

## Coal India

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# New volume target: 1bn tonnes by 2019

- New BJP-led government has set a steep output target of 1bn tonnes, a 17% CAGR, for CIL over the next 5 years
- Improvement in CIL's volumes a must for the government to meet its target to ensure 24/7 power supply across India
- In this report we look at milestones central to volume growth over the next 18 months; reaffirming Buy and target price

Target (INR): 420.00 → 420.00

Upside: 13.7%

31 Oct price (INR): 369.35

- 1 Buy (unchanged)
- 2 Outperform
- 3 Hold
- 4 Underperform
- 5 Sell

How do we justify our view?



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### What's new

India's new BJP-led government has set a target for Coal India (CIL) to achieve production volumes of 1bn tpa by 2019 (a 17% CAGR), in order to meet the government's ambitious target to ensure a 24/7 power supply across India in the next 5 years.

### What's the impact

In this report we look in detail at the important milestones that will have to be met over the next 18 months if CIL is to meet this ambitious target.

### Government's planned steps

**include:** 1) streamlining the process for environmental and forest approvals, 2) requiring the Ministry of Coal to support CIL to coordinate with the ministries and state governments to expedite approvals, 3) expediting the 3 critical rail lines in Jharkhand, Odisha and Chhattisgarh, 4) finalising mine developer and operator (MDO)

contracts, and 5) easing land laws to hasten land acquisitions.

### Key milestones to be met: 3 months – 1) transfer the environmental clearance (EC) process online, 2) finalise the MDO document; 6 months – 1) CIL to invest INR50bn to purchase 250 rakes and then coordinate with Indian Railways and issue tenders, 2) resolve land acquisition issues for key mining and rail projects, which would be boosted if the Jharkhand state election were to favour the BJP (see full list of milestones, page 8).

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### What we recommend

We reaffirm our Buy (1) rating and maintain our DCF-based 6-month target price of INR420, as CIL looks well placed to gain from the steps being taken by the government to step-up coal volumes significantly, which should aid a recovery in its earnings growth. The pending stake sale by the government remains a near-term risk to our call.

### How we differ

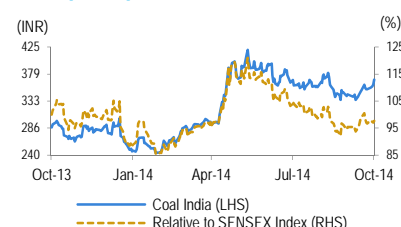
We are more positive vs. consensus on volumes, CIL's ability to manage costs, and its ability to raise prices.

#### Forecast revisions (%)

Year to 31 Mar	15E	16E	17E
Revenue change	(1.2)	0.1	1.1
Net profit change	(3.8)	(1.1)	(0.5)
Core EPS (FD) change	(3.8)	(1.1)	(0.5)

Source: Daiwa forecasts

#### Share price performance



12-month range	243.60-420.25
Market cap (USDbn)	38.00
3m avg daily turnover (USDm)	18.71
Shares outstanding (m)	6,316
Major shareholder	President of India (90.0%)

#### Financial summary (INR)

Year to 31 Mar	15E	16E	17E
Revenue (m)	735,855	812,132	899,443
Operating profit (m)	168,187	205,028	214,119
Net profit (m)	168,376	195,118	210,708
Core EPS (fully-diluted)	26.657	30.891	33.359
EPS change (%)	11.5	15.9	8.0
Daiwa vs Cons. EPS (%)	1.1	3.6	3.1
PER (x)	13.9	12.0	11.1
Dividend yield (%)	3.6	4.2	4.5
DPS	13.329	15.445	16.680
PBR (x)	4.7	4.0	3.5
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.2	7.1	6.3
ROE (%)	36.6	36.3	33.8

Source: FactSet, Daiwa forecasts

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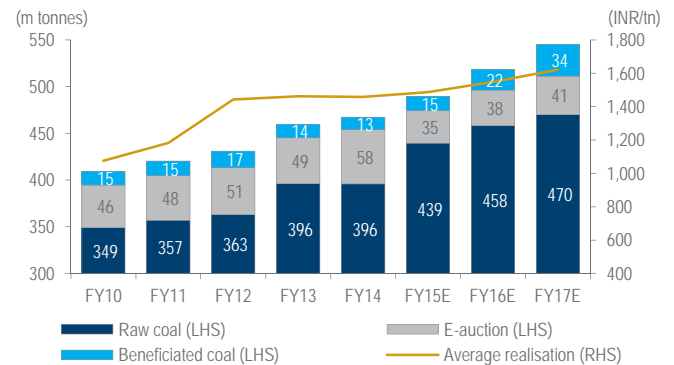
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- Growth outlook ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
- Valuation ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
- Earnings revisions ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

■ Growth outlook ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

On the back of our forecast for 5-6% CAGRs in production and dispatches over FY14-17E and a 3.5% blended ASP CAGR, we forecast CIL's revenue to rise at a CAGR of 9.3% over FY14-17, and its earnings to increase at an 11.7% CAGR over the same period.

■ CIL: sales mix and blended ASPs



Source: Company, Daiwa forecasts

■ Valuation ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

Our 6-month target price for CIL remains INR420, reflecting increases in our long-term projections for production and sales volumes and pricing within our DCF valuation. We believe DCF is the most appropriate valuation methodology for CIL, as it captures the long-term earnings potential of the company's large coal reserves, which we believe are likely to be realised by a rise in production.

■ CIL: DCF valuation

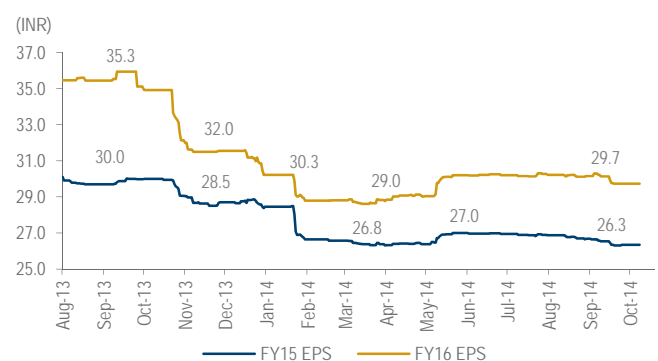
Sum of present value to FY30E (INRbn)	1,877
Less: net debt (INRbn)	(768)
Equity value (INRbn)	2,645
No. of shares (bn)	6.3
Value (INR/share)	420
Target price (INR)	420

Source: Daiwa forecasts

■ Earnings revisions ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

The Bloomberg consensus FY15-16E EPS have been revised down by 12-16% over the past 12 months, we believe largely to build in the volume disappointments, cost pressure on the back of increases in diesel costs and costs relating to contractual workers, and the company's inability to completely pass these costs through as price increases. We are less negative than the consensus on all these fronts and as such, our EPS forecasts are 1-4% above the consensus numbers for FY15-16.

■ CIL: consensus EPS forecasts for FY15 and FY16



Source: Bloomberg

## Financial summary

### ■ Key assumptions

Year to 31 Mar	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2016E	2017E
Coal Production (m tonnes)	431.3	431.3	435.8	452.2	462.4	492.9	523.4	553.8
Coal Dispatch (m tonnes)	415.1	424.5	433.1	466.2	471.5	495.1	524.8	554.7
Coal avg. blended price per tonnes (INR)	1,074.7	1,183.3	1,443.8	1,462.7	1,459.2	1,486.4	1,547.6	1,621.6

### ■ Profit and loss (INRm)

Year to 31 Mar	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2016E	2017E
Coal Revenues	446,153	502,330	625,266	681,930	687,978	735,855	812,132	899,443
Other Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>446,153</b>	<b>502,330</b>	<b>625,266</b>	<b>681,930</b>	<b>687,978</b>	<b>735,855</b>	<b>812,132</b>	<b>899,443</b>
Other income	27,362	12,150	3,810	(4,939)	(927)	0	0	0
COGS	(298,739)	(312,360)	(394,507)	(423,407)	(448,864)	(472,299)	(504,272)	(575,206)
SG&A	(19,336)	(22,316)	(21,966)	(26,332)	(26,919)	(28,265)	(29,678)	(30,569)
Other op. expenses	(66,297)	(62,813)	(74,671)	(65,781)	(71,854)	(67,103)	(73,153)	(79,549)
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>89,142</b>	<b>116,992</b>	<b>137,932</b>	<b>161,470</b>	<b>139,414</b>	<b>168,187</b>	<b>205,028</b>	<b>214,119</b>
Net-interest inc./(exp.)	25,575	29,074	50,116	59,788	52,704	47,043	51,877	62,136
Assoc/forex/extraord./others	24,928	18,604	25,789	27,434	36,554	36,077	34,316	38,234
<b>Pre-tax profit</b>	<b>139,646</b>	<b>164,670</b>	<b>213,838</b>	<b>248,693</b>	<b>228,672</b>	<b>251,307</b>	<b>291,221</b>	<b>314,489</b>
Tax	(43,425)	(55,959)	(64,845)	(76,227)	(77,679)	(82,931)	(96,103)	(103,781)
Min. int./pref. div./others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Net profit (reported)</b>	<b>96,221</b>	<b>108,711</b>	<b>148,994</b>	<b>172,466</b>	<b>150,993</b>	<b>168,376</b>	<b>195,118</b>	<b>210,708</b>
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<b>DPS (INR)</b>	<b>3.499</b>	<b>3.900</b>	<b>10.000</b>	<b>14.000</b>	<b>29.000</b>	<b>13.329</b>	<b>15.445</b>	<b>16.680</b>
<b>EBIT</b>	<b>89,142</b>	<b>116,992</b>	<b>137,932</b>	<b>161,470</b>	<b>139,414</b>	<b>168,187</b>	<b>205,028</b>	<b>214,119</b>
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>102,281</b>	<b>134,646</b>	<b>157,625</b>	<b>179,600</b>	<b>159,378</b>	<b>187,409</b>	<b>225,425</b>	<b>235,691</b>

