

Seven Coal Blocks Successfully Auctioned in 12th Round of Commercial Auctions

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The Ministry of Coal launched the 12th round of coal block auctions for commercial mining on March 27, 2025. In the forward auctions, held from July 28 to July 31, 2025, a total of seven coal blocks has been successfully auctioned, comprising three fully explored and four partially explored coal blocks.

These seven blocks hold a combined geological reserve of approximately 1,761.49 million tonnes. The cumulative Peak Rated Capacity (PRC) of these blocks stands at 5.25 MTPA (excluding partially explored coal blocks).

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

S No.	Name of Block	State	P R C (MTPA)	Geological Reserves (MT)	Closing Bid Submitted By	Reserve Price (%)	Final Offer (%)	Coal Block
1	Chitarpur (Revised)	Jharkhand	3.45	237.44	Orissa Alloy Steel Private Limited	4.00	14.75	N col
2	Mahuagarhi	Jharkhand	NA	305.95	Damodar Valley Corporation	4.00	7.00	N col
3	Rajgamar Dipside (Deavnara)	Chhattisgarh	1.00	78.46	T M C Mineral Resources Private Limited	4.00	31.50	N col
4	Rajgamar Dipside (South of Phulakdih Nala)	Chhattisgarh	0.80	61.70	Mivaan Steels Limited	4.00	31.50	N col
5	Cholapathar	Jharkhand	NA	25.00	Shakti Bhumi Mining Private Limited	4.00	27.25	N col
6	Phutamura	Chhattisgarh	NA	170.54	Alom Solar Private Limited	4.00	65.25	N col
7	West of Tubed	Jharkhand	NA	882.40	Oriental Quarries and Mines Private Limited	4.00	9.50	N col

The auctions witnessed intense competition, achieving an average revenue share of 26.70%. This reflects the sustained interest of industries in the coal sector and the Ministry's efforts to provide a stable and transparent policy framework. These blocks are expected to generate an annual revenue of approximately ₹719.90 crore (excluding partially explored blocks), likely to attract a capital investment of around ₹787.50 crore, and create 7,098 employment opportunities.

Since the inception of commercial coal mining in 2020, a total of 131 coal blocks has been auctioned successfully, with a production capacity of 277.31 Million Tonnes per year. Upon operationalization, these blocks will immensely contribute to enhance domestic coal production and in making country self-reliant in coal sector. Collectively, these blocks are expected to generate annual revenue of Rs 39,359 crores, capital investment of Rs 41,597 Crores and provide employment for 3,74,916 people in coal-bearing regions.

These strategic initiatives of the Ministry of Coal reaffirm the Ministry’s dedication to transforming the coal sector into a key driver of economic growth. These initiatives not only address the nation’s energy demands but also foster economic stability and create employment opportunities, contributing to the vision of an ‘Atmanirbhar Bharat.

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