GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1791 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025

Auctioning of coal mines

1791. Shri Anil Kumar Yadav Mandadi:

Will the Minister of **COAL** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of operational coal mines across the country;
- (b) when the latest round of auction of coal mines started and number of coal mines that have been auctioned till the end of February, 2025; and
- (c) the number of mines allocated to private companies and those allocated to Government owned companies, out of the total number of coal mines auctioned till February, 2025?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a): There are 408 coal-producing mines in the country as on 31-03-2024.
- (b) & (c): The 11th round of commercial coal mines auction was launched on 05.12.2024. Till February 2025, 131 captive/commercial coal mines have been allocated through auction route.

Out of 131 captive/commercial coal mines, 119 coal blocks have been allocated to private companies and 12 coal blocks to government companies.
