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Sri Narendra Modi jee, Honourable Prime Minister, Government of India, New Delhi

Sub: <u>Request to treat employees of Coal India in priority sector for Covid-19 vaccination</u>

Dear Sir,

Coal being the prime source of energy for country's needs, the employees of Coal India Ltd (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Ltd (SCCL)are doing their best to discharge their duties by observing Covid-19 protocols. Whole world was on safe zone at home during lockdown but coal sector eployees were working. In this process, many employees and executives and their family members have lost their lives and many are still struggling for life. Needless to say, we are a workforce of about 2.6 lakhs in Coal India Ltd (CIL), and 50,000 in Singareni Colliery Company Ltd (SCCL), are working 24x7 and during lockdown and all restrictions.

As India fights against Covid-19, vaccination has been proved successful ammunition in this war against this deadly disease. Realising this, the government rightly categorized the front line health workers in first phase of priority segment. Gradually, government is increasing the scope of vaccination coverage to more and more population. It has even allowed vaccine procurement for different organizations.

Keeping in view these developments, we request you to kindly issue needful orders from your end, so that, these coal employees are allowed to be included in priority sector for vaccination. We shall be grateful to you for allocation/procurement of vaccines at CIL and SCCL level and arrange for vaccination at their company hospitals. The employees along with their eligible family members, are requested to be treated as Front line workers in lockdown and allowing them vaccinated.

This will be a boon to the entire coal family who will be in a position to avail door-step vaccination without leaving their respective work-sites. With assured vaccination for individual and family needs, all will devote increased time and effort to uplift CIL and SCCL. This will ensure lowering of the cases and decreasing the liabilities on the part of CIL and SCCL.

This will go a long way in the drive against Covid-19 and will be of a great relief to all with assured care for individuals and family members. No doubt, all will devote increased time and effort to uplift CIL and SCCL.

In anticipation of a favourable decision from your end,

With Regards,

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