

## Core infra expands by 8.1 per cent

The combined Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI) increased by 8.1 per cent (provisional) in September 2023 as compared to the Index of September 2022. The production of Coal, Steel, Electricity, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Cement and Fertilizers recorded positive growth in September 2023 over the corresponding month of last year. The ICI measures combined and individual performance of production of eight core industries viz. Cement, Coal, Crude Oil, Electricity, Fertilizers, Natural Gas, Refinery Products and Steel. The Eight Core Industries comprise 40.27 percent of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

The y-o-y growth rate of **Coal** Stands at 16.1%, **Crude oil** at -0.4%, **Natural Gas** at 6.5%, **Refinery Products** at 5.5%, **Fertilizers** at 4.2%, **Steel** at 9.6%, **Cement** at 4.7% and **Electricity** at 9.3% in September 2023 as the y-o-y growth rate of Coal Stands at 17.9%, Crude oil at 2.1%, Natural Gas at 10.0%, Refinery Products at 9.5%, Fertilizers at 1.8%, Steel at 12.4%, Cement at 19.3% and Electricity at 15.3% in August 2023.



**Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI, compiled from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.** Note: August 23 - September 23 are Provisional. YoY is calculated over the corresponding month of the previous year.

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