### ■ Cash flow (INRm)

Year to 31 Mar	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2016E	2017E
Profit before tax	139,646	164,670	213,838	248,693	228,672	251,307	291,221	314,489
Depreciation and amortisation	6,750	17,654	19,692	18,387	19,959	19,222	20,397	21,572
Tax paid	(39,990)	(56,228)	(67,044)	(86,517)	(88,264)	(82,931)	(96,103)	(103,781)
Change in working capital	(1,310)	(43,284)	35,647	(68,390)	2,442	36,878	57,370	44,611
Other operational CF items	(24,719)	(24,803)	(52,260)	(81,965)	(70,390)	(46,935)	(51,769)	(62,028)
<b>Cash flow from operations</b>	<b>80,377</b>	<b>58,008</b>	<b>149,874</b>	<b>30,208</b>	<b>92,419</b>	<b>177,540</b>	<b>221,115</b>	<b>214,862</b>
Capex	(19,804)	(25,682)	(34,094)	(24,540)	(41,164)	(40,000)	(40,000)	(35,000)
Net (acquisitions)/disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other investing CF items	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cash flow from investing</b>	<b>(19,804)</b>	<b>(25,682)</b>	<b>(34,094)</b>	<b>(24,540)</b>	<b>(41,164)</b>	<b>(40,000)</b>	<b>(40,000)</b>	<b>(35,000)</b>
Change in debt	(616)	(5,035)	(2,474)	(2,287)	(12,634)	0	0	0
Net share issues/(repurchases)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dividends paid	(22,100)	(25,832)	(74,291)	(79,070)	(242,430)	(96,816)	(112,193)	(121,157)
Other financing CF items	28,031	30,346	53,435	62,938	54,715	47,043	51,877	62,136
<b>Cash flow from financing</b>	<b>5,315</b>	<b>(522)</b>	<b>(23,330)</b>	<b>(18,418)</b>	<b>(200,349)</b>	<b>(49,773)</b>	<b>(60,316)</b>	<b>(59,021)</b>
Forex effect/others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Change in cash</b>	<b>65,888</b>	<b>31,804</b>	<b>92,449</b>	<b>(12,750)</b>	<b>(149,093)</b>	<b>87,767</b>	<b>120,799</b>	<b>120,841</b>
Free cash flow	60,573	32,326	115,780	5,669	51,256	137,540	181,115	179,862

Source: FactSet, Daiwa forecasts

## Financial summary continued ...

### ■ Balance sheet (INRm)

As at 31 Mar	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2016E	2017E
Cash & short-term investment	390,782	458,064	582,028	622,360	523,895	611,586	732,277	853,010
Inventory	44,018	55,856	60,713	56,178	55,681	59,556	65,729	72,795
Accounts receivable	21,686	34,187	56,679	104,802	82,410	73,585	60,910	67,458
Other current assets	86,778	142,164	174,855	103,501	131,969	141,153	155,784	172,532
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>543,265</b>	<b>690,272</b>	<b>874,275</b>	<b>886,841</b>	<b>793,955</b>	<b>885,879</b>	<b>1,014,700</b>	<b>1,165,796</b>
Fixed assets	142,461	149,005	163,437	169,617	191,002	211,780	231,384	244,812
Goodwill & intangibles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other non-current assets	22,425	19,369	31,755	46,500	57,466	57,466	57,466	57,466
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>708,151</b>	<b>858,646</b>	<b>1,069,466</b>	<b>1,102,958</b>	<b>1,042,424</b>	<b>1,155,126</b>	<b>1,303,550</b>	<b>1,468,074</b>
Short-term debt	16,199	15,210	15,274	13,053	1,778	1,778	1,778	1,778
Accounts payable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other current liabilities	415,557	493,429	629,356	581,490	590,764	631,876	697,375	772,349
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>431,757</b>	<b>508,638</b>	<b>644,630</b>	<b>594,543</b>	<b>592,542</b>	<b>633,654</b>	<b>699,153</b>	<b>774,127</b>
Long-term debt	3,432	326	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other non-current liabilities	14,774	16,214	19,770	23,059	25,201	25,201	25,201	25,201
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>449,963</b>	<b>525,178</b>	<b>664,400</b>	<b>617,602</b>	<b>617,743</b>	<b>658,855</b>	<b>724,354</b>	<b>799,327</b>
Share capital	63,164	63,164	63,164	63,164	63,164	63,164	63,164	63,164
Reserves/R.E./others	194,789	269,978	341,367	421,556	360,881	432,472	515,397	604,948
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>	<b>257,952</b>	<b>333,142</b>	<b>404,530</b>	<b>484,720</b>	<b>424,045</b>	<b>495,635</b>	<b>578,560</b>	<b>668,111</b>
Minority interests	236	326	536	636	636	636	636	636
<b>Total equity &amp; liabilities</b>	<b>708,151</b>	<b>858,646</b>	<b>1,069,466</b>	<b>1,102,958</b>	<b>1,042,424</b>	<b>1,155,126</b>	<b>1,303,550</b>	<b>1,468,074</b>
EV	1,962,035	1,890,747	1,766,731	1,724,278	1,811,468	1,723,778	1,603,086	1,482,353
<b>Net debt/(cash)</b>	<b>(371,151)</b>	<b>(442,529)</b>	<b>(566,754)</b>	<b>(609,307)</b>	<b>(522,117)</b>	<b>(609,807)</b>	<b>(730,499)</b>	<b>(851,232)</b>
<b>BVPS (INR)</b>	<b>40.839</b>	<b>52.743</b>	<b>64.045</b>	<b>76.740</b>	<b>67.134</b>	<b>78.468</b>	<b>91.597</b>	<b>105.775</b>

### ■ Key ratios (%)

Year to 31 Mar	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2016E	2017E
Sales (YoY)	15.0	12.6	24.5	9.1	0.9	7.0	10.4	10.8
EBITDA (YoY)	324.5	31.6	17.1	13.9	(11.3)	17.6	20.3	4.6
Operating profit (YoY)	1,094.0	31.2	17.9	17.1	(13.7)	20.6	21.9	4.4
Net profit (YoY)	363.2	13.0	37.1	15.8	(12.5)	11.5	15.9	8.0
Core EPS (fully-diluted) (YoY)	363.2	13.0	37.1	15.8	(12.5)	11.5	15.9	8.0
Gross-profit margin	33.0	37.8	36.9	37.9	34.8	35.8	37.9	36.0
EBITDA margin	22.9	26.8	25.2	26.3	23.2	25.5	27.8	26.2
Operating-profit margin	20.0	23.3	22.1	23.7	20.3	22.9	25.2	23.8
Net profit margin	21.6	21.6	23.8	25.3	21.9	22.9	24.0	23.4
ROAE	43.0	36.8	40.4	38.8	33.2	36.6	36.3	33.8
ROAA	14.5	13.9	15.5	15.9	14.1	15.3	15.9	15.2
ROCE	36.4	37.3	35.9	35.2	30.1	36.4	38.0	34.2
ROIC	(61.9)	(69.6)	(71.0)	(78.4)	(83.2)	(106.8)	(103.7)	(86.0)
Net debt to equity	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Effective tax rate	31.1	34.0	30.3	30.7	34.0	33.0	33.0	33.0
Accounts receivable (days)	16.4	20.3	26.5	43.2	49.7	38.7	30.2	26.0
Current ratio (x)	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5
Net interest cover (x)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Net dividend payout	23.0	22.7	42.4	51.3	121.3	50.0	50.0	50.0
Free cash flow yield	2.6	1.4	5.0	0.2	2.2	5.9	7.8	7.7

Source: FactSet, Daiwa forecasts

### ■ Company profile

Coal India is the largest coal-mining company in the world in terms of raw coal production (463m tonnes for FY14), extractable coal reserves (21.75bn tonnes), and resources base (64.7bn tonnes).

## New volume target: 1bn tonnes by 2019

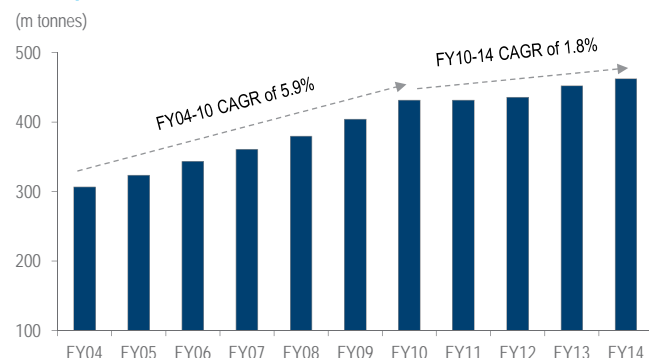
*The key focus of the new government is to revive the power sector, which calls for a ramp-up in coal production by CIL.*

### Structural changes under way

India's new BJP-led government's target of ensuring a 24/7 power supply availability across the country by 2019 would entail a significant increase in coal production – which in turn requires the government to facilitate faster coal production by CIL.

