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## **Synopsis**

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Union Minister G <u>Kishan Reddy</u> on Saturday refuted <u>Telangana</u> Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao's allegations of alloting coal mines only to <u>Gujarat</u>, and said that the Centre has given coal mines not as per its wish but through an open auction.

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"KCR is making a false accusation that the central government is alloting coal mines to government companies in Gujarat and not giving it to the Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. (SCCL) in Telangana. Before 2020, the allotment has been given to Singareni and also to Telangana GENCO for power generation. The same has been given to Gujarat. After 2020, the central government decided that the coal mining allocation will be through an open auction," he said.

"The country is facing a huge problem because of coal shortage as government companies that are allocated the mines are not mining coal. Power generation and employment generation have decreased," Reddy added.

Stating that coal should be made based on demand and supply, the Minister said that the private sector should also be made a part of this.

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