

6th Round of Auctions of commercial coal mines receives huge response

Coal Ministry Auctions 29 Coal Mines, having Geological Reserves of 8160 Million Tonnes

Likely to attract Capital Investment of Rs. 11,250 crore

These mines will contribute to more than 7% of country's coal requirement

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Ministry of Coal had launched the auctions of coal mines for commercial mining under 6th round and 2nd attempt of 5th round on 3rd November 2023, the biggest tranche of auction of commercial coal mines, which has drawn to a close today. In the auctions held a cumulative 29 coal mines were successfully auctioned. The details of the coal mines auctioned are as under:-

- 22 coal mines are fully explored coal mines and 7 coal mines are partially explored coal mines
- The total geological reserves for these 29 coal mines are ~8160 Million Tonnes.
- Cumulative PRC for these coal mines is 74.96 MTPA (excluding Partially Explored coal mines).

The auctions witnessed a strong competition, with a lot of first-time bidders in this round and an average revenue share of 22.12 %. This is a testament to the continued interest in the coal mining sector and the stable future of coal mining in India. This also signify that the reforms brought in by the Government in the coal sector through the introduction of commercial coal mining have been well received by the industry.

The mine-wise result for auctions held is as under:

S. No.	Name of the Mine	State	P R C (mtpa)	Geological Reserves (MT)	Closing Bid Submitted by	F i n a O f f e (%)
1	Choritand Tiliaya	Jharkhand	0.78	97.04	Rungta Metals Pvt. Ltd.	11.25%
2	Dongeri Tal-II	M a d h y a Pradesh	2.90	158.45	Mahavir Coal Resources Private Limited	24.75%
3	Datima	M a d h y a Pradesh	0.36	13.30	Shree Cement Limited	27.25%
4	Arjuni East	M a d h y a Pradesh	1.36	106.12	Ultratech Cement Limited	79.25%

5	Arjuni West	M a d h y a Pradesh	NA	110.17	Ganga Khanij Private Limited	25.25%
6	Baitarni West	Odisha	15.00	1,152.11	Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Ltd	33.50%
7-8	Banai & Bhalumuda	Chhattisgarh	12.00	1,376.07	JSW Steel Limited	43.00%
9	Binja	Jharkhand	NA	50.00	Assam Mineral Development Corporation Limited	21.25%
10	Burakhap Small Patch	Jharkhand	0.40	9.68	Shreesatya Mines Private Limited	45.50%
11	Burapahar	Odisha	6.00	547.89	Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Ltd	40.75%
12	C h h e n d i p a d a (Revised)	Odisha	NA	513.09	Rungta Sons Private Limited	13.00%
13	Dahegaon-Gowari	Maharashtra	0.50	162.79	Ambuja Cements Limited	5.50%
14	Gare Palma Sector - I(East)	Chhattisgarh	15.00	965.00	Jindal Power Limited	9.00%
15-16	Gare Palma Sector IV/2 and Gare Palma Sector IV/3	Chhattisgarh	7.00	186.86	Jindal Power Limited	30.75%
17	Gondbahera Ujheni	M a d h y a Pradesh	4.12	672.87	MP Natural Resources Private Limited	7.00%
18	Kalambi Kalmeshwar (Western Part)	Maharashtra	NA	47.78	Samlok Industries Private Limited	15.00%
19	Khagra Joydev	West Bengal	3.00	178.26	Orissa Metallurgical Industry Private Limited	5.00%
20	Mandla North	M a d h y a Pradesh	1.50	195.37	Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited	21.00%
21	Marwatola – VI	M a d h y a Pradesh	1.50	78.997	JSW Cement Limited	42.50%
22	Marwatola – VII	M a d h y a Pradesh	1.50	188.70	Rama Cement Industries Private Limited	15.50%
23	Namchik Namphuk	A r u n a c h a l Pradesh	0.20	14.97	Coal Pulz Private Limited	65.50%
24	North West of Madheri	Maharashtra	NA	200.00	MH Natural Resources Private Limited	5.50%
25	Parbatpur Central	Jharkhand	1.24	234.52	JSW Steel Limited	31.50%
26	Patal East (Eastern Part)	Jharkhand	0.30	35.00	RCR Steel Works Private Limited	6.00%
27	Purunga	Chhattisgarh	NA	260.00	CG Natural Resources Private Limited	5.50%
28	Sakhigopal – B Kankili	Odisha	NA	500.00	Rungta Sons Private Limited	6.50%
29	Sitanala	Jharkhand	0.30	108.85	JSW Steel Ltd.	5%

Coal production from these mines would significantly reduce the demand for imported thermal coal and will

also reduce dependence on public sector coal mining companies. The commercial coal mine auctions will create value for the society in the form of job creation and infrastructure development in the coal bearing areas and also make a sizeable contribution to the states' revenues with Annual Revenue generation of ~14,650 crores (excluding Partially Explored coal mines) calculated at PRC of these coal mines. It is expected that these auctions shall result in the capital investment of approximately Rs 11,250 crore and employment generation for 1,00,000 people approximately.

The monetized value of these mines is Rs. 71,192 Crores exceeding the target set by Ministry of Finance. These mines once operational will contribute to more than 7% of country's coal requirement.

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