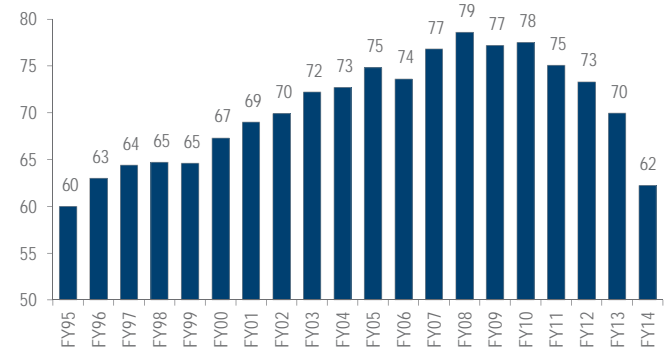
At present, CIL accounts for around 80% of India's coal output. Because CIL saw a subdued increase in production volumes (1.8% CAGR over FY10-14), the utilisation rate for India's coal-based power capacity fell to 62% for FY14 and coal-based power generation saw a CAGR of only 8.5%. This was despite a 70%-plus increase in its actual coal-based power-generation capacity (from 84GW to 145GW), which at the utilisation level of FY10 (78%) could have led to coal-based power generation a CAGR of 14.6%.

#### ■ CIL: production volume



Source: Company

#### ■ All India thermal PLF (%)



Source: Central Electricity Authority (CEA)

In line with the goal of power for all the government has put forward a steep target for CIL, requiring the company to meet a production level of 1bn tonnes by 2019, which would require its coal volumes to rise by a substantial 17% CAGR over the next 5 years, versus the company's own internal target of hitting close to 795m tonnes by 2019.

We published a report before the elections (which ran from 7 April to 12 May 2014) on the likely steps the new government may take ([What could change with the new government?, published on 14 May 2014](#)) and note that a number of the measures we highlighted have started to be implemented.

In addition to these measures, another solution to the coal problem that the government is contemplating is opening up the sector for commercial mining by private companies, and we detail the same in Appendix IV on page 21.

### New government's planned steps/ initiatives to increase coal volumes

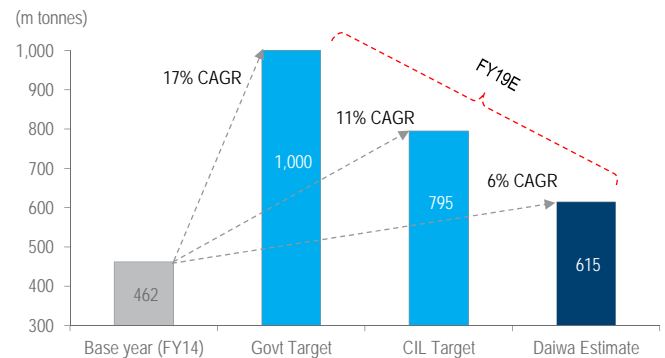
- Increase exploration capacity and target to complete detailed exploration of all available coal reserves.
- Simplify the procedure for forest clearance exploration and enable private-sector participation in exploration by evolving necessary contractual and incentive structures.
- Streamline the procedures for environmental, forestry and wildlife clearances; undertake a cluster approach in the clearance process.
- Increase the use of technology to make the approval process more efficient and easy to monitor, and incorporate best practices from various states.
- Resolve issues pertaining to inviolate areas (ie, forest areas allocated as conservation sites) and the Cumulative Environmental Pollution Index (CEPI), and the issue related to criminal prosecution of

officials of CIL and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL). The necessary clarification and guidelines regarding inviolate areas need to be issued expeditiously.

- Ministry of Coal to support CIL to coordinate with related ministries to expedite approvals.
- Hasten completion of the 3 critical rail lines in Jharkhand, Odisha and Chhattisgarh.
- Resolve the issues relating to the transportation of coal by ex-servicemen agencies with the Ministry of Defence.
- Improve efficiency, mechanisation and technology upgrades for exploration and mining operations.
- CIL to achieve 100% crushing of coal by December 2014 in order to improve its coal quality.
- Finalise bulk MDO contracts and model concession agreements for PPPs in mining to boost efficiency and expertise.
- Ensure a strict implementation of mine-closure policies and thorough monitoring by third-party agencies when carrying out scientific closure of exhausted mines. Such areas could be used for afforestation, public utility services and renewable energy, etc.
- Examine the issue of the transfer of coal-bearing areas under the Coal Bearing Act to build the framework for a comprehensive policy.

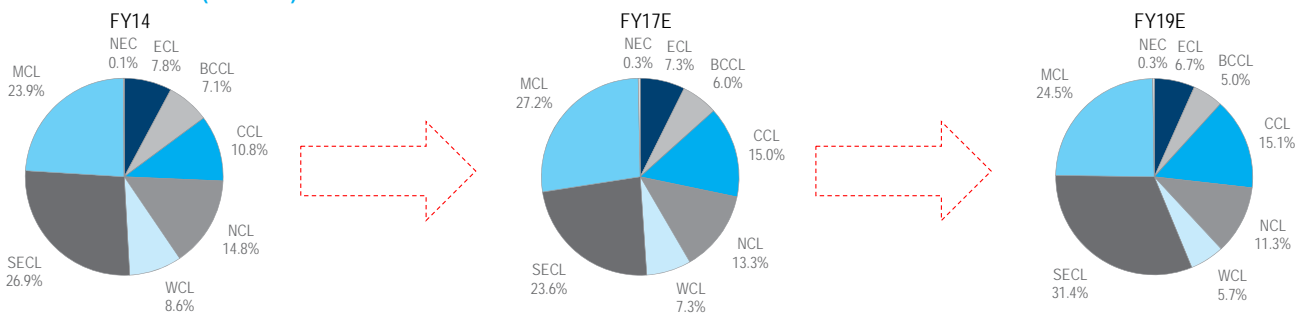
We have not yet incorporated the new government's or the company's optimistic volume targets into our volume forecasts for the company. But we have looked in detail at the key milestones CIL needs to meet over the next 3-18 months in order to accelerate its volume growth, and depending on the company's progress on many of these issues, we may revisit our volume targets for CIL.

■ **CIL: coal production volume targets**



Source: Company, Daiwa forecasts

■ **CIL: mix subsidiaries (FY14-19)**

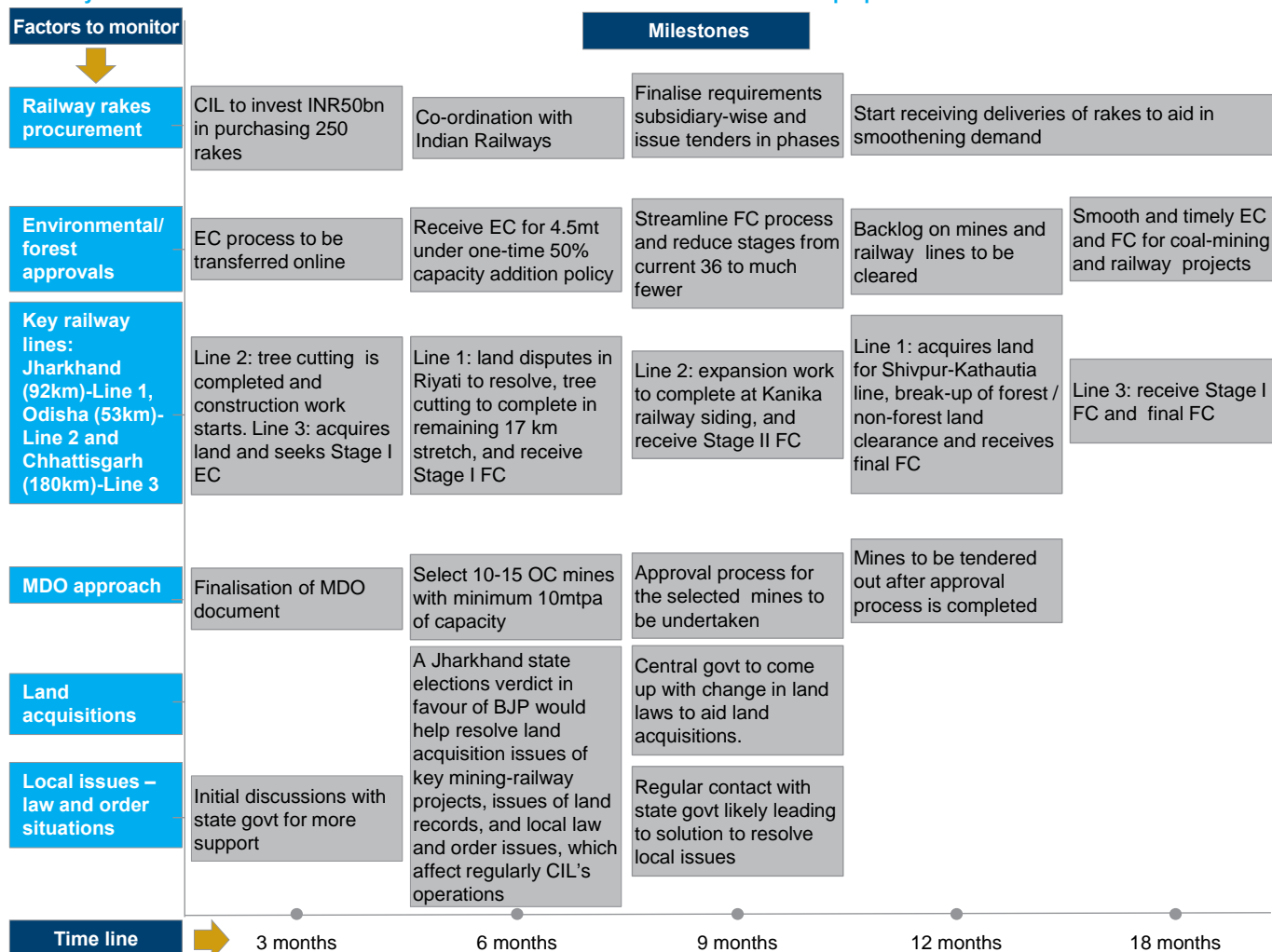


Source: Company

Note: Based on CIL target of 795m tonnes. ECL=Eastern Coalfields Ltd, CCL=Central Coalfields Ltd, BCCL=Bharat Coking Coal Ltd, NCL=Northern Coalfields Ltd, WCL=Western Coalfields Ltd, SECL=South Eastern Coalfields Ltd, NEC=North Eastern Coalfields Ltd



