



The Ministry of Coal has undertaken 13 railway projects to create multimodal connectivity in line with the goals of PM Gati Shakti's National Master Plan (NMP) and identified missing infrastructure gaps for each project (2 June).

The Coal Ministry said in a release that four railway projects have been successfully mapped in the NMP portal under high impact projects that will be developed in the states of Jharkhand and Odisha and will facilitate coal movement with rapid logistics and wider connectivity for all commercial miners.

In order to create a cleaner environment in coal transportation, the Coal Ministry has accelerated rail evacuation and launched new initiatives to progressively shift away from coal transportation by road in the country, the release said.

"Planned construction of new broad gauge rail lines in Greenfield coal bearing areas, extending the rail links to newer loading points and doubling and tripling the rail lines in some cases will enhance rail capacity considerably," it added.

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