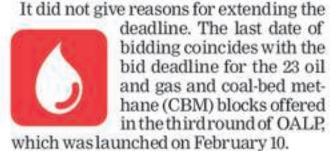
OALP-II: Deadline to Bid for 14 Oil Blocks Extended to Apr 10

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New Delhi: The government has deferred by one month the last date for bidding for the 14 oil and gas exploration blocks offered in the second round of Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP). Bids for the 14 blocks offered in OALP-II bid round, covering an area of 29,333 square kilometres, were to close Tuesday.

"Bid submission closing date for OALP Bid Round-II stands extended up to April 10, 2019," the Directorate General of Hydrocarbon (DGH) said in a brief notice.



OALP-II bid round was delayed at six months and its launch came barely a month before the third round. Officials said OALP-III and OALP-III

will run concurrently. Oil minister Dharmendra Pradhan had at the time of launch of OALP-II bid round on January 7 stated that an investment of about ₹40,000 crore is expected in the prospecting of oil and gas in blocks offered. In the first round of OALP last year, as much as ₹60,000 crore was committed in the exploration of oil and gas in 55 blocks or areas.

GSTN to Give Info on Tax Liability Declared, **Input Credit Claimed**

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New Delhi: The GST Network on Tuesday said businesses registered under GST can now compare the tax liability declared as well as input tax credit claimed in their final and summary sales returns forms. The GSTN, which handles the technology backbone for the new indirect tax, has provided a facility to the taxpayers to view and download a report on tax liability as declared in their form GSTR-1(final sales return) and as declared and paid in their return filed in form GSTR-3B (summary sales return).

While GSTR-1 for a month is filed by the 11th day of the succeeding month, GSTR-3B is filed and taxes paid by the 20th day of the succeeding month.

GSTN, in a statement said, since GSTR-1 and GSTR-3B are filed independent of each other, a need was felt to provide facility to view liability declared in both the forms at one place. The new facility enables the taxpayers to view these two liabilities in one table for each return period at one place, which can be compared.

Export Index for States On Anvil to Boost Competition

States to be ranked on criteria like infrastructure, policies to determine their readiness for exports

Yogima Seth Sharma & Kirtika Suneja

New Delhi: Government think tank Niti Aayog and the commerce ministry are working on an index to rank states on their readiness for exports and promote a healthy competition among them, senior officials said.

The export index will rank states on half-a-dozen key parameters, including their policies, ease of doing business, infrastructure, access to finance, and output, which will assess the overall export market and exports from each state.

A senior government official said there will be 30-40 parameters under the six main sub-heads, based on international trade parameters but tweaked to Indian scenario.

"The government is seized of the benefit," he added. fact that if India intends to increase its exports and subsequently its share of global trade, we will have to improve the export readiness of ti-competitive practices and role states," he told ET. "Hence, the whole idea of an export index is to make states more competitive."

According to the official, export policies of various states are be-

In The Works **EXERCISE AIMED** THE EXPORT index at assessing the will be rolled out export market and by Niti Aayog in Indude product of exports collaboration with Existing export in each state commerce ministry policies INDICATORS IN DRAFT STATES LIKELY to Ease of doing place to raise LOGISTICS be ranked on 30-40 issues such as policy parameters under Access to finance truck stoppages, also seeks six main sub-heads anti-competitive to ease Export output based on global practices bottlenecks trade criteria affecting exports INDIA AIMS TO INCREASE ITS EXPORTS AND SUBSECUENTLY ITS SHARE OF GLOBAL TRADE

ing studied to identify the best practices. "We will also collate the best practices as part of the first report to help other states

The commerce department has identified indicators to reflect issues such as truck stoppages, anof intermediaries affecting exports. These preliminary indicators will be based on efficiency in processes, ease of arranging logistics, quality of infrastructu-

re, adherence to time lines, competence and quality of logistic operators. They will provide qualitative and quantitative assessment of the logistics available to export consignments. The draft logistics policy also seeks to ease bottlenecks.

While computing the index, Aayog will seek inputs from trade bodies like Export-Import Bank of India, and Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, besides different divisions of the commerce mini-

stry including Director General of Foreign Trade.

Aayog has been aggressively moving towards outcome-based monitoring and has been in the process of ranking states on key indices like health, education, water composite index, and agriculture, much in line with its role of promoting competitive and cooperative federalism.

The government expects India's merchandise exports to grow 7.3% year on year to \$325 billion in 2018-19. The growth rate would be lower than 9.8% clocked in 2017-18 due to factors including muted growth of traditional exports such as gems and jewellery, farm and engineering, a liquidity crunch, and global factors. India's exports stood at \$303 billion in 2017-18.

Trade has been a top priority for the government. However, infrastructure bottlenecks, high transaction costs and manufacturing constraints continue to be big challenges for exports.

With the implementation of goods and services tax, however, India has become a unified market, subsuming more than a dozen federal and provincial levies, free-

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and 56% multiple.