■ **CIL: key factors to monitor and milestones over next 18 months to assess volume ramp-up**



Source: Daiwa

■ **CIL: scenario for earnings and value – based on targets by the government, CIL and Daiwa**

	FY14 (Base year)	FY19E		
		Govt target	CIL target	Daiwa estimate
Production (m tonnes)	462	1,000	795	615
CAGR (%)	-	17%	11%	6%
Avg. incremental volume p.a.(m tonnes)	-	100	70	30
Revenue (INRbn)	688	1,645	1,332	1,040
CAGR (%)	-	19%	14%	9%
EPS (INR)	24	90	65	40
CAGR (%)	-	30%	22%	11%
Value/share (INR)	-	850*	630*	420
Upside (%)	369**	129%	70%	14%

Source: Company, Daiwa forecasts

Note: \*Value arrived at based on volume target as per government/company \*\* Based on share price as at 31 October 2014



## Environment and forest approvals

### Current status

CIL currently has 148 ongoing projects (key projects with capex of over INR20m), whose progress the company is monitoring and which will be incremental contributors to its production volumes. The company's targets for these projects implies that they should account for 67% of its total production volumes by FY17. Regarding the MoEF's approvals for these projects, those that have so far received both environment clearance (EC) and forest clearance (FC) account for only 48% of the total capacity (as shown in the table below).

#### ■ CIL: update on 148 ongoing projects

	Number	Capacity (mt)	FY15E (mt)	FY17E (mt)
EC and FC received	95	232.73	154.28	174.81
EC pending and FC received	4	6.28	2.36	4.06
FC pending and EC received	27	171.79	131.24	172.61
EC and FC pending	22	73.26	8.40	57.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>484.06</b>	<b>296.28</b>	<b>408.68</b>

Source: Company, MoEF

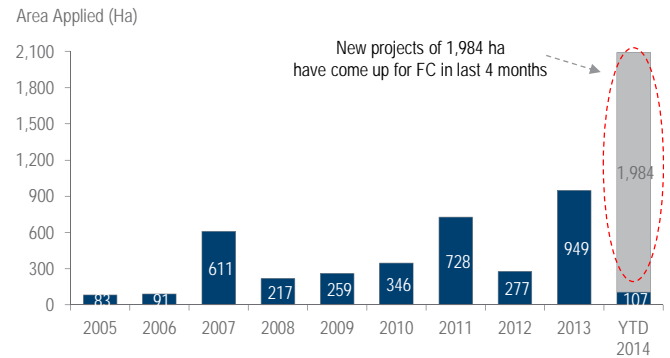
We have looked at the progress of the approvals for EC and FC, which are at various stages, and detail our findings below. While our conclusion is that the government is structurally trying to reengineer the process by introducing technology as well as working on simplifying the process, on the ground progress to date has been limited.

Also, there has been a marked decline in final approvals that have gone through over the past 3-4 months, while a large number of projects have come up for approval.

- New projects comprising 1,984ha have come up for FC, the largest amount of projects (in hectare terms) for which FC has been sought in the past 9 years.
- In EC, 13m tonnes of projects have had final EC granted.
- Every stage of EC has seen approvals over the past 3-4 months, ie, awaiting terms of reference (TOR), TOR granted, awaiting EC and final EC.

Of the 1,984ha of projects pending FC approval [check], 595ha is for the Pundi Opencast Project (OCP) in Jharkhand (CCL), 425ha belongs to the Nigahi project in Madhya Pradesh (NCL), and 325ha is for the Jamuna underground (UG) mine in Madhya Pradesh (SECL).

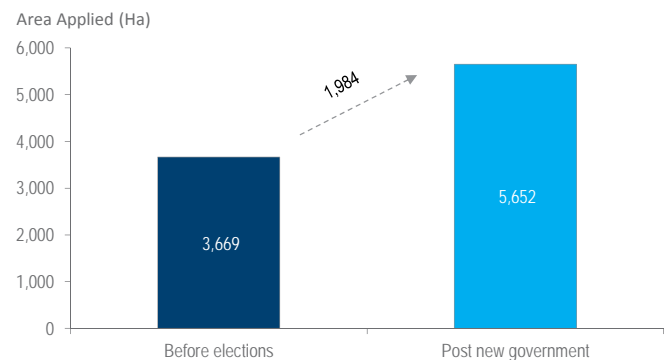
#### ■ CIL: projects awaiting stage-1 forestry clearance



Source: MoEF

Note: Data is for the land areas for which forestry clearance has been applied

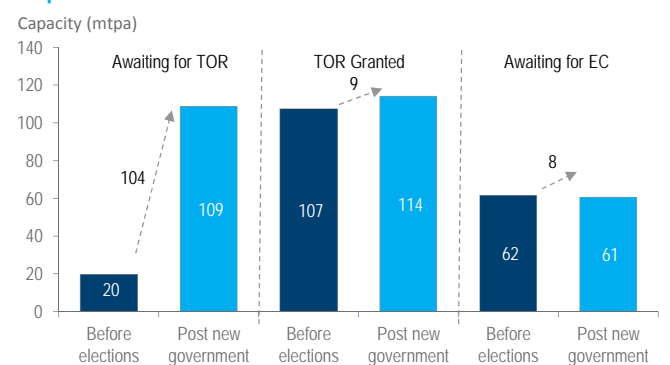
#### ■ CIL: projects awaiting stage I approval of the forestry clearance process



Source: MoEF

The number of projects awaiting EC has increased from 189m tonnes to 284m tonnes over the past 3 to 4 months. This marked increase is due mainly to the new projects for which EC has been applied, ie, 104m tonnes. Of this 104m tonnes of new projects, 50m tonnes has been applied for the Siarmal opencast mine in Orissa (MCL) and 44m tonnes for the Kusmunda opencast expansion project in Chhattisgarh (SECL).

#### ■ CIL: projects awaiting approval at various stages of the EC process

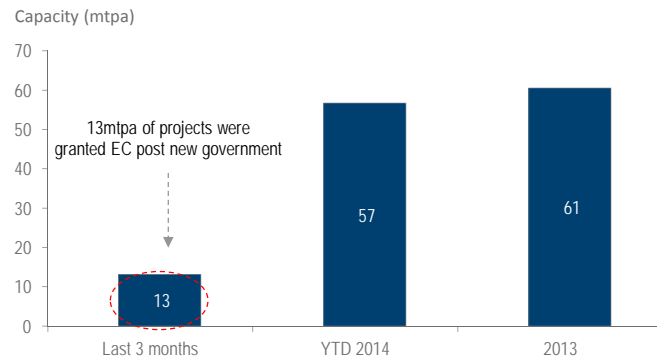


Source: MoEF

Note: 104m tonnes of new projects have come for EC. 8.5m tonnes of projects granted TOR and 13.2m tonnes of project granted EC. Period - 2005 to date; TOR = Terms of reference; EC = environmental clearance

Some 13m tonnes of projects have received final EC over the past 3 months. Of this 13m tonnes, the Lakhanpur OCP expansion was granted EC for 5m tonnes and Piparwar OCP for 3m tonnes.

■ **CIL: environmental clearance granted in past 18 months**



Source: MoEF

**Steps taken by the new government:**

**1. Online system for forest approvals**

The Online Submission and Monitoring of Forest Clearance Proposal (OSMFCP) system was introduced with both offline and online modes in mid-July, and became completely online in mid-August. It is a single-window online system for submission and monitoring of FC proposals. The system automates the entire system of tracking of proposals, which includes online submission of a new proposal, editing and updating the details, and displaying the status of each proposal at various stages.

This online system is intended to bring in more transparency, efficiency and accountability in the granting of FCs.

- It features a user friendly portal, which is easy to access, and can view the status and recommendations of the projects.
- It aims to minimise the need for human interface between user agencies (project applicants) and MoEF officials both at the central and state levels.
- It enables the real-time monitoring of proposals.

We provide further details in Appendices I and II of this report.

**2. One-time 50% capacity expansion without the need for a public hearing**

In December 2012, MoEF issued guidelines to grant EC to existing coal mine projects seeking to expand their production capacity at one time by 25% within the same mining lease area without holding a public hearing. Later, at the request of the Coal Ministry, it

was deemed that 25% capacity expansion was insufficient in absolute terms for the smaller coal mines.

