

Exploration of Coal Blocks

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Regional Coal and Lignite block exploration are done by Geological Survey of India (GSI), Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL) and Private companies. Details areas under:

Details of number of new regional coal and lignite blocks explored by GSI:

State	No. of Blocks during 2021-22	No. of Blocks during 2022-23	No. of Blocks during 2023-24
Andhra Pradesh			
Assam			
Chhattisgarh	2	2	1
Madhya Pradesh	1	2	3
Nagaland		1	
Odisha	1	2	2
Jharkhand			
West Bengal		1	1
Maharashtra		1	
Bihar	1	1	1
Meghalaya			
Telangana	1		1
Tamilnadu	1	1	1
Grand Total	7	11	10

Details of the number of new regional coal and Lignite blocks explored by CMPDI

State	No. of Blocks during 2021-22	No. of Blocks during 2022-23	No. of Blocks during 2023-24
Andhra Pradesh			
Assam	1		3
Chhattisgarh	9	7	12
Madhya Pradesh	6	5	7
Nagaland	2	2	3

Odisha	3	2	
Jharkhand		2	7
WestBengal		1	
Maharashtra	2		5
Bihar	1	1	1
Meghalaya			1
Telangana			1
Tamilnadu			2
Rajasthan		3	
GrandTotal	24	23	42

During the exploration activities from 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24, the total quantity of coal/lignite resources added is given below:

State	Resource(in Million Tonne)		
	Inferred	Reconnaissance	Totalresource
Coal			
Odisha	11179.98	3117.41	14297.39
Chhattisgarh	5648.21	2247.60	7895.80
MadhyaPradesh	463.88	815.03	1278.91
Bihar	-	1584.14	1,584.14
Telangana	19.10	-	19.10
WestBengal	458.59	-	458.59
AndhraPradesh	1618.70	606.86	2225.56
Jharkhand	1946.46	35.25	1981.71
Nagaland	85.52	31.89	117.41
TotalCoal	21420.44	8438.18	29858.61
Lignite			
TamilNadu	-	1045.76	1045.76

This information was given by Union Minister of Coal and Mines Shri G. Kishan Reddy in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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