

# **Coal India**

# Estimate change TP change Rating change

Bloomberg	COAL IN
Equity Shares (m)	6,207
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	1537.6 / 18.8
52-Week Range (INR)	251 / 139
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	3/22/44
12M Avg Val (INR M)	2605

### Financials & Valuations (INR b)

Y/E MARCH	2022	2023E	2024E
Sales	1,097	1,372	1,273
EBITDA	285	474	304
Adj. PAT	174	329	187
EBITDA Margin (%)	26	35	24
Cons. Adj. EPS (INR)	28	53	30
EPS Gr. (%)	37	89	-43
BV/Sh. (INR)	70	97	112
Ratios			
Net D:E	-1	0	0
RoE (%)	40	55	27
RoCE (%)	43	65	30
Payout (%)	60	50	50
Valuations			
P/E (x)	8.8	4.7	8.2
P/BV (x)	3.6	2.6	2.2
EV/EBITDA(x)	4.2	3.0	4.8
Div. Yield (%)	6.8	10.7	6.1
FCF Yield (%)	18.9	1.9	6.7

### Shareholding pattern (%)

As On	Sep-22	Jun-22	Sep-21
Promoter	66.1	66.1	66.1
DII	22.6	22.6	22.1
FII	6.7	6.5	6.7
Others	4.5	4.8	5.0

CMP: INR250 TP: INR325 (+30%) Buy

### Strong results; consensus continues to upgrade

- COAL reported yet another quarter of strong, albeit inline performance. Eauction premium at an all-time high of 329% drove the strong performance.
- Net sales grew 28% YoY but was down 15% QoQ to INR298b in 2QFY23. The YoY sales growth was driven by a 23% growth in blended ASP mainly driven by 281% YoY growth in the E-auction ASP, and 5% YoY growth in total dispatch volumes.
- Dispatches were down 13% QoQ which is a seasonal factor, while blended ASP was down 3% QoQ to INR1782/t. E-auction ASP was up 40% QoQ to INR6064/t.
- Adjusted EBITDA (net of OBR) grew 100% YoY after a strong growth of 178% YoY in 1QFY23, but was down 37% QoQ to INR80b (largely inline) the highest ever second quarter EBITDA for COAL.
- APAT grew 106% YoY but down 32% QoQ to INR60b in 2QFY23 (inline).
- The company recorded a higher OBR provision in the quarter again taking advantage of existing coal inventory to prepare for another round of strong production in 2HFY23.
- We believe the consensus will continue to upgrade its FY23 estimates, driven by strength in the E-auction premiums. We are almost 20% higher than the consensus on FY23 estimates and expect consensus to continue to catch up.

### E-auction continues to drive profitability

- While e-auction volumes dropped ~50% QoQ, the premium soared ~40% QoQ to a record 329%. We believe that the 3Q performance of COAL will be better QoQ with higher volume on e-auction with almost similar levels on premium.
- E-auction premium for Sep/Oct'22 stood at 312%/276% while volumes improved to 4.3mt/4.7mt, respectively. This indicates that the marginal drop in premium in 3Q QoQ will be more than compensated by higher volumes.
- With the onset of winters, we believe the demand for coal for power should slow down somewhat giving the company some headroom for higher nonpower and e-auction dispatches. This in turn should help deliver another record set of profits for 3QFY23.

### Valuation and view – raising estimates again

- We believe the world has come to terms that fossil fuel cannot be ignored, at least in the near term. Under-investment by the developed economies in the last decade has proven expensive with no alternate sources of Russian NG in sight other than coal
- Renewables continue to be unreliable with problems either related to (a) availability, (b) costs, (c) storage or (d) safety. As a result, dependence on coal is likely to increase in the near term whether investors prefer the same or not.