Then, in January 2014, MoEF further relaxed the capacity expansion conditions for mines with capacities of up to 8mtpa. As per the new rules, coal mine projects with capacities of up to 8mtpa can opt for a one-time capacity expansion of 50% or 1mtpa, whichever is higher, within the same mining lease area. For mines with capacities of more than 8mtpa, the 25% one-time capacity expansion rule still applies.

In July 2014, MoEF relaxed the norms for mining projects with production capacities of more than 16mtpa. These projects are permitted to expand their capacity by up to 5mtpa within the same mining lease area without the need to hold a public hearing.

In September 2014, the rules were further relaxed for projects with production capacity of more than 20mtpa. For such projects, capacity expansion of up to 6mtpa within the same mining lease area is possible without the need to hold a public hearing.

In August 2014, 2 projects, ie, the Lajkura OCP (1.5m tonnes) and the Belpahar OCP (3m tonnes) in Odisha submitted proposals for EC for a one-time 50% capacity expansion at the existing coal mines.

We give more details in Appendix III of this report.

**Other likely steps in the next few months**

- MoEF is working to simplify the procedure for FC exploration purposes.
- It is also working to streamline the procedures for environmental, forestry and wildlife clearances, to undertake a cluster approach in the clearance process.
- It is also working on resolving issues pertaining to inviolate areas and the CEPI, and the issue related to criminal prosecution of officials of CIL and SCCL. The necessary clarification and guidelines need to be issued expeditiously.
- It is streamlining the FC process to reduce the stages from the current 36 to many fewer stages.
- It plans to clear the backlog on mines and railway lines.
- It aims to implement a smooth and timely EC and FC for coal mining and railway projects.

## Issues relating to land acquisitions that needed to be addressed

- Delays in notifications by the state government.
- Delays in the authentication of land and obtaining land records from states known as Record of Rights (RoR) caused by problems in ascertaining the actual ownership of the land.
- Delays in resettlement and rehabilitation.
- Delays in obtaining physical possession of land due to the reluctance of project-affected people to shift.

## Evacuation infrastructure

### Enhancing the evacuation infrastructure is also key

As more than 50% of CIL's volumes are dependent on the Indian Railways, the government is taking steps to complete rapidly 3-4 railways lines, in order to provide evacuation infrastructure (ie, rail connections) to the major coal fields in Jharkhand (North Karanpura), Odisha (IB Valley and Talcher) and Chhattisgarh (Mand-Raigarh), which have a combined capacity of over 300mtpa coal production. These fields have not been able to be developed to their full potential due to a lack of evacuation infrastructure.

#### ■ Critical rail links

Rail Link	Tori - Shivpur - Kathautia	Jharsuguda - Gopalpur	Bhupdeopur - Korichappur	Talcher
Coal field	North Karanpura	IB Valley	Mand-Raigarh	Talcher
Coal subsidiary	CCL	MCL	SECL	MCL
State	Jharkhand	Odisha	Chhattisgarh	Odisha
Length of rail link(km)	92	53	180	327
Type of link	Triple line	Double line	Double line	Single and Double line
Project cost (INRbn)	35	10	25	
Area granted for FC(Ha)	377.9	75.8	NA	1.2(Talcher-Angul)
Volumes mine wise(mtpa)	Magadh(20), Amrapali(12), Pachra(15), Koedmanatu(10)	Basundhara(7), Garjanbahal(10), Siarmal(14), kulda(10-15), Chaturdhara(4)	Chhal, Barud, Rai West, Chimta pani, Pilma, Nagdharna, Kusum ghat, Jeem pali; over all 40-50mt will benefit for 13-5 Plan	Whole talcher field will benefit out of this line
Dependency on volumes(mtpa)	80-100	50	40-50	NA
<b>Milestones</b>				
Proposal physically received on	Jul-08	Jul-13	NA	Oct-07
Stage I FC	Apr-11	Dec-13	NA	Mar-10
Stage II FC	Jun-13	In-Principal	NA	Granted
Stage II EC	Granted	Dec-13	NA	NA
Current status	Transfer of Gari Majurwa Khas and Gari Majurwa Jungle Jhari Pending. Tree cutting pending in 17 kms stretch.	Land acquisition issues, tree felling is ongoing. Stage II FC obtained for 0.89ha in Sundergarh	Coal and Railways ministers met and officials visited Chhattisgarh and resolved pending matters in 1st week of June	Work in 4km is held up for land and R&R related issues
Expected project completion date	Jul-17	Sep-16	Dec-16	NA

Source: Company, MoEF, various media reports

## Update on Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC)

The EDFC is a 1,839km long route stretching from Dankuni in West Bengal to Ludhiana in Punjab, which is spread across the northern region of U.P., Haryana, Punjab, Jharkhand and West Bengal. The EDFC will

## Current status of the key lines

**Tori – Shivpur – Kathautia (Jharkhand – Line 1):** Of 447.4 acres of Raiyati land, 206.3 has been effectively handed over to Indian Railways, while the transfer of 142.7 acres at Jungle Jhari and 194 acres at Gari Majurwa is pending. Tree cutting is pending along a 17km stretch. An application for land acquisition for the Shivpur-Kathautia line has been submitted by the Railways and is awaiting the breakdown of forest/non-forest land from the Jharkhand government. The Railways has yet to file an application to obtain stage-I FC for the Shivpur-Kathautia line.

**Jharsuguda – Gopalpur (Odisha – Line 2):** Tree felling is ongoing and 10% complete on forest land. Some 60% of the tree felling has been completed. Land acquisition issues have delayed stage II FC for the line.

**Bhupdeopur – Korichappur (Chhattisgarh – Line 3):** Land acquisition is in process and the line has not received any clearance, ie, EC/FC, yet.

**Talcher – Anugul:** a line of about 11km in length; work on 7km has been completed and the remaining 4km has been held up for land and related R&R issues. FC is also pending.

ease the bottlenecks in the transportation of coal and other commodities to the north of India. It will move coal from the coal fields in the eastern region to power plants in northern India. Timely completion of the EDFC is as important as the 3 key rail lines, and will ensure coal supply from the eastern region to power stations.

■ **Traffic projections on the EDFC**

Commodity (m tonnes pa)	2016-17E	2021-22E
Coal	55	62.9
Total movement	75.6	91.3
% of coal in total traffic	72.8%	68.9%

Source: Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation, Daiwa

■ **Eastern dedicated freight corridor**

Eastern Corridor	Section	Year	Status
Phase I-APL1	Khurja - Kanpur (343kms)	2011-2017	Tata-Aldesa is building more than 300 km of rail lines and JSPL will supply around 88,000 tonnes of long rails to JV.
Phase II-APL2	Kanpur - Mughalsarai (390kms)	2013-2018	World Bank has sanctioned a loan of \$1.1bn in April, 2014.
Phase III-APL3	Khurja-Ludhiana (397kms)	2014-2019	Asian Development Bank and Ministry of Railways will fund this section through loan.
Phase IV (Funding through PPP)	Dankuni - Sonnagar (550kms)	2014-2019	IR is waiting for a response to the RFQ and expecting to award it by the end of FY15.
Phase V (Funding by Ministry of Railways)	Sonnagar - Mugal Sarai (125kms)	2010-2016	Work of formation and bridges under progress - 94% completed. Contracts for track work of 66 kms awarded.

Source: Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation, Daiwa

Note: RFQ=Request for Quotation, PPP=Public Private Partnership, APL= Adoptable Program Loan, JSPL= Jindal Steel and Power Limited

**E-auction volume forecasts cut**

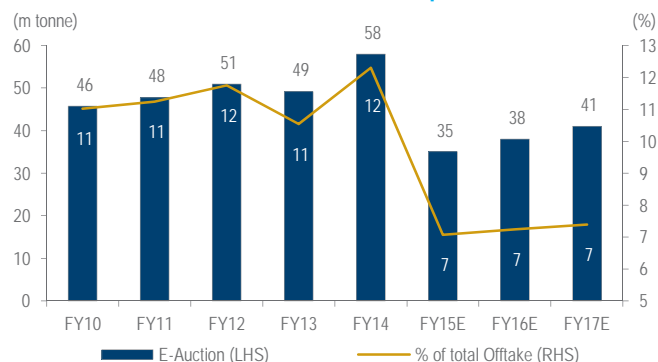
Coal India has cut its e-auction volumes post the direction from the government to increase the dispatches of the power sector by limiting volumes in e-auction to 25m tonnes.

As a result, volumes dropped significantly in 2Q FY15 to about 3.5m tonnes, from 12.9m tonnes in 2Q FY14, though ASPs increased.

Hence, for FY15 we are reducing our volume forecast for e-auction from 50m tonnes to 35m tonnes, as we believe limiting volumes to 25m tonnes will not be possible given the limited railway rakes available for transporting coal.

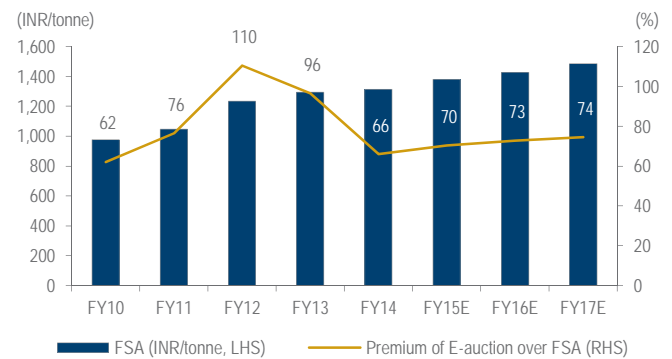
However, with a limited supply of e-auction coal, the company's ASPs are likely to gain strength and converge with seaborne coal ASPs, versus trading at more than a 30% discount previously. Such strength in e-auction coal ASPs would limit the loss from the cut in volumes.

