



## MCL celebrates I-Day with patriotic fervour

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited celebrated the 77th Independence Day with patriotic fervour and enthusiasm. Chairman-cum-Managing Director (MCL) hoisted the Tricolour at the company headquarters. Shri OP Singh, took salute of the ceremonial parade, which comprised 29 marching contingents.

77th  
Independence  
Day



*Dignitaries releasing the tricolor balloons on the occasion of Independence Day*



Energy-packed cultural programme presented by the students of 11 participating schools added colour to the celebrations, which concluded with distribution of prizes and trophies to the best performances of the day by the dignitaries.

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Similar celebrations were organised at MCL Areas and project offices spread over in Angul, Jharsuguda and Sundergarh districts of Odisha.

In his Independence Day message, Shri O P Singh, CMD extended his greetings to all and paid solemn tribute to the freedom fighters, soldiers and brave coal miners for their unwavering service and contribution in ensuring energy security for the nation.

On this occasion, meritorious students of class 10th and 12th and employees with distinguished service were also awarded. Dignitaries also presented the awards to winners of cultural program.



# MCL revives pre-independence Talcher UG coal mine in Odisha

Enabled by the amendment in the New Coal Distribution Policy (NCDP) by the Ministry of Coal, Government of India, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) is geared up to resume coal production from its 1928-born Talcher colliery in Angul district of Odisha.

The company has issued a letter of acceptance (LOA) under Mine Developer cum Operator (MDO) Mode to M/s TMC Mineral Resources Private Limited which will revive coal mining at the Talcher underground mine, which has an estimated reserves of 11 million tonne.

With the commencement of operations and a gradual increase in production capacity, the mine is projected to reach a peak production level of 3.6 lakh tonne per annum from the fifth year of the project's initiation.

A team of 18 subject-expert officers from different departments of MCL worked in tandem with the Department of Contract Management, MCL HQs, for over 10 months to plan and execute revival of Talcher UG through MDO mode.

With almost zero direct investment in this 25-year-long arrangement, MCL aims at earning a revenue of Rs 111 crore, besides creating a job opportunity in MDO project for hundreds of skilled youths of Talcher.

## The Different Owners of Talcher UG Mine

Ownership	From	To
MSM Railway	1928	1956
NCDC	1956	1973
CMAL	1973	1973
CCL	1973	1986
SECL	1986	1992
MCL	1992	Continuing...



*This 95-year-old underground mine, developed using the Bord & Pillar method, traces its roots back to 1928 when it was started by the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway (MSM Railway). After being under different owners, in 1992, the Talcher UG was finally transferred to MCL, which is now the largest coal producing subsidiary of Coal India.*

**“We are committed to ensure availability of adequate quantity of coal to our diverse consumers and resumption of coal production from Talcher underground would contribute in a meaningful way.”**

**Shri O P Singh,  
CMD, MCL**

Reopening of Talcher UG would be a crucial milestone in revitalising coal production from underground in the region, aligned with the Government of India's efforts to encourage responsible coal mining and utilise the country's natural resources efficiently. This public-private partnership (PPP) between MCL and TMC Mineral Resources Private Limited, under a revenue-sharing model, promises to create a win-win situation, bolstering economic growth while ensuring sustainable mining practices for a better and greener tomorrow.

# MCL to fund Rs 17.5 cr for development of Nuapada, Balangir & Sambalpur

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) has signed three Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) of total Rs 17.54 crore under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for infrastructure development in Nuapada, Balangir and Sambalpur districts of Odisha.

As a part of the Aspirational District Programme of the Government of India, MCL has signed a MoU with the district administration, Nuapada to develop the educational infrastructure at a total cost of Rs 4.35 crore.

With this support under CSR, at least 51 additional classrooms will be developed besides the facelift of existing infrastructure in 36 schools of the Nuapada district.



Under another MoU signed with Sambalpur district administration, MCL has earmarked Rs 7.56 crore under CSR project "Aarogya" for enhancement of the medical facilities at Veer Surendra Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (VIMSAR), Burla.