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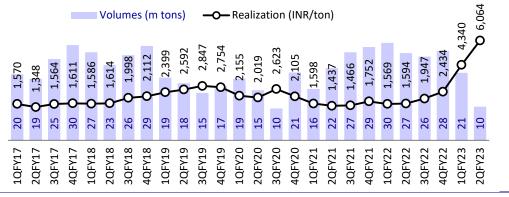
We believe the port-based power plants in India will continue to operate at lower PLF as Europe continues to buy more south African coal, leading to shortage of high grade thermal coal in India (needed for the non-power sector), which in turn will lead to sustained e-auction premiums.

- Integration of all the five different modes of auction into a single e-auction has also lead to improved price discovery of coal and has resulted in a structural shift in e-auction premium.
- We raise our E-auction premium estimate for FY23/24 to 239%/81% from 188%/71%, respectively.
- Consequently, we again raise our FY23 EBITDA/PAT estimate by 22%/27% after a 23% bump up in 1Q. We also raise our FY24 EBITDA/PAT estimates by 6%/3%, respectively, and our TP to INR 325 (up from 265), valuing the stock at 4x FY23 EV/EBTIDA. We reiterate our Buy rating on the stock and COAL continues to be our top pick in the metals sector.
- The stock trades at an inexpensive valuation of 3x/4.8x our FY23/24 EV/EBTIDA. On P/B, the stock trades at 2.6x/2.2x on FY23/24 estimates. The company has declared an interim dividend of INR 15 and we estimate DPS of INR 26.7 for FY23.

### Consolidated quarterly performance (INR b)

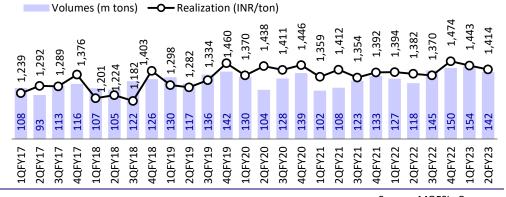
Y/E March		FY2	2			FY2	3E		FY22	FY23E	FY23	Var
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3QE	4QE			2QE	(%)
Sales	252.8	232.9	284.3	327.1	350.9	298.4	363.2	359.6	1,097.1	1,372.1	295.2	1.1
Change YoY (%)	36.8	10.1	20.0	22.5	38.8	28.1	27.7	9.9	21.9	25.1	26.7	
Change QoQ (%)		-7.9	22.1	15.0	7.3	-15.0	21.7	-1.0			-15.9	
Adj. EBITDA	45.9	40.1	73.9	124.7	127.3	80.2	123.8	142.8	284.5	474.1	85.4	-6.2
Change YoY (%)	63.9	18.0	26.2	56.4	177.6	99.9	67.7	14.5	42.1	66.6	113.0	
Change QoQ (%)	-42.5	-12.5	84.1	68.8	2.1	-37.0	54.5	15.3			-32.9	
EBITDA per tonne	285.7	272.8	425.3	688.6	716.5	518.8	688.0	760.6	429.6	677.3	553.0	-6.2
Depreciation	10.4	9.3	10.4	14.1	9.9	10.8	10.8	14.5	44.3	46.1	9.7	10.8
OBR	-2.6	0.7	5.6	33.9	4.8	7.4	5.0	5.3	37.6	22.5	0.1	52x
Interest	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	5.4	5.5	1.4	-5.3
Other Income	6.8	7.8	6.5	17.9	9.7	16.2	6.2	4.9	39.0	37.0	5.3	204
EO Inc/(Exp)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	
PBT	43.4	36.5	63.1	93.3	120.8	76.9	112.8	126.5	236.2	437.0	79.5	-3.3
Tax	11.6	7.1	17.5	26.2	32.4	16.4	27.9	31.3	62.4	108.0	21.3	
Tax Rate (%)	26.8	19.5	27.7	28.1	26.9	21.4	24.7	24.7	26.4	24.7	26.9	
Reported PAT	31.7	29.4	45.6	67.1	88.3	60.4	84.9	95.2	173.8	329.0	58.1	4.0
Adjusted PAT	31.7	29.4	45.6	67.1	88.3	60.4	84.9	95.2	173.8	329.0	58.1	4.0
Change YoY (%)	52.7	-0.4	47.9	46.2	178.3	105.7	86.3	42.0	36.8	89.3	97.9	
Change QoQ (%)	-30.8	-7.4	55.2	47.1	31.7	-31.6	40.5	12.1			-34.2	

