



**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL**

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The Ministry of Coal, Government of India intend to allocate 38 coal blocks for captive coal mining by companies engaged in generation of power, production of iron and steel and production of cement. Out of these, 15 coal blocks are earmarked for power generation and 23 coal blocks would be available for other specified end uses.

The companies registered under the Indian Companies Act, 1956 may apply for one or more of the blocks. Applications for the blocks on offer would need to be made afresh. Earlier applications, if any, shall not be considered.

Preference will be accorded to the power sector and steel sector. Within the power sector, priority shall be accorded to projects with more than 500MW capacity. Similarly, in the steel sector, priority shall be given to steel plants with more than 1 million tonne per annum capacity.

The application, in five (5) copies, is to be addressed to Director (CA-I), Ministry of Coal and to be submitted in the Coal India Limited Office, Scope Minar, 5th Floor, Laxmi Nagar District Centre, Delhi 110092 between 10.30 AM and 4.00 PM on any working day. The application should reach the Ministry of Coal latest by 12th January, 2007.

For further details such as application format, documents to be enclosed, details regarding the coal blocks on offer and other guidelines etc., please log on to www.coal.nic.in and click on "Applications invited for Coal Blocks".

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