Move in line with past

decision when oil PSUs

making appointments

during election season

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New Delhi: State oil companies

have paused the process to appo-

int dealers for about 50,000 petrol

pumps following the release of

election schedule to avoid any po-

tential political landmine ahead

of polls, people familiar with the

Indian Oil, Bharat Petroleum

and Hindustan Petroleum have

been seeking to appoint petrol

pump dealers at about 78,500 lo-

cations across the country. The

advertisements went out in No-

vember and applications have al-

ready been received. In all, 95% of

locations received interest with

39% getting single application

The three companies have alre-

nation of bids,

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Appointing new dealers at time of polls quite risky as it makes cos vulnerable to accusations

matter said.

applicants have received letters of intent (LoI) or a formal appointment letter by companies.

Companies have halted the selection process for the remaining pumps where winners haven't yet been declared, in line with the past election practice, a company executive said, adding that a previous government order barred companies from making appointments during the election season. Companies are also thinking of seeking clarity from the Election

Commission on the matter, another executive said. After the election dates were anmodel code of conduct that bars

Playing Safe

Process to Appoint

Dealers for 50,000

Fuel Pumps Halted

The process to appoint petrol pump dealers by IOC. Bharat Petroleum and HP at about 78,500 locations across country is underway

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Winners for about a third of the locations have been declared

Credentials of winners were being verified

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Oil PSUs MAY seek clarity on issue from EC as model code of conduct is in place

ling party, state oil companies sought the oil ministry's advice on the appointment of petrol pump

The oil ministry officials are understood to have advised companies to seek clarity from the Election Commission.

The government has no direct role in appointing petrol pump dealers these days. It has given state companies the freedom to design their own dealer selection guidelines and appoint dealers in a transparent way. But given the government control of these companies, and the history of controversies that have surrounded past appointments, the oil ministry officials and company executives want to play it safe this time around, people with knowledge of the matter said.

Appointing new dealers during elections is quite risky as it makes companies vulnerable to accusations and can potentially put all such appointments in jeoparnounced Sunday, kicking off a dyshould there be a change in government, the person said. An any major policy decision or pro- Election Commission's nod comise by the government until the uld act as a shield for companies conclusion of polls to prevent against such potential assaults, any undue advantage to the ru-theperson said.

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Coal Imports by State Power Plants Up in FY19

Overseas purchases by gencos doubled to 5.4 MT in first 10 mths from 2.05 MT a year ago

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Kolkata: Coal imports by state government-run power producers were up 2.6-fold in the first 10 months of the current fiscal as domestic supply dwindled, but overseas purchases by private generators and central entities declined 2.5% during the period. Overall imports by thermal plants rose 4.6% to 47.96 million tonnes (MT) in this period.

A senior executive at a state-ownedpower generator said increading period. APPDCL imported ago. TANGEDCO imported 1.2 ti-

sed demand for thermal power forced some of them to step up imports as domestic coal was scarce last summer. The Centre had allowed government-owned generators to import.

According to data compiled by

the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), imports by state-run producers doubled to 5.4 MT during the first 10 months of fiscal 2018-19 from 2.05 MT a year ago. State-owned plants which increased imports were GSECL from Gujarat, APPDCL from Andhra Pradesh and TANGED-CO from Tamil Nadu. Imports by West Bengal, however, declined by 34% during the same period,

last year.

while other states did not import

any coal, neither this year, nor

On the Rise Coal imports by state gencos saw 2.6-fold jump in first 10 months of -0

Domestic supply had dwindled

this fiscal

But procurement by private and central gencos fell 2.5% during this period

GSECL from Gujarat. APPDCL from Andhra Pradesh and TANGEDCO, Tamil Nadu increased imports

GSECL imported 2.16 MT du- 7.05 lakh tonnes between April ring the period, up 2.47 times 2018 and January 2019 — 1.55 tifrom the previous correspon- mes the volume recorded a year

mes more coal this year to 2.5 MT. Central power producers, however, reported a 1.6% drop in imports compared to the yearago period. Three central entities, inclu-

ding NTPC, collectively imported 9.62 lakh tonnes during the period as against 9.78 lakh tonnesa vearago.

Most of the coal imports are done by private power generators and those with plants designed to run on imported coal only. Imports by these producers, too, declined marginally during the period. Plants using only the imported variety bought around 31.62 MT of coal during the period as against 32.76 MT a year ago, posting a 3.5% drop.

Independent private sector power producers, who use a blend of local and foreign coal, imported close to 10.9 MT — 1.3% less than 11.1 MT in the previous period.

Reading & Noting Study by Kantar IMRB, 2018

Done across Mumbai, Bengaluru, Delhi & Gurgaon

Among readers of The Times of India and/or The Economic Times

This estimate is from a sample survey and hence, the outcome has statistical limitations



E-Tender Notice No. CWM-BR-05-2019 Chief Workshop Manager (Bridge)/North Eastern Railway/ Gorakhpur acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tenders for the following works:-SI. E-Tender Earnest Approx. Description of work Tender Value Money CWM-BR- Strengthening of ₹1,08,27,294.60 ₹2,04,100/ 05-2019 Stringers on Br. No. 184Dn (9x45.7m) at Cost of Tender Document: ₹ 5,000/-Km 519/0-5 Rapti River between JTB-SWA station of GKP BST section in Lucknow Division of N.E. Railway by replacing stringer angle. Completion Period from the date of issue of acceptance letter:-09 (Nine) Months

Date of E-Tender opening 11:00 Hrs. on 08-04-2019.

