

By the end of the current fiscal year, South Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (SECL) hopes to increase the capacity of its Gevra mine to 70 MTPA, making it the largest coal-producing facility in the world.

The official said in an interview in Bilaspur that SECL's Gevra mine, which is situated near Korba, about 193 kilometres from Raipur, the capital of Chhattisgarh, is currently the fourth largest coal mine in the world.

While two of the largest coal mines are in the US, one is in Indonesia, Mishra said adding "we are in expansion mode of our Gevra mine to 70 million tonne per annum (MTPA) to make it the world's single largest coal producing site."

In the financial year 2022-23, the mine produced 52.5 MT of coal which was above its target for the year, the Chairman-cum-Managing Director said.

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