Exhibit 1: Highest ever e-auction ASP drove the realizations



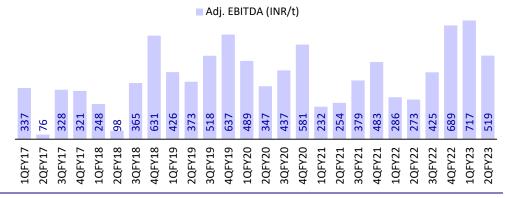
Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 2: FSA volumes and realizations remain stable during the quarter



Source: MOFSL, Company

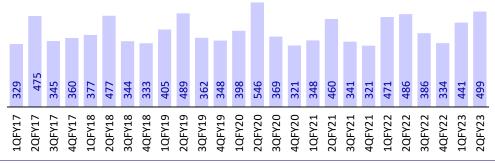
Exhibit 3: Adjusted EBITDA/t cooled off from record levels; yet up by INR 246/t YoY



Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 4: Adjusted cash cost remain under control

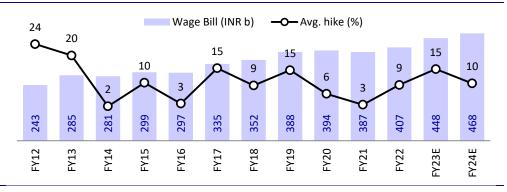
Adj. cash cost per ton of composite (coal+OB removal) production in INR



Source: CEA, MOFSL

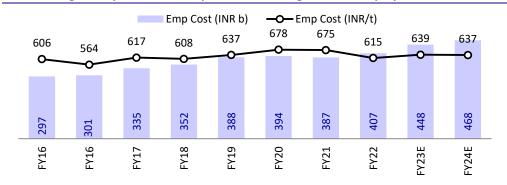
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Exhibit 5: Higher dispatches to adequately cover manpower cost; average wage hike to normalize post FY24E



Source: MOFSL

Exhibit 6: Higher dispatches will keep a check on rising absolute employee cost



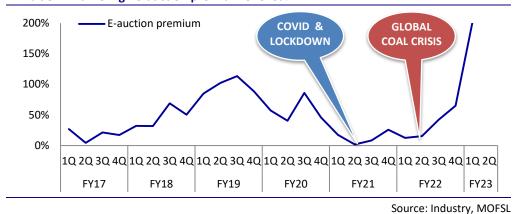
Source: Industry, MOFSL

Exhibit 7: Decline in E-auction premium to be offset by higher volumes



Source: Industry, Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 8: All-time high e-auction premium of 329%



