

## Avdiivka Coke Plant resumes production of electrode pitch

A tar distillation shop was commissioned at Metinvest Group's Avdiivka Coke Plant. An electrode pitch granulation and packing line was restarted.

The shop was stopped about a month ago due to unstable power supply at the plant as a result of continuous shelling. The ceasefire made it possible for electricity specialists to repair three of four high voltage inputs that feed Avdiivka Coke Plant.

The tar distillation shop makes seven types of products that have a high cost and are in high demand by Ukrainian and international companies. The key product of the shop is electrode pitch (liquid and granulated). It is used in non-ferrous metallurgy. Avdiivka Coke currently supplies pitch to aluminium plants located in the CIS, Europe and Africa.

The tar distillation shop was stopped due to the severe damage that Avdiivka Coke sustained as a result of shelling. The shop was shutdown for more than eight months. The resumption in operation of the equipment helped save the jobs of 100 employees at the plant.

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