

Covid-hit coal workers in battle for frontline status

Coal India says it made arrangements for sufficient beds, unions dispute claim

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In April, S Srivastava, an office bearer of the Dhanbad Colliery Karamachari Sangh, wrote to Bharat Coking Coal (BCCL) to declare mine workers as front-line staff and start their vaccination immediately.

Coal miners work in proximity to each other and the chances of them spreading Covid is high.

By April-end, BCCL parent Coal India (CIL) started vaccinating its employees but many felt it was already too late. CIL said deaths reported from April 1 to May 27 of 2021 due to Covid was 360. Workers and trade unions in the mining states put the figure at close to 500 employees, including contractual workers and their wards.

While the numbers vary, mine workers in some of the remotest corners of the country battle Covid-related risks every day. “Coal mining is essential work, but it was not recognised as frontline. Even if one worker falls sick, the other nine who work along with him go to work the next day,” said Ravi Singh, a mechanic with Dhanbad Collieries. These workers cannot self-isolate since work has to go on.

CIL has an extensive medical network but it was stressed during the second wave. Primary healthcare centres near remote mining areas in Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal and Jharkhand have only basic medical infrastructure and staff, several workers told Business Standard.

Singh works with BCCL, which has one central hospital, 13 regional hospitals and 73 dispensaries for its 43,000 workers. District administrations took charge of CIL hospitals from March 2021 as cases surged but this meant coal workers facing bed and oxygen shortage at their own company hospitals. “For every



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CIL: COVID DEATHS

360
Apr-May
(Official data)

500+
Jan-May (Data collated by workers' unions across CIL subsidiaries)

COAL PRODUCTION

79 mt
Apr-May 2020

109 mt
Apr-May 2021

VACCINATION STATUS IN CIL

109,000
people above 45 yrs, free of cost

344,000
total employees
(includes wards of employees and contractual staff)

three to four dispensaries, there is one doctor. There is delay in testing, admission and even medicine availability. There was one ambulance for every three collieries and they did not have an oxygen facility during the peak” said Srivastava. BCCL’s mining area includes Jharia and Raniganj coalfields in Jharkhand and West Bengal.

Singh, who tested positive in May and was admitted to a CIL-run hospital, said while critical services were available, there was a shortage of staff and ICU admission was solely on “reference” basis.

“I was not even admitted to a Covid ward. There was considerable delay in the treatment. There were non-CIL people in the ICU, while we scrambled for some reference. Even for a CT scan, I had to go to another hospital,” said Singh.

After close to 20 days of recovery, Singh was back to work at the mine but two other colleagues admitted along with him died. “We are workers of the company only till the time we are in the mine, not beyond that,” rued Singh.

South Eastern Coalfields

(SECL), which is one of the larger subsidiaries of CIL operating 89 mines in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh, has seen 1,710 employees testing positive and 124 deaths as on June 1, 2021. According to official data by SECL, two contractual workers have lost their lives. Data collated by the workers’ union, however, shows 68 contractual workers succumbing to Covid, taking the total death toll at SECL zones to 160.

“As testing and treatment is delayed, a lot of workers, who have died due to Covid, are not even getting certificates indicating Covid as the cause. Most of these contract workers are dying at home, either because of lack of treatment or ignorance because of which they avoid hospitalisation,” said V M Manohar, Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU) leader in Chhattisgarh.

Korba, which has three big coal mines – Kusmunda, Dipka and Gevra – has seen the highest number of cases, said Manohar. “The lack of certification is impacting families of deceased workers. It will be difficult for these families to get the Covid compensation announced by the govern-

ment,” he said.

CIL has declared a compensatory ex gratia of ₹15 lakh in case of death due to Covid for its own employees and contractual workers. A CIL spokesperson, however, said, “Instances where the compensation is pending could be due to non-submission of documents from the deceased families for various reasons.”

Compensation for families of the 233 deceased, amounting to about ₹3.5 crore has been disbursed and approval for ₹6.45 crore for 43 families is under process.

“What the whole country faced, CIL also battled – lack of medical infrastructure. CIL prepared a plan to have super speciality hospitals in every subsidiary but it didn’t take off. We have urged the company to start it. We should be prepared for a pandemic such as Covid,” said DD Ramanandan, general secretary, CITU.

The CIL spokesperson, however, said the company was “the highest mobiliser of Covid care beds in corporate India.”

CIL said 3,831 Covid beds were created during the current financial year, so far, compared to 2,160 last year. The availability of oxygen cylinders doubled to 2,673 compared to 1,077 as of March 31, 2021. Ready-for-use ventilators were 247 from just 94 earlier. CIL has also recently announced that it would set up two oxygen plants at an investment of ₹35 crore.

Executives posted in mining areas claimed there is a shortage of vaccines and the drive pauses for days when vaccines run out.

