### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2639 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024

#### **Domestic Coking Coal Production**

#### 2639. Shri Baijayant Panda:

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

- (a) the total domestic coking coal production during the financial year 2023-24 and the projected target for the year 2025;
- (b) the details of coking coal imports during the last three years and the steps being taken to reduce these imports; and
- (c) the status of new coking coal mines auctioned to private players under the Mission Coking Coal initiative?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a): The total domestic raw coking coal production during the financial year 2023-24 is 66.821 million tonnes (MT). The domestic raw coking coal production target for the financial year 2024-25 is 77 MT.
- (b): The details of coking coal imports during the last three years is given below:

(Fig. in MT)

Years	Coking
2021-22	57.123
2022-23	56.053
2023-24	58.813

**Source: DGCIS** 

The Ministry of Coal has taken following steps to reduce these imports:

- 1. The Ministry of Coal has launched "Mission Coking Coal" to enhance domestic coking coal production to reduce import of coking coal, keeping in view the demand projection of steel sector. This mission aims to increase domestic raw coking coal production up to 140 MT by FY 2029-30.
- 2. The target to increase raw coking coal production by FY2029-30 from CIL subsidiaries is about 105 MT by FY2029-30 from 60.43 MT during FY 2023-24.

- 3. Modernization and renovation of existing aging washeries of Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) and Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) which has surpassed designed lifespan for its optimal utilization.
- 4. Three new washeries with a capacity of 11.6 MTY have been already commissioned. Additionally, new coking washeries by BCCL (03 nos. with cumulative capacity of 07 MTY) and CCL (05 nos. with cumulative capacity of 14.5 MTY) are planned.
- 5. Monetization of old washeries of BCCL (04 washeries) for its optimum operational efficiency through Washery Developer cum Operator (WDO) route.
- 6. Supply of coal to steel sector through Non-Regulated Sector (NRS) Linkage auction route to promote domestic coking coal for steel production. Implementation of reforms in the auction process with the aim of substitution of coking coal import.
- 7. The Ministry of Coal has auctioned 14 coking coal blocks to the private sector. These blocks are expected to start production by 2028-29.
- (c): The details of coking coal mines auctioned by the Nominated Authority under commercial auction regime to private players till now are as under:

S. No.	Coal Mine	State	Successful allocatee	Average Grade
1	Urtan	Madhya Pradesh	JMS Mining Private Limited	WIII, G10
2	Urtan North	Madhya Pradesh	JMS Mining Private Limited	WIV, G10
3	Jogeshwar & Khas Jogeswar	Jharkhand	South West Pinnacle Exploration Limited	WIV
4	Beheraband North Ext.	Madhya Pradesh		WIV, G9
5	Rabodih OCP	Jharkhand	Twenty First Century Mining Private Limited	W-IV & G10
6	Basantpur	Jharkhand	Gangaramchak Mining Pvt Ltd	WIV
7	Sitanala	Jharkhand	JSW Steel Limited	WII
8	Choritand Tiliaya	Jharkhand	Rungta Metals Private Limited	WV
9	Parbatpur Central	Jharkhand	JSW Steel Limited	WI
10	Babupara East	Jharkhand	Rungta Sons Private Limited	W-IV
11	Duni Central	Jharkhand	<b>Bull Mining Private Limited</b>	W-IV
12	Lalgarh South	Jharkhand	Rungta Sons Private Limited	W-IV
13	Lamatola	Madhya Pradesh	ACC Limited	W-IV&G10
14	South of Damuda	Jharkhand	Rungta Sons Private Limited	W-III&G7

None of the above 14 mines have commenced production. However, two mines, viz. Urtan and Urtan North, have got mine opening permission.