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Exhibit 9: Adjusted P&L (INR m)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue	9,95,469	9,60,803	9,00,260	10,97,135	13,72,126	12,73,285
Power FSA	6,40,826	6,24,312	5,84,460	7,26,889	8,84,313	9,64,942
Non Power FSA	1,24,788	1,42,822	1,19,007	1,07,430	1,47,867	79,221
E-auction	2,29,856	1,93,669	1,96,793	2,62,816	3,39,946	2,29,122
Sales (mt)	608	581	574	662	700	735
YoY (%)	4.9	-4.5	-1.3	15.5	5.7	5.0
Power FSA	458	426	407	495	580	601
Share (%)	75	73	71	75	83	82
Non Power FSA	67	75	65	45	52	55
E-auction	83	80	102	122	68	80
Revenue per ton	1,637	1,653	1,569	1,657	1,960	1,732
YoY (%)	10.6	1.0	-5.1	5.5	18.3	-11.6
Power FSA	1,399	1,465	1,438	1,467	1,524	1,607
Non Power FSA	1,851	1,904	1,831	2,398	2,840	1,449
E-auction	2,777	2,418	1,929	2,152	5,032	2,872
Cost of Mining (ex. OBR)	6,94,986	6,86,176	7,00,022	8,12,621	8,98,028	9,68,986
CoP per ton	1,143	1,181	1,220	1,227	1,283	1,318
YoY (%)	1.1	3.3	3.4	0.5	4.6	2.8
Labour & social OH	644	688	682	623	646	645
Contract	220	239	279	285	316	363
R&M	158	129	121	202	204	193
Others	120	125	138	118	117	119
Adjusted EBIDTA	3,00,483	2,74,627	2,00,238	2,84,514	4,74,098	3,04,299

Exhibit 10: Key assumptions and changes to our estimates

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	UoM		FY23E			FY24E	
		New	Old	% change	New	Old	% change
Production	mt	700	700	0%	735	735	0%
Dispatch	mt						
- FSA	"	632	623	2%	655	654	0%
- E-auction	"	57	59	-5%	69	63	10%
- Others	"	11	11	0%	11	11	-1%
Total Dispatch	· ·	700	693	1%	735	728	1%
ASP							
- Blended	INR/t	1,830	1,708	7%	1,603	1,575	2%
- FSA	"	1,502	1,441	4%	1,464	1,456	1%
- E-auction	"	5,086	4,155	22%	2,644	2,485	6%
- E-auction premium	"	239%	188%	5039bps	81%	71%	996bps
Revenue	INR b	1,372	1,274	7.7	1,273	1,241	2.6
Adj EBITDA	INR b	474	387	22.4	304	287	6.1
PAT	INR b	329	259	26.8	187	183	2.7

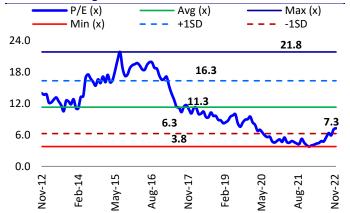
Source: MOSL, Company

Exhibit 11: Valuation remains attractive as demand for COAL remains strong

Target Price calculations	UoM	FY23E
Adjusted EBIDTA	INR b	474
Target EV/EBITDA (x)	Х	4.0
Target EV	INR b	1,896
Net debt	INR b	-110
Equity value	INR b	2,007
TP		325

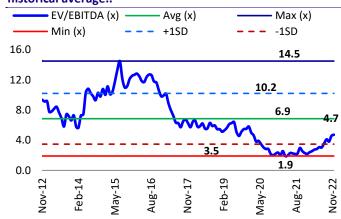
Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 12: COAL P/E multiple remains cheap & below its historical average...



Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 13: Even the EV/EBITDA multiple is below its historical average..



Source: MOFSL, Company

**Exhibit 14: Comparable valuation of global coal companies** 

	M-Cap P/E (x)			E۱	EV/EBITDA (x)			P/B (x)			RoE (%)		
	USD m	CY21/	CY22/	CY23/	CY21/	CY22/	CY23/	CY21/	CY22/	CY23/	CY21/	CY22/	CY23/
Company	002	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY22	FY23	FY24
Coal*	18,785	8.8	6.9	8.8	4.2	4.4	5.5	3.6	2.8	2.4	40.3	41.1	27.7
China Shenhua	a 78,558	5.6	6.1	6.3	3.9	4.3	4.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	19.1	16.8	15.7
Banpu	2,938	2.3	3.8	6.1	2.5	3.6	3.3	0.9	0.9	0.7	40.1	24.8	13.2
Bukit Asam	2,819	3.4	4.0	4.7	2.3	2.7	3.2	1.4	1.3	1.2	44.8	33.0	25.5
Adaro Energy	7,826	3.3	4.8	7.0	1.7	2.3	2.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	43.3	26.5	18.2