Also, vaccination has its own challenges. In Medhwa, one of the remotest villages beyond Korba district, five died post vaccination after the first drive for 50 people was over. The whole village erupted in a riot against the local health worker, who later committed suicide. The villagers have now boycotted the vaccine drive.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Smt. Lakshmi Kapur, Residence - 3 / C, Juniper Eden Wood Society, Chitalsar, Manpada, Thane (w), I was traveling in a rickshaw in Tikujini Wadi Road, Manpada, Thane area on 25/03/2021 at around 18.30 pm when I lost the original purchase copy (original document) with the name of 1) Godrej and Sushma Mehrotra 2) Sushma Mehrotra & Laxmi Kapur that I had. The complaint has been lodged at Chitalsar, Manpada Police Station, Thane. Reg. No. 471 / 2021 dated 31/05/2021. However, if anyone finds it, bring it to the police station or to the above address.
Sd/-
Smt. Lakshmi Kapur

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public are hereby informed that one of our clients – TransAsia Private Capital Limited (18/F, Printing House, 6 Duddell Street, Central, Hong Kong) (“TPCL”) along with Asian Trade Finance Fund (“ATFF”), Asian Trade Finance Fund 2 (“ATFF 2”) and Trade Finance Corporation Limited (“TFCL”) had granted credit facilities to Phoenix Global DMCC, a company incorporated in the United Arab Emirates (“Phoenix UAE”). Mr. Gaurav Dhawan, the founder of group of companies including Phoenix UAE and Phoenix Commodities Pvt. Ltd., a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (“Phoenix BVI”) had provided personal guarantees to secure the aforesaid credit facilities.
TPCL, ATFF, ATFF 2 & TFCL approached the UK Court by filing a claim against Gaurav Dhawan (personal guarantor), Phoenix UAE (borrower) and Phoenix BVI (corporate guarantor). Since May 2020, both Phoenix BVI and Phoenix UAE are in liquidation. The UK Court passed a judgment ordering to pay the total decretal amount of US \$ 47,779,823.02 (INR 350,62,05,251.76) with interest at the rate of 8% per annum as from 19-10-2020 until payment. TPCL has also filed an Execution Petition against Mr. Gaurav Dhawan before Hon’ble Delhi High Court at New Delhi in Ex. P. 37 of 2021. The Hon’ble Delhi High Court vide its order dated 24.05.2021 has inter alia restrained Mr. Gaurav Dhawan and anyone claiming through him from transferring, alienating, disposing or creating any third-party rights over his assets to the tune of the decretal amount (except for day-to-day operations such as payment of salaries, statutory dues) and from discharging any liabilities (except for discharging financial liabilities owed to banks and financial institutions) till the next date of hearing i.e., 19.07.2021.
The general public are hereby cautioned that they should not deal with Mr. Gaurav Dhawan or anyone claiming through him in respect of his properties or assets without leave of the Hon’ble Court as the same would be in violation of the aforementioned order dated 24.05.2021 in Ex. P. 37/2021.
In case you require further clarification please contact the undersigned.
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Extracts of Audited Financial Results for the Quarter & Year Ended March 31, 2021					
(Rupees in Lakhs)					
Sr. No	Particulars	Quarter Ended 31/03/2021 (Audited)	Quarter ended 31/03/2020 (Audited)	Year ended 31/03/2021 (Audited)	Year ended 31/03/2020 (Audited)
1.	Total income from operations	412.14	196.80	1520.54	841.64
2.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and /or Extraordinary items#)	42.82	(131.53)	138.10	(421.17)
3.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	42.82	(131.53)	138.10	(424.06)
4.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	42.82	(131.53)	138.10	(424.06)
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising profit/(loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income(after tax)	56.09	(131.53)	151.36	(425.06)
6.	Equity Share Capital	1029.30	929.30	1029.30	929.30
7.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of previous year)	-	-	-	-
8.	Earnings Per Share (of ₹ 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -	0.59	(1.42)	1.59	(4.56)
	Basic:	0.59	(1.42)	1.59	(4.56)
	Diluted:	0.59	(1.42)	1.59	(4.56)
Note:					
a. The above is an extract of the detailed format of audited Financial Results for the Quarter and year ended March 31, 2021, filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Financial Results for the Quarter and Year ended March 31, 2021 is available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) and the company's website :- www.aspiradiagnostics.com .					
b. The above result has been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by Board of Directors at their meeting held on June 05, 2021					
For and on behalf of the Board					
For Aspira Pathlab & Diagnostics Limited					
Sd/-					
Pankaj Shah					
(Managing Director)					
DIN:- 02836324					
Place:- Mumbai					
Date:- June 5, 2021					

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Air travellers show 2x rise in June 1st week over May

He points out that currently, fleet capacity utilisation is at an average of 20-25 per cent. So the first step is to see how quickly they can go to 50 per cent, which is what is mandated by the government till 30 June).

