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*Dear Sir,*

With regard to significant activities of Ministry of Coal during August, 2025, information in respect of point no. (i) to (iii) specified in your DO letter No. 1/50/3/2024-Cab. dated 24.10.2024 is NIL and details on Departmental Indicators as per the format circulated vide your DO letter of even number dated 03.12.2024 is annexed.

2. With respect to point no. (iv) *ibid.*, regarding significant developments, I would like to inform that the overall coal production in August, 2025 is 69.88 MT as compared to 62.63 MT during the same period last year with a growth of 11.57%. The Coal stock at the Domestic Coal Based Thermal Power Plants end as on 31.08.2025 is 47.45MT as compared to 37.19MT of the same period last year with a growth of 27.59%. At the level of actual consumption, this stock is sufficient for 22 days (2.10 MT/day Consumption).

3. Further, I would like to highlight the following major developments during the month of August, 2025:

- i. **Commercial Coal Mining:** The 13<sup>th</sup> round of Commercial Coal Mining Auctions was launched on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025. The event also included a road show for promotion of Coal Gasification, (both surface and underground coal gasification).
- ii. **Execution of Mine Agreements:** Coal Mine Development and Production Agreements (CMDPA) have been executed for 7 coal mines under the 12<sup>th</sup> round of Commercial Coal Mine Auctions and for 4 coal mines auctioned under the second attempt of 10<sup>th</sup> round of Commercial Coal Mine Auctions.

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- iii. **Coal Gasification Scheme:** Under this scheme, seven projects have been selected, with ₹6,133.06 crore earmarked to support their implementation. To facilitate smoother implementation of the scheme, Coal Gasification Plant Development and Production Agreements (CGPDPA) have been signed with all seven developers across three categories, targeting implementation by FY 2030.
- iv. **Jharia Master Plan:** Ministry of Coal has created a separate Jharia Master Plan Cell, under the Project Advisor in Ministry of Coal for monitoring its implementation and has prepared timelines for all action items. Further, the Ministry is regularly following up with the State Government of Jharkhand regarding the appointment of CEO, JRDA and formation of the Monitoring Committee under the co-chairmanship of the Secretary (Coal) and Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand, which is yet to be done. The post of CEO has been advertised by Government of Jharkhand. As part of the JRDA structure, the entire workforce positioning that was to be done by BCCL and Coal India has already been completed. Copy of my D.O. letter to C.S., Jharkhand in this regard is enclosed herewith.

Further, 1005 families have been relocated, with the remaining 14,075 to be shifted by June 2028. In addition, 24x7 ambulance service provided by BCCL for 5 years and two free buses have been made operational for the residents of Belgaria township. Rooftop Solar installations in 100 blocks have also been completed.

- v. **Strategic Partnerships and Innovation:**
  - a. **NLCIL-BARC MoU on Rare Earths:** NLC India Limited (NLCIL) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) to establish a pilot project at Neyveli for extracting rare earth elements from fly ash. This indigenous initiative strengthens critical mineral security, reduces import dependence, and advances self-reliance.

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- b. **CIL–Government of Madhya Pradesh Collaboration:** On 23 August 2025, Coal India Limited (CIL) has signed an MoU with the Mineral Resources Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh, and the Madhya Pradesh State Mining Corporation Limited to explore and exploit critical and other minerals in the state.

**vi. Sustainability, Governance and Digital Enablement:**

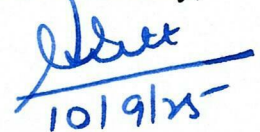
- a. **RECLAIM Framework Pilot:** The Coal Controller Organization under Ministry of Coal, has implemented the RECLAIM Framework in August 2025 at two mines of South Eastern Coalfields (SECL) namely Dhanpuri Opencast and Pinoura Underground mines in Madhya Pradesh. The pilot adopted a community-centric approach, placing local voices at the core through rapid assessments, focus group discussions, village mapping and issue identification.
- b. **New Digital Platforms for Smart Governance:** Aligning with the Government of India's vision for smart governance, the Coal Controller Organisation has developed a new website with an interactive dashboard to streamline access to services, approvals, and digital applications in the Coal and Lignite sector. The website features a digital Statistical Reporting System and a dynamic Statistics Dashboard that provides real-time categorized data. It is also integrated with the Single Window Clearance System and Star Rating Portal.

- vii. **GHG Emissions Measurement Project:** A project proposal titled "GHG Estimation from Abandoned Wells and Coal Mines," submitted by CMPDI in association with IIT (ISM), Dhanbad, under the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) has been approved by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC). The project aims to assess and refine methodologies for measuring fugitive greenhouse gas emissions in the coal mining sector and determine emission factors for fugitive emissions across active and abandoned opencast and underground coal mines.

- viii. **Mine Water Utilization:** CMPDI has conducted comprehensive mine utilization studies for all active and abandoned mine voids across CIL. The landmark report has identified 22 pilot project sites across six states for large-scale mine water treatment and utilization, targeting irrigation, potable water, bottled water. These initiatives advance India's commitments to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on Clean Water, Sanitation and Climate Action.
- ix. **Indigenous Mining Technology: SECL's Continuous Miner Deployment:** SECL has introduced the First Indigenous Continuous Mine (EIMCO Make) at NCPH New Mine of Chirimiri Area to support the Make in India Initiative. This will pave the way to "ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT" and reduce the import burden. With a successful trial, it may pave the path for transitioning India into a net-exporting economy for UG mining equipment.

