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## CIL surpasses targeted Q1 capex despite Covid crisis

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MINING MONOLITH COAL India (CIL) has surpassed its targeted capital expenditure (capex) of ₹720 crore and has actually spent ₹844 crore during the first quarter of the current fiscal amid the Covid-19 slowdown. The capital expenditure was 117% of the targeted one and 4.2% more compared with the one spent during the corresponding period last fiscal.

The PSU miner had spend ₹810 crore as capex in April-June 2019.

"Capex is a key scoring performance parameter in the memorandum of understanding that CIL signs every year with the ministry of coal," a senior CIL executive said.

The capex utilisation of the miner received a boost from three of its subsidiaries—South Eastern Coalfields (SECL), Northern Coalfields (NCL) and Central Coalfields (CCL). These accounted for 81% of the capital expenditure, ending June quarter.

SECL topped the list with ₹435 crore of spending followed by NCL with ₹149 crore and CCL with ₹102 crore.

Of the actual capex of ₹844 crore, heavy earth moving machinery (HEMM) and other plants and machinery accounted for ₹393 crore. This was followed by the amount spent on coal evacuation trans-



portation infrastructure like first-mile connectivity including coal handling plants, silos, crusher, railway sidings/corridors worth ₹241 crore. Mine development, exploration and prospecting amounted to ₹80 crore and ₹66 crore, respectively.

An official said though equipment have been procured, there are delays in deploying them because of the Covid-19 situation and for some unrest within the company for the grant of commercial mining.

Subsidiary-wise the combined capex plan and capital budget of CIL as a whole for FY21 is pegged at ₹10,000 crore. While the plant and machinery portion, including procurement of HEMM, comprises the major share with over ₹3,700 crore for the year, the expenditure on land acquisition and rehabilitation & resettlement involve more than ₹1,900 crore. These two heads make up around 57% of the overall capex of FY21.

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## CIL meets 117% of Q1 capex target

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Kolkata: The capital expenditure (capex) of Coal India (CIL) at Rs 844 crore during the first Quarter of the ongoing fiscal breached the provisioned target of Rs 720 crore achieving 117% of the target utilisation.

A CIL official said that even amid Covid 19-induced slow-down, the current year's first quarter capex spend was 4.2% higher compared to the same quarter of the last fiscal. CIL spent Rs 810 crore on its capital expenses in April-June 2019 period. "Though the procurement process of certain equipment was completed execution was delayed due to Covid," he added.

Capex is a key scoring performance parameter in the MoU that CIL signs every year with its administrative ministry — ministry of coal, said a senior executive of the Company.

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## CIL has introduced Trade Receivable Discounting System platform (TReDS) CIL organised a meeting with it's

CIL organised a meeting with it's vendors comprising of mostly MSMEs



to take them onboard the TReDS i.eTrade Receivable Discounting System

platform.TReDS has been established as a mechanism of trade receivable financing for MSMEs on a secure digital platform. This has been conceived as a very transparent and extremely efficient mechanism to ease any financial issues of the vendors.