Similarly, a MoU to contribute Rs 5.63 crore under CSR for different developmental projects in Balangir district was signed by the GM (CSR) with Shri Chanchal Rana, IAS, Collector & District Magistrate, Balangir.

*On behalf of MCL, these MoU were signed last evening by Shri Rajnikant Panigrahi, General Manager (CSR) with Smt. Madhuchhanda Sahu, CDO-cum-Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad on the behalf of Nuapada district administration and with Dr. Jayashree Dora, Dean & Principal, VIMSAR, Burla on the behalf of Sambalpur district administration.*



## Annual Mines Safety Fortnight 2022-23 concluded with Prize Distribution ceremony at MCL

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) organized the Prize distribution ceremony of Annual Mines Safety Fortnight 2022-23 at company headquarters in Sambalpur on 29th August 2023 under the aegis of Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS), Bhubaneswar Region I & II.



Shri Prabhat Kumar, Director General, DGMS, Dhanbad was the Chief Guest of the ceremony which was presided over by Shri O. P. Singh, Chairman-cum Managing Director (CMD), MCL whereas Shri S. D.Chiddarwar, Deputy Director General, DGMS, South Eastern Zone, Ranchi was guest of Honour.



Shri Prabhat Kumar, in his address, lauded MCL's remarkable efforts in enhancing safety standards. He praised MCL's pioneering initiative of Virtual Reality-based training, highlighting its potential to elevate safety within the mining sector. Shri Kumar stressed that with the advent of technology in coal mining sector, production has increased manifolds, hence, it is the need of hour to incorporate advance safety features at workplace. He further advised that we should walk extra mile in customizing the technology as per our requirement enhancing safety.

*A total of 86 awards were presented during the ceremony, honoring individuals, contractors, mines, and areas that exhibited exceptional dedication and excellence. A souvenir was also released on this occasion by the dignitaries.*



CMD Shri O P Singh in his address reiterated the resolution of MCL 'safety is our utmost priority'. He extended his regards to the collaborative efforts of DGMS, Trade union leaders and MCL Parivar in ensuring safety and maintaining the status of number one coal producing company for MCL.

He further added that Vocational Training Centers in the areas are being upgraded to Hi-tech smart classrooms to impart VR based simulated training to 17000 workers.

# Awards and Achievements

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited has been awarded as "The Highest dividend paying subsidiary of Coal India Limited."



Mahanadi Coalfield Limited (MCL) secured the prestigious first prize in 'Quality Improvement' from the esteemed Greentech Foundation.

Shri Ravikesh Kumar Raju, General Manager (Quality Control) received the award on behalf of MCL at the award ceremony held in New Delhi on 21st August 2023. Earlier, the company had received the Coal Minister's Award for Quality Assurance in FY 2022-23.

"Our efforts should continue to maintain the highest standard of quality for customer satisfaction"

**Shri O P Singh,  
CMD, MCL**

## 100 MCuM OBR ACHIEVED IN RECORD TIME

TEAM MCL surpassed the milestone of 100 Million Cubic Metres (MCuM) overburden removal (OBR) for FY'24 on Aug, 27, 2023. Setting a new record, MCL has achieved this figure 46 days before, as compared to financial year 2022-23.

### CONGRATULATIONS TEAM MCL ACHIEVED

**100 MCuM** OB Removal

- 01. **Fastest Ever**  
Achieved the mark fastest ever since inception
- 02. **Well Ahead**  
Achieved this feat 46 days before as compared to last year
- 03. **In Advance**  
Achieved a growth of 38% compared to last year



27th August 2023

# MCL Shares Chandrayaan-3 success with the Nation

## Congratulations! Team ISRO




Date: 23rd August 2023, Time: 6:04PM

TEAM MCL joined the Nation in celebrating the grand success of India's lunar mission. Higher officials along with employees watched the touch down of CHANDRAYAAN-3 live.

They all cheered team ISRO for this achievement and congratulated each other.




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