

1. CIL touched 479 MT of coal production during the nine months of current fiscal year. This marked a 16 per cent growth over the same period last year and was the highest for this period in the last three years. Compared to the April-December period of 2019, the company's coal production grew by 23 per cent. CIL said that the production of 66.4 MT for December 2022 was the highest this fiscal year, so far.

Source: Business Standard, Dtd: 3rd Jan. 2023

2. The ministry of coal announced 19 additional First Mile Connectivity (FMC) projects for Coal India and SCCL with a capacity of 330 MT by the FY 2026-2027. The ministry has already undertaken 55 FMC projects of 526 MTPA capacity with an investment of Rs. 18000 crore, out of which eight projects of 95.5 MTPA capacity have been commissioned and the remaining will be commissioned by FY2025.

Source: Mint, Dtd: 3rd Jan. 2023

3. Coal is still KING. More than any other fuel, coal generated 35% of the world's electricity in 2020. Even in the U.S., coal was expected to generate 23% of nation's electricity in 2021 which was 19% in 2020. Coal supplies the world with 27% of its energy needs. China and India alone consumed 66% of the world's coal in 2020 and supplies at least 55% of their total energy needs.

Source : www.powermag.com, Dtd: 3rd Jan. 2023

4. To an appeal of Tata Power Co. Ltd. against the tariff fixed by Power Ministry after the directive last year, forced them to keep operating to avert a power crisis in the country, CERC said that Power tariffs for plants using imported coal should cover their costs as well as a reasonable profit margin.

Source: www.thehindu.com, Dtd: 4th Jan. 2023

5. As per Power Ministry, energy demand has increased sharply, and it is expected to remain at increased level during first half of FY 2023-24. Estimated domestic coal supply of 392 MT during the first half to the end of September is expected to fall short of demand by 24 MT. Hence, Government has asked GENCOS to import 6% of their coal requirements until September 2023. Power Ministry also warned them if import target is not met, domestic supplies could be curtailed.

Source: www.newindianexpress.com, Dtd: 10th Jan. 2023

6. The Coal Secretary said Government aims to have a stock of around 118 MT of domestic coal in the country by the end of the current financial year

(FY23) in a bid to avert a crisis during the peak power demand period of April-May. He also said that out of the total projected stock, 45 MT is estimated to be at the thermal power plants, 65 MT across the pitheads of Coal India and around 8 MT in transit.

Source: www.livemint.com, Dtd: 12th Jan. 2023

7. As per CIL Chairman, CIL should aim at providing electricity to the country at "Just Price" as 80 per cent of the company's supplies is directly towards coal based power plant. He further said "All the three performance parameters -- production of 479 MT, supplies of 508 MT and OBR of 1,155 M, Cu.M, till December, were ahead of the respective progressive targets. What makes this milestone special is the formidable scale of targets, which we were able to breach. However, much more needs to be done".

Source: www.outlookindia.com, Dtd: 15th Jan. 2023

8. Indian Railways is planning to introduce multiple wagon tipplers to speed up the coal distribution network across the country. A senior Indian Railways officer said "The technology of multiple wagon tipplers is widely used in Japan, and we are working to bring it to India. Three coal wagons can be tipped at one point. This will drastically improve the supply chain of coal across the country".

Source: www.thehindubusinessline.com, Dtd: 17th Jan. 2023

9. India's coal-fired plants, which account for more than 70% of national power output, may have to increase imports by 50% to 60% in April-December 2023. Coal imports by Indian utilities more than doubled to 42 MT during the first eight months of this fiscal year, compared with the year-ago period, despite an 11.9% increase in domestic coal supplies to utilities. While the government this month lowered its economic growth forecast for this fiscal year to 7%, India is still one of the best performers among G20 economies. Electricity generation has increased to about 15% in November and December versus average annual growth of 9.6%.

Source: www.businesstoday.in, Dtd: 17th Jan. 2023

10. Government has set a coal production target of more than one billion tonnes (BT) for the next financial year. CIL has been given the task to produce 780 MT of coal, followed by 75 MT for SCCL and 162 MT for captive and commercial mines.

Source: www.business-standard.com, Dtd: 18th Jan. 2023



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ACPS National Chairman

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