■ **CIL: e-auction volumes as % of total dispatches**



Source: Company, Daiwa forecasts

■ **CIL: FSA price vs. e-auction price**



Source: Company, Daiwa forecasts

## Update on price hike

### A cut in e-auction volumes, cost pressure and 'grade slippage' support the case for a price hike.

Coal companies came under cost pressure in FY14 on the back of: 1) rising costs for contract workers, 2) increases in diesel prices, after implementation of third-party sampling of coal supplied by CIL, which led to 1- to 2-grade slippages and pressure on ASPs (revenue loss in FY14), and 3) the recent direction the government has taken to reduce e-auction volumes. All 3 factors give cause for CIL to raise prices, in our view.

Given that CIL's customers' financials are highly sensitive to price rises, we forecast only a 4-5% increase

in CIL's ASPs in FY15. Also, a clear policy from the new government that required CIL to evaluate cost increases for a given year, and implement a price rise if required, would allay investor concerns about pricing strategy or pricing power, in our opinion.

FSA coal ASPs could come under pressure, as from October onward third-party sampling to be done by external agencies chosen by customers could lead to coal grades slipping further. Exacerbating this situation is the coal minister's strict insistence that the grade and coal supplied must be consistent.

As such, we expect CIL to increase prices for low-grade coal but possibly cut prices for some high-grade coal, given the pressure on sea-borne coal prices.

#### ■ Pithead run of mine price for non-coking coal (27 May 2013)

Grades	GCV range (Kcal/Kg)	Domestic coal price (INR/tn)	Price change between grades ↑ (INR/tn)	Domestic coal price (INR/Kcal)	Imported coal price (INR/tn)	Imported coal price (INR/Kcal)	% Premium/(discount) to imported price
G1	Above 7000	*					
G2	6700-7000	4,870	980	0.71	3,858	0.56	0.26
G3	6400-6700	3,890	400	0.59	3,685	0.56	0.06
G4	6100-6400	3,490	690	0.56	3,512	0.56	(0.01)
G5	5800-6100	2,800	1,200	0.47	3,340	0.56	(0.16)
G6	5500-5800	1,600	200	0.28	3,167	0.56	(0.49)
G7	5200-5500	1,400	150	0.26	2,994	0.56	(0.53)
G8	4900-5200	1,250	280	0.25	2,821	0.56	(0.56)
G9	4600-4900	970	110	0.20	2,649	0.56	(0.63)
G10	4300-4600	860	160	0.19	2,476	0.56	(0.65)
G11	4000-4300	700	40	0.17	2,303	0.55	(0.70)
G12	3700-4000	660	50	0.17	2,130	0.55	(0.69)
G13	3400-3700	610	60	0.17	1,958	0.55	(0.69)
G14	3100-3400	550	40	0.17	1,785	0.55	(0.69)
G15	2800-3100	510	60	0.17	1,612	0.55	(0.68)
G16	2500-2800	450	50	0.17	1,439	0.54	(0.69)
G17	2200-2500	400		0.17	1,267	0.54	(0.68)

Source: Company, Bloomberg

Note: \* For GCV exceeding 7000 Kcal/Kg, the price shall be increased by Rs. 150 per tonne over and above the price applicable for GCV band exceeding 6700 but not exceeding 7000 Kcal/Kg, for increase in GCV by every 100 Kcal/Kg or part thereof.

## Summary of key assumptions

### ■ CIL: key assumptions

		FY15E	FY16E	FY17E
Production	m tonnes	493	523	554
YoY change	%	6.6	6.2	5.8
Dispatch	m tonnes	495	525	555
YoY change	%	5.0	6.0	5.7
Railway dispatches	m tonnes	275	305	335
Railway dispatches	as a % of total dispatches	55.5	58.1	60.3
Rail wagons required	Unit	202	223	245
Raw coal	m tonnes	439	458	470
E-auction	m tonnes	35	38	41
E-auction	As a % of total dispatches	7.1	7.2	7.4
Washed coal	m tonnes	15	22	34
Blended ASP	INR	1,486	1,548	1,622
YoY change	%	1.9	4.1	4.8
Raw coal ASP	INR	1,380	1,428	1,485
YoY change	%	5.0	3.5	4.0
E-auction coal ASP	INR	2,350	2,468	2,591
YoY change	%	7.7	5.0	5.0

Source: Daiwa forecasts

## Valuation and recommendation

We reaffirm our Buy (1) rating and maintain our DCF-based 6-month target price of INR420, as CIL looks well positioned to gain from the steps being taken by the government to step-up coal volumes significantly, which should aid a recovery in its earnings growth.

We consider DCF as the most appropriate valuation methodology for CIL, as it captures the long-term earnings potential of the company's large coal reserves, which we believe are likely to be realised by a rise in production and an increase in the mix of market-linked sales.

### ■ CIL: DCF assumptions

Risk-free rate (%)	8.0
Beta	1.0
Market-risk premium (%)	4.0
<b>Cost of equity (%)</b>	<b>12.0</b>
Gross cost of debt (%)	7.5
Tax rate (%)	34.0
<b>Net cost of debt (%)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Target debt-to-capital ratio (%)	10.0
<b>WACC (%)</b>	<b>11.3</b>
Terminal growth rate (%)	2.5

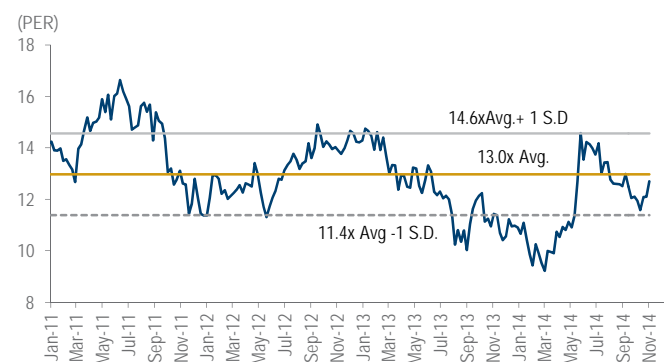
Source: Daiwa forecasts

### ■ CIL: DCF valuation

Sum of present value to FY30E (INRbn)	1,877
Less: net debt (INRbn)	(768)
Equity value (INRbn)	2,645
No. of shares (bn)	6.3
Value (INR/share)	420
<b>Target price</b>	<b>420</b>

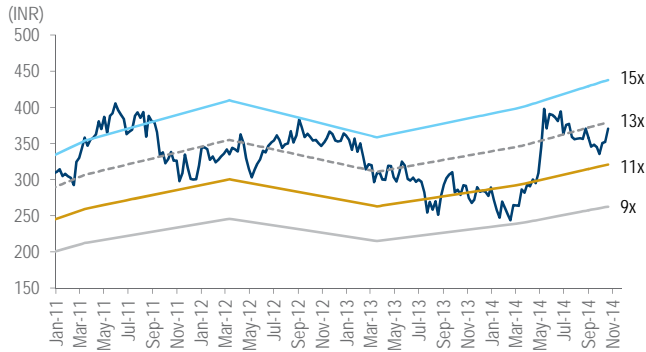
Source: Daiwa forecasts

### ■ CIL: PER bands



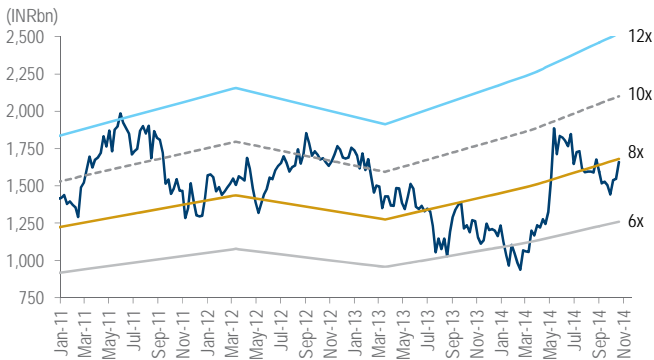
Source: Bloomberg, Daiwa forecasts

■ **CIL: PER bands**



Source: Bloomberg, Daiwa forecasts

■ **CIL: EV/EBITDA multiple bands**



Source: Bloomberg, Daiwa forecasts

## Risks

We have identified the following risks to our rating, target price and forecasts for CIL.

- 1) The pending stake sale by the government remains a near-term risk to our call.
- 2) Delays in the implementation of reforms by the new government relating to environmental and forestry approvals, as well as delays to other steps to hasten the overall approval process, would likely lead to continued weak production-growth performance.
- 3) Any delays in raising prices to offset the increases in costs for materials consumed and contract workers would be risks to our earnings forecasts.



## Appendix I

### Online Submission and Monitoring of Forest Clearance Proposals (OSMFCP)

#### Advantages of OSMFCP

##### **Reduces time and promotes standardisation**

Within the system, every proposal is assigned a unique number (which is used for future reference). Each time a change is made on the portal, the stakeholder is notified. Timely responses to important issues will reduce the turnaround time of the proposal. OSMFCP also standardises the process at the central and state levels.

