

CIL's supply to power plants rises 6% in Oct

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STATE-RUN MINER Coal India on Monday said its supplies to thermal power plants shot up close to 6% year-on-year to 23.5 million tonnes (MT) during the first fortnight of October, ahead of the festive season.

Comparatively, the supplies to the power plants stood at 22.2 MT in the same

period of October 2022. "The growth was posted at a time of sudden surge in power demand and even as unseasonal rains hit hard the operations in coal bearing areas of CIL's subsidiaries in the eastern region of the country. Chattishgarh-based SECL (South Eastern Coalfields) also bore the brunt of the inclement weather," Coal India said in a filing.

The coal major's total sup-

plies at 28.6 MT during the first 15 days of October 2023 logged over 16% y-o-y growth compared to 24.6 MT during the same period last year. Progressively, CIL supplied nearly 319 MT to the country's coal-fired plants till October 15 of the current financial year, which was a 12 MT jump in volume terms compared to 307 MT of same period of the last financial year.

Coal India raises supply to power units in Oct. first half

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State-owned Coal India (CIL) on Monday said its supply to the country's coal-fired power plants rose by 6% to 23.5 million tonnes (MT) in the first half of October, ahead of the festive season. It was 22.2 MT in the same time last year.

The supply was increased amid a sudden rise in power demand even as unseasonal rains hit operations in CIL's mines in eastern India.

The overall supply of dry fuel by CIL to the country's power plants was almost 319 MT till October 15 of the ongoing fiscal.

CIL allays fears of stock drop

A STAFF REPORTER

Calcutta: Coal India on Monday said it has supplied 3 million tonnes (MT) of coal more than its target supply to the power sector by October 15 for the financial year 2023-24.

“CIL’s targeted commitment was 316 MT to the power sector till October 15 of FY2024 against which the company’s supplies were ahead by 3 MT at 319 MT. CIL is confident of meeting the tasked target to the power sector,” the public sector miner said.

This statement comes at a time there are concerns over fast-depleting coal stocks at thermal power plants amid rising electricity demand. Data from the Central Electricity Au-

thority shows a total of 89 power plants, including plants based on domestic coal and plants designed to run on imported coal, having critical stock levels as of October 14. The number was just 39 as of July 31.

National Load Despatch Centre data shows evening peak hour demand met at the national level increased 12.74 per cent in August 2023 over August 2022 and was on an upward trajectory in September. Between April and September, energy generation from thermal sources was 107.87 per cent of generation in the corresponding period previous year, while that from hydroelectric sources was 87.91 per cent of previous year.

“CIL was given a demand projection of 610 MT supply to the power plants for FY 2024 which is 4 per cent more than what it supplied in FY 2023,” the statement said.

Unseasonal rain has hit mining in coal bearing areas particularly in the East.

CIL supplies to power plants up by 6% to 23.5 MTs

Kolkata: Coal India's (CIL) supplies to thermal power plants of the country shot up close to 6% to 23.5 million tonnes (MTs) during the first fortnight of October 2023 ahead of the festive season. Comparatively, the supplies were 22.2 MTs in the same period of October 2022.

The growth was posted at a time of sudden surge in power demand and even as unseasonal rains hit hard the operations in coal-bearing areas of CIL's subsidiaries based in the eastern region of the country. Chhattisgarh-based SECL also bore the brunt of the inclement weather.

The coal major's total supplies at 28.6 MTs during the first 15 days of October 2023 logged 16% growth compared to 24.6 MTs of the same period in October 2022. TNN

CIL to lift more coal from below ground

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Coal India Limited (CIL) is planning to scale up production from its underground (UG) mines to 100 Million Tonnes (MT) by 2030 through a slew of mass production technologies alongside a revenue sharing model with private entrepreneurs.

Till September 17, CIL, the largest coal producing company in the world, had produced about 12 MT of coal from underground coal mines.

“This is a 4.1% growth over the same period last



year,” a CIL official said. “The targeted output through UG mines for FY 2023-24 is 30 MTs,” the official added.

The thrust by CIL on increasing output from UG mines comes at a time when 96% of its output was from open cast (OC) mines.