For airports, too, the situation is precarious. Says a senior executive of an airport company: “We are readying for a quick uptake in passengers and increasing our capacity utilisation. Otherwise our business is in serious trouble.”

In February last year, before Covid-19 hit the world, airlines in India ferried over 4.12 lakh passengers a day. After the outbreak of the pandemic, and after airline services resumed at the end of May last year, the increase in passenger traffic was slow, going up from 42,000 on 27 May to 178,000 in October. By March end this year, before the second wave struck, the number of passengers had hit 3.13 lakh a day. Whether India’s airlines can touch that peak again in the near future is anybody’s guess.

Covishield shows better antibody response...

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He added: “However, what is the result from a quantitative comparison - also needs to be examined - is the difference between the mean or median titre between the two groups.”

He further added that these comparisons allow for population level inference (not for any particular individual), provided the sample of participants in the study is drawn randomly from the total population of interest.

“Any arbitrary draw of a sample brings in a bias and does not allow extrapolation of inference on a larger universe of people,” said Panda.

Moreover, immunity is not only guided by the humoral arm of immunity but also the cellular arm, he explained.

“Finally, it should also be appreciated that immunity is guided not only by the humoral arm of the immunity (determined by neutralising antibody titres, etc) following vaccination, but also by the cellular arm, which determines immune memory,” he said.

The researchers said the primary aim was to analyse the antibody response (seropositivity and median antibody titre) following each dose of both vaccines and its correlation to age, sex, blood group, body mass index (BMI), and comorbidities.

While no difference was observed in rela-

tation to sex, BMI, blood group, and any comorbidities, people above 60 years or those with Type 2 diabetes had significantly lower seropositivity rates,” the authors said.

Both vaccine recipients had similar solicited mild to moderate adverse events and none had severe or unsolicited side effects. Both vaccines elicited good immune response after two doses, although seropositivity rates and median anti-spike antibody titre was significantly higher in Covishield, compared to Covaxin arm,” they concluded.

This is, however, not an efficacy analysis of both the vaccines. Efficacy analysis would mean whether those vaccinated get symptomatic Covid or not.

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Rlnfra to raise ₹550 cr from Ambani, Varde

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NOTICE OF EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING, E-VOTING AND BOOK CLOSURE
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting ("EGM") of the Members of Orchid Pharma Limited ("the Company") will be held on **Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 11:30 A.M.(IST)** at the Registered office at "Orchid Towers", No.313, Valluvarkottam High Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 034, Tamil Nadu (Deemed venue of the meeting) through Video Conferencing Facility ("VC") / Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") for the transaction of the Special businesses, as set out in the Notice of the EGM.
In view of the continuing COVID-19 global pandemic, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs vide its General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020 read with General Circular No.14/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 allows conducting of Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the Company through Video Conferencing ("VC") / Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") without the physical presence of the Members for the meeting at a common venue. In terms of the said circulars and in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the EGM of the Company is being held through VC/OAVM. Hence, Members can attend and participate in the EGM through VC/OAVM only.
Notice of the EGM has been sent only through electronic means, in accordance with the aforesaid MCA Circulars and relaxation granted by the Securities and Exchange Board of India vide Circular dated 12, 2020, to all those members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company or Registrar and Share Transfer Agents or Depository Participant(s). The requirement of sending physical copies of the Notice of the EGM has been dispensed with vide the above MCA Circulars and the SEBI Circular. Members are requested to register/update their e-mail address immediately, in case they have not done so earlier.
a) In case of shares are held in demat mode with their respective Depository participants
b) In case of shares are held in physical mode, by e-mail to Registrar and Share Transfer Agents (RTA) at yuvraj@integratedindia.in with details of Folio No. and attaching a self-attested copy of the PAN card.
Members may note that the Notice of the EGM is available on the website of the Company at www.orchidpharma.com and on the websites of National Stock Exchange of India Limited www.nseindia.com and BSE Limited www.bseindia.com. A copy of the same is also available on the website of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) (agency providing the VC/OAVM facility, Remote e-voting facility and e-voting system during the EGM) i.e. www.evotingindia.com. For any communication, the shareholders may also send requests to the following mail id: nikitak@orchidpharma.com.
In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Management and Administration) rules, 2014, as amended from time to time, the Secretarial Standard on General Meetings ("SS-2") issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Company is providing to its Members electronic voting facility before as well as during the EGM in respect of the business to be transacted at the EGM and for this purpose, the Company has entered into an agreement with Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) for facilitating voting through electronic means.
E-Voting: The detailed instructions for joining the EGM and remote e-Voting and e-voting are given in the Notice of the EGM of the Company. Members are requested to note as follows:
The remote e-voting period shall commence on Friday, June 25, 2021 at 9.00 A.M. (IST) and ends on Monday, June 28, 2021 at 5.00 P.M. (IST).
Members will not be able to cast their vote through remote e-voting beyond the said date and time and the remote e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL thereafter. Additionally, the facility for e-voting shall also be made available at the time of EGM and Members attending the meeting who have not already cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to exercise their right to vote during the EGM. A member who have exercised his right to vote through Remote e-voting may participate in the EGM but shall not be entitled to vote again.
Members whose names appear on the Register of Members/ Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as on the cut-off date for e-voting i.e., **Tuesday, June 22, 2021** shall only be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting/ e-voting at the EGM. Any person who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a member after despatch of the Notice but before the cut-off date for voting, i.e., **Tuesday, June 22, 2021** may obtain the login ID and password by sending an e-mail to helpdesk.evoting@csindia.com by mentioning their Folio No./ DP ID and Client ID No. or contacting our Registrar and Share Transfer Agents (RTA) M/s. Integrated Registry Management Services Private Limited, 2nd Floor, Kences Towers, No. 1, Ramakrishna Street, North Usman Road, T. Nagar, Chennai - 600 017, Tamil Nadu, Phone: 044-2814 0801-803, E-mail: yuvraj@integratedindia.in or contact Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, CDSL on 022-23058542/43 or send an email to helpdesk.evoting@csindia.com.
By Order of the Board
For Orchid Pharma Limited
Sd/-
Nikita K
Company Secretary
Place: Chennai
Date : June 05, 2021
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Member(s),

