F. No.J-11011/491/2011-IA-II(I) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change IA Division

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To,

M/s Essar Oil & Gas Exploration and Production Ltd Khambhailia, Post Box No.24, <u>Jamnagar</u> - 5 (Gujarat)

Sub: Development & Production Wells along with Surface Facilities, Phase-III of CBM Block RG(E)-CBM-2001/1, Raniganj CBM Block, West Bengal by M/s Essar Oil & Gas Exploration and Production Ltd - Amendment and Extension of Validity of Environmental Clearance - reg.

Sir.

This refers to your online proposal No.IA/WB/IND2/83627/2013 dated 26th October, 2018 for amendment and extension of validity of the environmental clearance dated 26th February, 2013 granted by the Ministry in favour of M/s Essar Oil Ltd (E&P Division) for the project 'Development & Production Wells along with Surface Facilities', Phase-III of CBM Block RG(E)-CBM-2001/1' at Raniganj CBM Block in West Bengal. The said environmental clearance was transferred in the name of M/s Essar Oil & Gas Exploration and Production Ltd on 27th November, 2017.

2. The proposal has been submitted for extension of validity of the said environmental clearance for a period of 3 years, and also amendment therein, with the details as under:-

S. No.	Para of EC	Details as per the EC	To be revised/ read as
1	2 (i)	Total no. of wells -	Out of total 650 wells, 20 wells proposed
		650 nos	for exploration of shale gas.
2	2 (i)	With the target depth	With the target depth of ~ 2000 m of CBM
		of ~ 2000 m	wells and ~3000 m of Shale Gas Well

- 3. The proposal was considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry-2) in the Ministry in its meeting held on 29-31 January, 2019. The Committee has recommended for the proposed amendment as above, and also extension of validity of the environmental clearance for a period of three years i.e. up to 26th February, 2023.
- **4.** Based on recommendations of the EAC, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby accords approval to the proposed amendment in the environmental clearance dated 26th February, 2013, and extension of its validity for a period of three years i.e. up to 26th February, 2023.
- **5.** All other terms and conditions stipulated in the environmental clearance dated 26th February, 2013 shall remain unchanged.

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