##### **Guard against incomplete application submission**

The online system will not accept a proposal until the complete application and all requisite documents are submitted. Once the proposal is complete, an acknowledgement will be given to the user agency.

##### **Real time monitoring**

At each stage, the status of the proposal is updated and made available on the MoEF's website in report format for the public at large. The system enables real-time monitoring of proposals in order to ensure that the stipulated time lines for processing the application are adhered to.

##### **User-friendly portal**

1. Accessible at any time and from any PC with Internet access.
2. Easy to add a new proposal by filling in the form.
3. Users can view the status, recommendations and number of submitted proposals at various stages.
4. A user manual is also available for applicants.
5. The MoEF portal in different states is accessible from the same website, ie, MoEF portals of central and other states are accessible on a single platform.

■ Home page of OSMFCP

Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
Government of India

Online Submission & Monitoring of Forest Clearance Proposals

Login(User Agency) || Login(Processing Authority) || Register New User Agency  State Portals

\*Attention Please\* All States are requested not to enter any test data on this portal. Kindly use <http://164.100.194.5:8080/omfc/> for entering test data.

**Live Statistics (Proposals received on or after 15th July 2014)**

Category	Count
Submitted	31
Under Examination	26
Pending at DFO/DCF	3
Pending at CF/CCF	1
Pending at Nodal Officer (After Processing)	1
Under process at State Gov. including SFD	0

**Support**

- Audio Visual Presentation for User Agency
- User Manual for User Agency
- Google Search
- India Portal
- Environmental Clearance

Source: MoEF

■ Status of the submitted proposals

Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
Government of India

Online Submission & Monitoring of Forests Clearances

List of Proposals submitted Online by User Agencies (Proposals received on or after 15th July 2014)

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2	Maharashtra	<a href="#">FPI/MH/MIN/6398/2014</a>	HLOC Mine	Mining	Western Coalfields Ltd	36.98	Under Examination	08 Aug 2014
3	Orissa	<a href="#">FPI/OR/MIN/6348/2014</a>	MAHANADI COALFIELDS LIMITED	Mining	SANJEEV KUMAR PATEL	55	Under Examination	06 Aug 2014

Source: MoEF

## Appendix II

### Online submission system for TOR/EC proposals

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Online submission system for TOR/EC proposals – regarding**

As you are aware, National Informatics Centre (NIC) has developed and rolled out online system for submission of TOR/EC proposals with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> June 2014 onwards. There is a transition period from 5<sup>th</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014, wherein the proposals may be accepted in either of two modes, i.e., in hard copy or through web-portal. However, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014, the TOR/EC proposals will be accepted only online by the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF).

2. Needless to mention, I.A. division need to be in full preparedness to timely handle the online proposals. On successful submission of such a proposal, email containing acknowledgement slip will be sent automatically to the Project Proponent (PP) with a copy to the Member Secretary (Expert Appraisal Committee) concerned. **The ToR and EC applications have to be examined within five and fifteen working days respectively by the Member Secretary concerned** and additional information, if any, needs to be sought from the PP within this time frame itself. Thereafter, an acceptance letter will be sent to the PP informing that their proposal would be taken to the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) for appraisal. The system would ask PP to submit a hard copy of documents to MoEF within a week along with the acknowledgement slip. The PP would also be advised to visit MoEF's site about schedule of EAC meetings and in case their proposal is listed in the agenda of any EAC meeting, they should circulate hard copies of the concerned documents to Chairman & Members of the concerned EAC within a week of hosting of meeting notice on Ministry's website.

3. It is requested that all Member Secretaries may ensure taking timely action to ensure smooth functioning of this system. Also processing of ToR/EC proposals in accordance with the time frame stipulated under the provisions of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification 2006, may be ensured.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Source: MoEF



## Appendix III

### Granting EC for one time production capacity expansion

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Guidelines for granting Environment Clearance for expansion of Coal Mining Projects involving one time Production Capacity Expansion in the existing operation – reg.**

This O.M. may be read in continuation of earlier O.M. of even number dated 19.12.2012, 07.1. 2014 and 30.5. 2014 which deal with the above subject.

2. The Ministry of Environment and Forests has, vide OM dated 19 December, 2012 issued guidelines for exemption from public hearing in respect of existing coal mining projects which apply for one time capacity expansion of up to 25% in the existing mining operation, within the existing mine lease area. The 25% expansion in production capacity is subject to a ceiling of 2 MTPA of additional production where the transportation of the additional production is proposed by road and a ceiling of 5 MTPA if such transportation is proposed by conveyor and/or rail transport.

3. The Ministry of Coal has been taking up the matter with this Ministry requesting for further dispensation arguing the need for quick ramping up of coal production considering the power generation requirements in the Country. They had argued that in the case of smaller coal mining projects the cap of capacity expansion up to 25% was inadequate as it resulted in relatively small increase in production in absolute terms for such mines. They had requested for increasing the limit of capacity expansion in respect of smaller projects. The matter was considered in the Ministry of Environment & Forests and it was decided that for expansion proposals of existing coal mining projects having production capacity up to 8 MTPA as per the EC letter, the limit of one time capacity expansion may be considered as 50% or incremental production upto 1 MTPA, whichever is more, in the existing mining operation, within the existing mine lease area, by the EAC for exempting Public Hearing under Clause 7(ii) of the EIA Notification, 2006. An OM of even number dated 7.01.2014 was accordingly issued.

4. The Ministry of Coal had again requested this Ministry that the dispensation given for one time capacity expansion for coal mining projects of production capacity up to 8 MTPA as per OM of 07<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 may also be extended to those coal mining projects which have already availed dispensation of one time production capacity expansion under earlier OM of 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2012. They had also pointed out an anomalous situation in respect of coal mining projects with capacity above 8 MTPA and up to 16 MTPA, where the transportation of additional production of coal was proposed by means of a conveyor and / or rail transport. While as per OM dated 07<sup>th</sup> January, 2014, the additional production allowed for such projects up to 8 MTPA capacity would be 4 MTPA, for projects with capacity more than 8 MTPA and less than 16 MTPA, the additional production allowed as per the earlier OM of 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 would be

less than 4 MTPA. They had requested for removing this anomaly. The matter was again considered in the Ministry of Environment & Forests and it was decided that the dispensation given for one time capacity expansion for coal mining projects having production capacity up to 8 MTPA, as provided for in the OM dated 07<sup>th</sup> January, 2014, would also be applicable to the projects with capacity up to 8 MTPA, which had already availed the dispensation earlier under OM of 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2012. It was also decided that the coal mining projects with production capacity exceeding 8 MTPA and up to 16 MTPA may be given further dispensation under the O.M. dated 19.12.2012 to the effect that they could have one time capacity expansion, with additional production up to 4 MTPA if the transportation of additional production of coal was proposed by means of a conveyor and / or rail transport. The above dispensation was conveyed vide OM dated 30 May, 2014.

5. The Ministry of Coal has once again urged this Ministry for further dispensation in the matter so as to quickly ramp-up coal production for enhancing power production in public interest. The matter has been examined in this Ministry and considering the request of Ministry of Coal, it has been decided that in respect of one time capacity expansion proposals of existing coal mining projects with production capacity exceeding 16 MTPA, the EAC may after due diligence consider exempting public hearing subject to the ceiling of additional production up to 5 MTPA if the transportation of additional production of coal is proposed by means of a conveyor and / or rail transport. The above dispensation would be subject to satisfactory compliance with environmental clearance(s) issued in the past as judged by the EAC.. All other stipulations stated in earlier O.Ms. of even number dated 19.12.2012, 07.01.2014 and 30.5.2014 will continue to apply in such cases.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Source: MoEF

## Appendix IV

### Opening up the coal sector for commercial mining – could also be a solution

#### Timeline of the coal sector in India

##### Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973

- Prior to 1973, the coal mining industry in India comprised small and big mines scattered across the country which were largely owned by private companies.
- As the sector was in the hands of private coal mining companies, which did not have sufficient capital to invest in expanding capacity and upgrading their mines, the burgeoning energy needs of the country were not being met. Industrial unrest, unscientific mining practices, violations of mine safety laws, a reluctance to mechanise, and poor working conditions of labour in some private coal mines were some of the issues that concerned the government.
- In view of these conditions, the central government decided to nationalise the private coal mines. The nationalisation happened in 2 phases: first with the coking coal mines in 1972 and then with the non-coking coal mines in 1973. Coal mines that could not be nationalised remained in the hands of private lease holders.
- Under the Coking Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1972, 226 coking coal mines (except Tata Iron & Steel Company Limited and Indian Iron & Steel Company Limited) were nationalized on 1 May 1972 and brought under Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL), a new Central Government undertaking.
- All 711 non-coking coal mines were nationalized On 31 January 1973 and placed under a new government company, Coal Mines Authority Limited (CMAL). CMAL was organised as a unitary structure on divisional pattern with 4 divisions, namely, a Central Division, Eastern Division, Western Division and the Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Limited. The mines of the erstwhile National Coal Development Corporation (NCDC) were brought under the central division of CMAL.