1. Notice is hereby given that the 59th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held on Friday, 27th August 2021 at 09:15 AM (IST) through Video Conference ("VC") / Other Audio-Visual Means ("OAVM") facility to transact the business as set out in the Notice which will be circulated for convening the AGM. In view of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules framed thereunder and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with General Circular(s) dated 5th May 2020 read with Circulars dated 8th April, 2020, 13th April, 2020 and 13th January, 2021, issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA Circular(s)") and Circulars dated 12th May 2020 & 15th January 2021 issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI Circular"), the Company has decided to conduct the AGM through VC/ OAVM facility without the physical presence of the Members at a common venue.

2. The Notice of the 59th AGM and the Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2021, including the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2021 ("Annual Report") will be sent only by e-mail to all those members, whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company or with their respective Depository Participants ("Depository"), in accordance with the MCA Circular(s) and the SEBI Circular(s) as mentioned above. Members can join and participate in the 59th AGM through VC/OAVM facility only. The instructions for joining the 59th AGM and the manner of participation in the remote e-voting or casting vote through the e-voting system during the 59th AGM are provided in the Notice of the 59th AGM. Members participating through the VC/OAVM facility shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.

3. Notice of the 59th AGM and the Annual Report will be made available on the website of the Company i.e., www.klrf.in and on the website of Stock Exchange in which the Company's equity shares are listed i.e., BSE Limited.

4. Members holding shares in physical form who have not registered their e-mail addresses with the Company/ its RTA/ Depository or not updated the bank account mandate can obtain Notice of the 59th AGM, Annual Report and/or login details for joining the 59th AGM through VC/OAVM facility including e-voting, by following the instructions as mentioned below:

Kindly log in to the website of our RTA, Link Intime India Private Ltd., www.linkintime.co.in under Investor Services > Email/ Bank detail Registration – fill in the details, upload the required documents and submit. Alternatively, members may send the request letter along with the requisite documents as listed on the website to the Registrar & Share Transfer Agent through postal means.

5. Members holding shares in demat form can update their e-mail address & bank account details by submitting a request to the concerned depository participant.

6. Please note that the email ID cosec@klrf.in is designated for the purpose of enabling shareholders to obtain Notice of the 59th AGM, Annual Report and / or login details for joining the 59th AGM through VC/OAVM facility including e-voting.

7. Those shareholders who have already registered their e-mail address are requested to keep their e-mail address validated with their depository participants / the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, Link Intime India Private Limited to enable servicing of notices / documents / Annual Reports electronically to their e-mail address.

8. Pursuant to Finance Act, 2020, dividend income will be taxable in the hands of the shareholders w.e.f. 1st April 2020 and the Company is required to deduct tax at source ("TDS") from dividend paid to the Members at the prescribed rates in the Income Tax Act, 1961. Detailed communication with regard the prescribed TDS rates for various categories, conditions for Nil/preferential TDS and details / documents required thereof are being sent to the members through separate communication.

9. Considering the above, we urge the shareholders to update their e-mail ID, Bank account details & Permanent Account Number (PAN) with the Company / Depository Participant to ensure receipt of the Annual Report and other communications from the company.

The above information is being issued for the information and benefit of all the Members of the Company and is in compliance with the MCA Circular/s and the SEBI Circulars.

Date: 04-06-2021
Place: Gangaikondan