GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-601 ANSWERED ON 03/12/2025

COAL MINING DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS

601. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

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

- (a) the expected economic impacts of the recently executed coal mining development and production agreements for the Machhakata, Kudanali Lubri and Sakhigopal-B Kakurhi coal mines in Odisha; and
- (b) the manner in which these agreements contribute to the Government's goal of achieving Atmanirbharta in the coal sector?

ANSWER

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

(a) On 05.09.2024, Machhakata (Revised), Kudanali Lubri and Sakhigopal-B Kakurhi coal mines have been successfully allocated to NLC India Limited, Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited(GMDC) and Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation (TANGEDCO), respectively.

Kudanali Lubri and Sakhigopal-B Kakurhi are partially explored blocks, while Machhakata(Revised) coal block is fully explored having reserve of 1525 MT and PRC of 30 MTPA which is expected to generate Annual Revenue of ~Rs. 2,991 crores and estimated investment of ~Rs. 4,500 crores upon operationalization.

(b) The peak-rated capacity of the Machhakata (Revised) coal mine is 30 MTPA while the other two mines are Partially Explored coal mines. Once operational, these mines are expected to reduce the import of coal by the country, substituting it with the domestically produced coal.