Source: MOFSL, Company, Bloomberg. (\*) denotes MOFSL estimates

# **Financials and valuations**

Income Statement									(INR b)
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Net Sales	780	784	859	995	961	900	1,097	1,372	1,273
Change (%)	0.0	0.5	9.6	15.9	-3.5	-6.3	21.9	25.1	-7.2
Operating Expenses	593	660	689	746	742	715	850	921	993
EBITDA	187	124	170	250	219	186	247	452	281
% of Net Sales	24.0	15.8	19.7	25.1	22.8	20.6	22.5	32.9	22.0
Adjusted EBITDA	215	151	203	300	275	200	285	474	304
adj. EBITDA/ton	403	277	350	494	473	349	430	677	414
Depreciation	28	29	31	35	35	37	44	46	48
Interest	4	4	4	3	5	6	5	5	6
Other Income	59	55	47	59	61	38	39	37	24
Extra Ordinary income	0	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	0
PBT	215	146	107	271	241	180	236	437	251
Tax	72	52	37	97	74	53	62	108	63
Rate (%)	33.4	35.4	34.6	35.6	30.6	29.5	26.4	24.7	25.2
PAT before Min. Int.	143	94	70	175	167	127	174	329	187
Minority Interest									
Reported PAT	143	94	70	175	167	127	174	329	187
Change (%)	0.1	-34.1	-25.5	148.8	-4.4	-23.9	36.8	89.3	-43.0
Adjusted PAT	143	94	119	175	167	127	174	329	187
Change (%)	0.1	-34.1	26.3	46.8	-4.4	-23.9	36.8	89.3	-43.0
Balance Sheet									(INR b)
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Share Capital	63	62	62	62	62	62	62	62	62
Reserves	285	183	136	203	260	304	370	534	628
Net Worth	348	245	198	265	322	365	431	596	690
Minority Interest	1	3	4	4	4	4	7	7	7
Loans	12	30	15	22	64	59	33	33	33
Deffered tax Liability	-20	-27	-54	-43	-33	-41	-41	-41	-41
Capital Employed	341	251	164	248	357	388	430	594	688
Current Firmed Assests	224	277	226	402	474	FCF	cco	700	020
Gross Fixed Assets	<b>234</b> 27	<b>277</b> 56	<b>326</b> 85	<b>402</b> 116	<b>474</b> 150	<b>565</b> 187	<b>660</b> 232	<b>780</b> 278	<b>920</b> 326
Less: Depreciation  Net Fixed Assets	207	221	241	286	323	378	428	502	520 594
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Capital Work in Progress	0	103	138 3	137 5	128 9	151 23	168 24	248	308 49
Investments Current Assets	841	<b>809</b>	839	857	1,007	1,025			1,099
	76	89	64	56	66	89	<b>1,141</b> 71	<b>1,143</b> 94	87
Inventory Debtors	114	107	87	55	144	196	114	226	174
Other Current Assets	241	285	351	392	490	524	588	677	711
Loans and Advances	1	0	10		490 11	6	4	4	4
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Cash Current Liabilities	409 <b>767</b>	327 <b>882</b>	326 1.058	338	295	209	365 1 221	144	123
Payables	33	39	<b>1,058</b> 45	<b>1,037</b> 68	<b>1,110</b> 101	<b>1,189</b> 76	<b>1,331</b>	<b>1,343</b> 75	<b>1,361</b>
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Other current liabilities	734	843	1,012	968	1,009	1,113	1,245	1,268	1,291
Net Curr. Assets	74	-73	-218	-179	-104	-164	-190	-200	-263
Application of Funds	341	251	164	248	357	388	430	594	688

