys, should sign the concerned agreements, i.e. CTEs or CGEs/CPDEs. It was decided that CGEs/CPDEs /CE/Works (looking after the land subject as the case may be) would sign the agreements(as also opined by AM/CE on file). However, this would be routed through CTEs of the concerned railway in view of the safety aspects involved in mining operations with respect to track.

3. **Change in the name of CMA/Dhanbad** – It was decided that the name would be restored to the original name viz., " **Chief Mining Advisor, Railway Board, Dhanbad**" as the name had been changed by the then Dy. CE/Track Safety)/Dhanbad in 2002 without approval of Railway Board. This is also justified keeping in view the all India character of the organization, which has jurisdiction over all mining activity within 45 Mtrs of Railway Boundary anywhere on IR.

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