



Coal Production commences from Urtan and Dhirauli Mines in Madhya Pradesh

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The Ministry of Coal has taken another major step towards strengthening India's energy security with the commencement of coal production from the Urtan and Dhirauli coal mines in Madhya Pradesh. The operationalization of these mines is expected to enhance domestic coal availability and further accelerate the country's journey towards self-reliance in the energy sector.

The Urtan Coal Mine, located in the Anuppur district of Madhya Pradesh, has been allocated to M/s JMS Mining Private Limited. Coal production from the mine began on 15 May 2026. Urtan has emerged as the first underground coal mine to commence production under the commercial coal auction regime, making it a landmark achievement in the reform-driven transformation of the coal sector.

In another significant development, coal production has also commenced at the Dhirauli Coal Mine in the Singrauli district of Madhya Pradesh. The mine allocated to M/s Mahan Energen Limited, started production on 17 May 2026 and is expected to further strengthen coal supply from the resource-rich Singrauli region.

The commencement of production from these two mines reflects the impact of the Ministry of Coal's progressive reforms and streamlined procedures aimed at enhancing operational efficiency and facilitating ease of doing business **leading to Atmanirbharta in energy sector**. The increased production from these mines will play an important role in meeting the rising domestic coal demand, reducing reliance on imports and supporting sustained economic growth.

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