# **Financials and valuations**

Ratios									
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Basic									
Adjusted EPS	22.6	15.2	19.2	28.3	27.1	20.6	28.2	53.4	30.4
Cash EPS	31.5	24.2	29.5	42.2	41.7	29.0	41.5	64.5	42.1
Book Value	55.1	39.5	32.0	42.9	52.2	59.3	70.0	96.7	111.9
DPS	27.4	19.9	16.5	13.1	12.0	16.0	17.0	26.7	15.2
Payout (incl. Div. Tax.)	145.5	160.3	103.3	55.5	53.3	77.6	60.3	50.0	50.0
Valuation (x)									
P/E	12.9	19.3	14.8	8.4	4.9	6.3	8.8	4.7	8.2
Cash P/E	9.3	12.1	9.6	5.6	3.2	4.5	6.0	3.9	5.9
P/BV	5.3	7.4	8.9	5.5	2.5	2.2	3.6	2.6	2.2
EV/Adj. EBITDA	6.7	10.1	7.1	3.8	2.1	3.3	4.2	3.0	4.8
Dividend Yield (%)	9.4	6.8	5.8	5.5	9.1	12.3	6.8	10.7	6.1
EV /ton of Reserves	66.6	69.9	66.6	52.7	26.8	30.0	55.5	65.6	66.6
Profitability Ratios (%)									
Debtor (Days)	53.6	50.0	36.9	20.2	54.7	79.6	37.8	60.0	50.0
Inventory (Days)	35.4	41.7	27.4	20.5	25.1	36.3	23.5	25.0	25.0
Payables (Days)	15.4	18.2	19.2	25.0	38.4	31.0	28.6	20.0	20.0
Asset turnover(x)	2.3	3.1	5.2	4.0	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.3	1.9
Profitability Ratios (%)									
RoE	41.0	38.4	35.4	66.0	51.9	34.8	40.3	55.2	27.2
RoCE	39.9	32.7	58.4	85.7	56.4	35.4	43.5	65.0	29.9
RoIC	-60.6	-40.0	-37.7	-51.7	-83.4	-295.0	-243.4	1,900	95
Leverage Ratio									
Net Debt/Equity (x)	-1.1	-1.2	-1.6	-1.2	-0.7	-0.4	-0.8	-0.2	-0.1

Cash Flow Statement									(INR b)
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Adj EBITDA*	215	151	203	300	275	200	285	474	304
Non cash exp. (income)	22	37	-55	11	10	19	15	9	9
(Inc)/Dec in WC	-27	60	138	-49	-123	-57	174	-146	52
Taxes paid	-79	-89	-74	-95	-119	-57	-63	-108	-63
CF from Operations	132	158	213	167	41	106	411	230	303
Capex	-58	-87	-85	-73	-56	-110	-120	-200	-200
Free Cash Flow	74	72	127	94	-15	-4	291	30	103
(Pur)/Sale of Investments	0	0	-3	-1	-5	-8	-8	-20	-5
Interest/dividend	50	35	24	31	35	24	11	28	15
Other investing activity	-83	-12	-13	-10	11	-14	-5	-88	-34
CF from Investments	-91	-65	-77	-54	-15	-107	-121	-281	-224
Equity raised/(repaid)	0	-46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Debt raised/(repaid)	10	18	-15	7	23	-6	-26	0	0
Interest paid	0	0	0	0	-1	-2	-1	-5	-6
Dividend (incl. tax)	-208	-151	-123	-112	-97	-77	-108	-164	-94
Other financing	3	3	3	4	5	0	0	0	0
CF from Fin. Activity	-196	-176	-136	-102	-70	-85	-134	-170	-99
Inc/Dec of Cash	-155	-82	-1	12	-43	-86	155	-221	-21
Add: Beginning Balance	564	409	327	326	338	295	209	365	144
Closing Balance	409	327	326	338	295	209	365	144	123

Explanation of Investment Rating								
Investment Rating	Expected return (over 12-month)							
BUY	>=15%							
SELL	<-10%							
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