Receipt of E-Tender upto 10:59 Hrs. on 08-04-2019.

Detailed E-tender notice, Eligiblity criteria, terms & conditions are

available at website http//www.ireps.gov.in Chief Workshop Manager (Bridge), Gorakhpur About any passenger amenity complaint SMS on Mob. No.: 09794845955

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(A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited) **Tender Notice** Open Tender is invited under e-procurement Mode No. NCL/NGH/PUR/

18-19/18111/238 Date 07.03.2019 for Procurement of Paddle Wheel Arm and Plough Feeder Arm for old and new reclaim section of Nigahi Area Estimated Cost: ₹13,93,864.00 & Due Date of opening on 08.04.2019. Open Tender is invited under e-procurement Mode No. AML/P.Cell/18-19/3017/140 Dated: 08.03.2019 for procurement of Safety items of HEMM Dumper. Estimated Cost (Lakh): Rs. 11.10, for Amlohri Project & Due date of opening on 09.04.2019.

Northern Coalfields Limited

Note : Above tender(s) has/have been uploaded on website https://coalindiatenders.nic.in of Coal India Limited (CIL). All prospective bidders are advised to visit aforesaid website for participation against the above tender(s). Full details of above tender(s) are also available on websites "nclcil.in" or "eprocure.gov.in" or "tenders.gov.in". R-149

MODERN COACH FACTORY, RAEBARELI

Time 29.03.2019 at 15.30 hrs made as corrigendum:-SN. 1. Item in NIT Header:- Schedule Rate, As per Existing (In NIT Header) :

No. AMC-CAPL-2018-19-19, published on Date 06.03.2019 with closing Date/

Unit Rate = ₹ 37.504.17. Basic Value= ₹ 900100.08. Lump Sum GST@18%= ₹ 197582.92. Total Advertised Value = ₹ 10.97.683.00 To be applicable as (In NIT Header) :- Unit Rate = ₹ 38,760.00, Basic Value

= ₹ 9,30,240.00, Lump Sum GST@18%= ₹ 1,67,443.00 Total Advertised Value ₹ 10.97.683.00. All other terms & conditions of the tender will remain the same.

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Corrigendum Corrigendum No.: AMC-CAPL-2018-19-19 On behalf of President of India, Dv. Chief Mechanical Engineer (M&P), Modern Coach Factory, Raebareli issues corrigendum to tender document uploaded for tender no. AMC-CAPL-2018-19-19, Due on: 11.03.2019 Due to unavoidable reasons the following changes in connection with the tender

Dy. CME (M&P)

IDBI Bank Ltd. 1st Floor, Videocon Tower, E-1,



STATUTORY 15 Days Notice under Rule - 9(1) STATUTORY 15 Days Notice under Rule - 9(1) SARFAESI Act Notice Gist of the terms & conditions appearing in Bid Document:- (1) The sale of Secured Assets is on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS", "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS", "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" and "NO RECOURSE BASIS" for and on behalf of the Secured Creditors viz.: IDBI BANK LTD. (2) The aforesaid property shall not be sold below the reserve price mentioned above. 3. The Earnest Money Deposit - (EMD) has to be deposited for qualifying for the bid through DD/PO drawn in favour of IDBI Bank Ltd. or through NEFT / RTGS in favour of IDBI BANK LIMITED, Account No.41337000010052, IFSC Code: IBKL0000413, Branch: Videocon Tower, Jhandewalan Extension, New Delhi. (4) The Earnest Money Deposit - (EMD) will not carry interest. AO may retain EMD of top three bidders upto 3 months from the date of opening of the bids. (5) The successful bidder will be required to deposit 25% of the sale price (less the amount of EMD deposited) at the time of confirmation of sale. The balance amount of the sale price is to be paid within 15 days of the confirmation of the sale or such extended period as may be agreed to by the AO. In case of failure to deposit the balance amount within the prescribed period, the deposited amount shall be forfeited, including earnest money. (6) The successful bidder would be required to bear all the necessary expenses like stamp duty, registration, expenses, tax liabilities, if any etc for transfer of secured asset. (7) The sale is strictly subject to the terms & conditions given in this advertisement and in the "Bid Document". Bid document can be obtained from any of our offices, on all working days or downloaded from IDBI's website i.e. www.idbi.com and also at https://www.AuctionTiger.net through E-Auction Service Provider e-Procurement Technologies Limited., Contact Mr. Kushal Kothary (E-mail) or | Cell: +91-9978591888, Phone: +91-79-410 72 412.

The Borrower / Guarantors are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto date interest and ancillary/legal expenses before auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and the balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: March 12, 2019 **AUTHORISED OFFICERS** Place: New Delhi