*With sincere regards,*

Yours sincerely,

  
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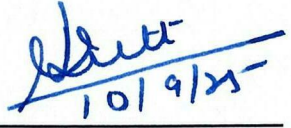
**M/o Coal, Part A (August, 2025)**

**Information to be provided monthly: Part A**

| # | Indicator                                       | Previous Month | Current Month | Current Month previous FY | Year To Date (Current FY)  | Year To Date (Previous FY) | % change in YTD from previous FY |
|---|---|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | Coal Production in million metric tonnes (MMT)  | 64.83          | 69.88         | 62.63                     | 381.84                     | 384.05                     | -0.57                            |
| 2 | Pithead closing stock (in MMT)                  | 108.07         | 100.60        | 78.11                     | 100.60                     | 78.11                      | 28.79                            |
| 3 | Dispatch to Thermal Power Plants (in MMT)       | 58.62          | 62.37         | 57.51                     | 333.72                     | 338.87                     | -1.52                            |
| 4 | Dispatch to Non-regulated Sector (NRS) (in MMT) | 15.04          | 15.27         | 12.97                     | 78.53                      | 75.38                      | 4.18                             |
| 5 | Output per man shift                            | 11.61 June 25@ | 9.08 July 25@ | 10.26 July 24@            | 11.37 April 25 to July 25@ | 11.82 April 24 to July 24  | -3.81                            |

**Footnote:** @- OMS data is being finalized after preparation of cost sheet. Coal production, Pithead closing stock and coal dispatch data are provisional.

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M/o Coal, Part C (August, 2025)

Information to be provided monthly: Part C

| #   | Indicator                               | Previous Month | Current Month | Current Month previous FY | Year To Date (Current FY) | Year To Date (Previous FY) | % change in YTD from previous FY |
|---|---|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1   | Production by commercial mines (in MMT) | 2.23           | 2.44          | 1.93                      | 12.00                     | 10.91                      | 9.99                             |
| Footnote: Coal production data is provisional |   |                |               |                           |                           |                            |                                  |

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D.O. No. 22020/02/2015-CRC-II

10<sup>th</sup> September, 2025

*Dear Madam,*

I would like to draw your kind attention to my earlier D.O. letter no. 22020/02/2015-CRC-II dated 3rd July 2025, regarding the Revised Jharia Master Plan, which was approved by the Union Cabinet on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025. I have periodically reviewed the progress of the action points that are the responsibility of BCCL and the Government of Jharkhand. While work on the short term action points (to be completed within six months) has been initiated by BCCL and DC Dhanbad, it is imperative that the institutional mechanisms that have been approved as part of the Cabinet decision are put in place at the earliest to ensure that the stipulated timelines are duly met.

2. The immediate priority is the strengthening of the Jharia Rehabilitation and Development Authority (JRDA). In addition, a Monitoring Committee under the co-chairmanship of the Secretary (Coal) and the Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand is to be constituted by the Govt of Jharkhand which would then meet on a regular basis to monitor the progress of implementation of the revised JMP.

3. The appointment of a Chief Executive Officer (Retired/Serving) of a Joint Secretary level from the Government of Jharkhand, and other officials to be positioned in the JRDA such as Director (Estate and R & R), Circle Officer, Revenue Inspectors, and Amin are required to be in position urgently to start working on the identified components. I may mention that the entire workforce positioning that was to be done by Coal India and BCCL has already been completed.

4. You would appreciate that Jharia Master Plan implementation is not only a key priority of the Central Government, but would benefit the residents of Jharia immensely. I request your cooperation in ensuring that the plan can be implemented in its true letter and spirit at the earliest.

*With best wishes,*

Yours sincerely,

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D.O. No. 22020/02/2015-CRC-II

3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2025

*Dear Madam,*

It gives me great satisfaction to share with you that the Revised Jharia Master Plan (JMP) has been approved by the Union Cabinet on 25th June 2025. I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for the continued support extended and valuable inputs given by the Government of Jharkhand and the JRDA in this endeavour.

2. One of the key decisions, inter-alia, in the Revised JMP is the appointment of a Joint Secretary level officer (serving or retired) as CEO for JRDA which is to be done by the Govt of Jharkhand. In this regard, it is requested to complete the process of strengthening of the JRDA on priority, which is a sine-qua-non for timely implementation of the Revised JMP.

3. Further, the successful execution of the Revised JMP would require active coordination and support of the State Government on key action points, particularly in areas requiring inter-departmental coordination, such as the upgradation of infrastructure and improvement of basic amenities at rehabilitation sites. Some of the key components are notification of Belgaria Township as a Municipal body, provision of essential services including PHCs, schools, and ICDS centres, approval of electricity and water infrastructure from Damodar River, and waiver of stamp and registration duties for houses to be allotted on long-term lease which fall under the domain of the State Government.

4. In addition, the Union Cabinet has also approved the setting up of a Monitoring Committee, at the Apex level, to be co-chaired by Secretary, Coal and Chief Secretary, Jharkhand to review the progress of implementation of the Revised JMP every quarter. Further, an Implementation Committee has been constituted to be headed by CEO, JRDA which would be primarily responsible for timebound implementation of the plan and rigorous monitoring of the progress on ground.

5. As you are aware, this is a project of national importance, directly impacting the safety, resettlement, and quality of life for thousands of affected families. I request your kind intervention to ensure that the necessary institutional and administrative measures are put in place at the earliest, so that we may collectively work towards providing a dignified and secure future to the displaced communities.

*With sincere regards,*

Yours sincerely,

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