Ministry of Coal

Three Coal Blocks Successfully Auctioned in 13th Round of Commercial Auctions

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The Ministry of Coal have successfully auctioned three coal blocks under the 13th round of commercial coal mine auctions. The ministry launched the 13th round of commercial coal block auctions on August 21, 2025. Following this, the forward auctions were conducted from November 20 to November 25, 2025, during which the three fully explored coal blocks were successfully auctioned. Together, these blocks hold geological reserves of approximately 3,306.58 million tonnes, with a cumulative Peak Rated Capacity (PRC) of 49 MTPA

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

S. No.	Name of Block	State	PRC (MTPA)	Geological Reserves (MT)	Closing Bid Submitted By	Reserve Price (%)	Final Offer (%)	Co N Co
1	Pirpainti Barahat	Jharkhand	25.00	798.56	Damodar Valley Corporation	4.00	5.50	N col
2	Dhulia North	Jharkhand	14.00	1181.25	Damodar Valley Corporation	4.00	5.50	N col
3	Mandakini-B	Odisha	10.00	1326.77	Damodar Valley Corporation	6.00	12.75	N col

*In case of Takua coal block, no bids were received in the Final Offer stage and hence, no closing bid was received.

These three blocks are poised to generate annual revenue of approximately ~₹4,620.69 crore, and likely to attract capital investment of nearly ₹7,350 crore, and create 66,248 employment opportunities.

Since the inception of commercial coal mining in 2020, a total of 136 coal blocks have been auctioned successfully, with a production capacity of 325.04 Million Tonnes per year. Once operational, these blocks will substantially enhance domestic coal production and advance the nation's goal of becoming self-reliant in the coal sector. Collectively, these coal blocks are estimated to yield annual revenue of ₹43,330 crore, mobilize capital investment of ₹48,756 crore, and generate 4,39,447 employment opportunities across coal-bearing regions.

These achievements reaffirm Ministry of Coal's steadfast commitment to transforming the coal sector into a key driver of economic growth. By addressing the country's rising energy demand while fostering economic stability and generating employment opportunities the Ministry continues to drive the vision of a stronger, more resilient, and truly Atmanirbhar Bharat.

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