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Key highlights of ICI for the month of October 2026

The Index of Core Industries (ICI) grew by 10.9 per cent in October 2026 (Provisional) on a year-on-year basis, compared with October 2025. This is higher than the growth rate of 8.2 per cent recorded in September 2026 (Final Index).

Iron Ore, Coal, Electricity, Cement, Steel, and Refinery Products observed (Y-o-Y) growth rate of 26.4 per cent, 23.1 per cent, 21.6 per cent, 15.4 per cent, 7.3 per cent, and 3.4 per cent, respectively, whereas Natural Gas, Crude Oil, and Fertilizers witnessed negative growth in October 2026.



Iron Ore, Electricity, Cement, Coal and Steel have been the major drivers of overall growth of ICI during recent months.

Cumulative growth rate of ICI during April-October 2026 was 6.0 per cent (Provisional) compared to 2.3 per cent in the corresponding period of the previous year.