- The Coal Mines (Taking Over of Management) Act, 1973, extended the right of the government to take over the management of the coking and non-coking coal mines in 7 states, including the coking coal mines taken over in 1971. This was followed by the nationalisation of all these mines on 5 May 1973 with the enactment of the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973.
- In November 1975, CIL was formed to manage both these companies, ie, BCCL and CMAL, and became a holding company with 5 subsidiaries, namely, BCCL, CCL, ECL, WCL and CMPDIL. It then proceeded to consolidate the businesses of both coking and non-coking coal under one entity in which government held a 100% stake.
- The coal industry, after the 1973 Act, was reorganised into 2 large public sector companies, CIL and SCCL. CIL owned and managed all previously government-owned mines of the NCDC and the nationalised private mines, and SCCL was owned and managed by the government of Andhra Pradesh.

##### Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Amendment Act, 1976

- The 1973 Act was amended on 27 May 1976 when all the mining leases of private lease holders were terminated except those of: 1) private iron and steel producers which were allowed by the Act to carry on coal mining for captive use, and 2) sub-lease for coal mining to private parties in isolated small pockets not amenable to economic development and not requiring rail transport.

##### Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Amendment Act, 1993

- Under the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973, coal mining was only reserved for public sector companies, ie, CIL and SCCL. These 2 companies took responsibility for supplying coal to all users.
- As time passed, these companies were not able to completely meet the burgeoning demand for coal, which led to an increase in imports. This increase in imports in turn led to a situation whereby it was necessary to allot captive coal blocks to specified end users solely to bridge the gap between the demand and the supply of coal.
- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the proposal for amendment of the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act on 5 May 1992 in regards to:

- a) Allowing private-sector participation in coal mining operations (in addition to iron and steel producers).
- b) Allowing privately owned companies to invest in, install and operate coal washeries for the purpose of washing coking and non-coking coal, etc.
- Finally, the bill was approved by the Lok Sabha on 19 April 1993 and received the assent of the president on 9 June 1993.
- In March 1996, the cement sector was notified as an end-use for the purposes of captive coal mining through the addition of an enabling provision in the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act.

### The Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Amendment Bill, 2000

- In February 1997, the central government decided that Indian companies, both in the public and private sectors, should be allowed to engage in the coal mining business without the restriction of captive mining. To this end it decided to amend the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973.
- The Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Amendment Bill, 2000 was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 24 April 2000 with the goal of opening up the sector to commercial mining. It met with stiff resistance from the trade unions who expressed concerns over the possibility of unscientific mining and labour exploitation.

### Recent Supreme Court directive – to de-allocate captive coal blocks

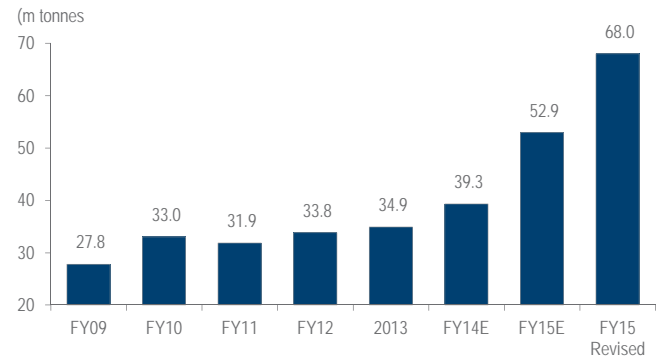
On 24 September 2014, the Supreme Court declared the allocation of 218 coal blocks (except 4 coal blocks) since 1993 as arbitrary and illegal, and directed that such allocations be withdrawn.

The 4 coal blocks which are exempt from the verdict are operated by the central government with no joint venture with the private company. Two of them belong to NTPC and SAIL, and the other 2 are allocated for ultra mega power projects (UMPP).

Cancellation of the coal blocks will be done after 6 months, ie, after 31 March 2015. The Supreme Court has asked the holders of 46 operational coal blocks to file their replies in 6 months.

All the companies will also be fined INR295/tonne for cumulative volumes produced.

### ■ Captive coal production volume



Source: Ministry of Coal

### The Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 2014

As a solution to the verdict of the de-allocation of coal blocks by the Supreme Court, the government came out with an ordinance to auction the de-allocated blocks for end usage in the next 3-4 months, in order to maintain the continuity in coal production by the captive coal blocks.

### Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Amendment Bill, 2014

In the winter session of Parliament, the central government may consider presenting a bill to allow commercial mining by the private sector in order to find a permanent solution to the coal shortage issue in India. However, they could find a strong resistance from the coal unions and other political parties.



■ Timeline of the coal sector in India

Period	Events	Comments
May 1972	Coking Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1972	Reasons being wasteful and selective mining, no planned development of coal resources, improvement in safety laws and quality of life of work force, to ensure adequate investments to meet growth needs
Jan 1973	Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1973	Nationalization happened in 2 phases, first coking coal mines in 1972 and then non-coking coal mines in 1973
Nov 1975	Formation of Coal India	To consolidate all the coking and non-coking coal mines under BCCL and CMAL.
May 1976	Coal Mines (Nationalization) Amendment Act, 1976	To terminate all the mining leases of private lease holders except iron and steel producers
June 1993	Coal Mines (Nationalization) Amendment Act, 1993	Allowed Indian companies engaged in generation of power to carry coal mining for captive use as CIL and SCCL were not able to meet burgeoning need for coal
Mar 1996	Inserted a provision to Act	Cement sector was notified as an end-use for the purposes of captive coal mining
Apr 2000	Coal Mines (Nationalization) Amendment Bill, 2000	To allow commercial mining, though it faced resistance from trade unions and political parties and bill was not taken up in the parliament
Sep 2014	Coal blocks de-allocation	Supreme Court declared the allocation of 218 coal blocks since 1993 as arbitrary and illegal
Oct 2014	Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 2014	An ordinance to auction the de-allocated blocks for end-usage
Dec 2014	Coal Mines (Nationalization) Amendment Bill, 2014	Will likely present a bill to allow commercial mining by private sector in Winter session of Parliament

Source: Ministry of Coal, Company, PRS India, Daiwa

Note: BCCL= Bharat Coking Coal Limited and CMAL=Coal Mines Authority Limited

■ Producing captive coal blocks de-allocated

Company	Coal Block	Sl. No. of block	Govt (G)/ Private (P)	Sector	Projected production for 2014-15 (m tonnes)
WBSEB	Tara (East)	1	G	Power	2.00
WBPDC	Tara (West)	2	G	Power	
JSPL	Gare Palma IV/I	3	P	Iron & Steel	6.00
CESC	Sarshatoli	4	P	Power	2.80
HIL	Talabira -I	5	P	Power	2.50
BLA	Gotitoria (E&W) (2 Blocks)	6-7	P	Pvt. commercial	0.30
MIL	Gare Palma IV/5	8	P	Iron & Steel	1.00
PSEB	Panchwara Central	9	G	Power	7.00
JNL	Gare Palma IV/4	10	P	Iron & Steel	1.00
PIL	Chotia	11	P	Iron & Steel	1.00
Jindal Power	Gare Palma IV/2&3	12-13	P	Power	6.25
SIL	Belgaon	14	P	Iron & Steel	0.24
KPCL	Baranj I-IV, Kiloni and Manora Deep	15-20	G	Power	2.50
UML	Kathautia	21	P	Iron & Steel	0.80
ESCL	Parbatpur	22	P	Iron & Steel	0.64
Sarda Energy Ltd	Gare Palma IV/7	23	P	Iron & Steel	1.20
WBPDC	Barjora	24	G	Power	0.50
SAIL*	Tasra	25	G	Iron & Steel	0.07
DVC	Barjora North	26	G	Power	2.20
B. S. Ispat	Marki Mangli-I	27	P	Iron & Steel	0.08
Shree Virangana Iron & Steel	Marki Mangli-III	28	P	Iron & Steel	0.36
Shree Virangana Iron & Steel	Marki Mangli-II	29	P	Iron & Steel	
WBMTDCL	Trans Damodar	30	G	Commercial	1.00
Sasan Power	Molter & Molter Amlori Extension	31-32	P	UMPP	2.00
Soya Ispat & Jai Balaji Industries	Ardhagram	33	P	Iron & Steel	0.30
RRVUNL	Parsa (East) & Kanta Basan	34-35	G	Power	5.50
WBPDC	Gangaramchak and Gangaramchak Bhadulia	36-37	G	Power	0.02
MPSMDC Ltd	Amelia North	38	G	Commercial mining	1.50
WBPDC	Pachwara North	39	G	Power	4.00
MPSMDC Ltd	Bicharpur	40	G	Commercial mining	0.03
Jaiprakash Associates	Mandla North	41	P	Cement	0.01
Prism Cement Ltd	Sial Ghogri	42	P	Cement	0.13
<b>Total</b>					<b>52.93</b>

Source: Ministry of Coal, Daiwa

Note: \* This is the block of Steel Authority of India, which is not de-allocated. WBSEB=West Bengal State Electricity Board, WBPDC=West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited, JSPL=Jindal Steel and Power Limited, CESC=Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation, HIL=Hindalco Industries Limited, BLA=BLA Power, E&W=East and West, MIL=Monnet Ispat Ltd, PSEB=Punjab State Electricity Board, JNL=Jayaswal Neco Limited, PIL=Prakash Industries Limited, SIL=Sponge Iron Limited, KPCL=Karnataka Power Corporation Limited, UML=Usha Martin Ltd, ESCL=Electrosteel Castings Limited, SAIL=Steel Authority of India Limited, DVC=Damodar Valley Corporation, WBMTDCL=West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd, RRVUNL=Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited, MPSMDC=Madhya Pradesh State Mining Development Corporation

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