

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA

QUESTION NO 26.07.2010

ANSWERED ON

BLAST AT ANJAN HILLS COAL MINES IN KORIYA .

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SHRI R.C. SINGH

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT COAL be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that four persons including a senior official were killed and many miners were seriously injured in a powerful blast at Anjan Hills Coal Mines in Koriya district of Chhattisgarh on 6th May, 2010;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted into the incident;

(d) if so, the findings thereof; and

(e) what action has been taken against the officials responsible for this disaster?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) : Yes, Sir. A powerful blast took place at Anjan Hill Coal Mine on 06.05.2010 at about 11.40 AM causing death of 14 persons including one senior official and injury to 8 persons.

(b) : The details of 14 fatalities are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the deceased	Designation
1.	Sh. S. K. Goswami	General Manager (Opr.)
2.	Sh. Abhishek Mishra	Management Trainee
3.	Sh. A. M. Paul	Sr. Overman
4.	Sh. Swaminath	Sr. Overman
5.	Sh. SVR Raju	Mining Sirdar
6.	Sh. Santosh Yadav	Electrician
7.	Sh. Tapan Sarkar	Rescue BM
8.	Sh. Jagdish	Roof Bolter
9.	Sh. Radhey Shyam	Roof Bolter
10.	Sh. Bali Singh	Timber Mazdoor
11.	Sh. Dal Bahadur	Strata Control Personnel
12.	Sh. Bansh Lal	Timber Helper
13.	Sh. Ravinder Sah	General Mazdoor
14.	Sh. Nirmal	Contractor's Worker

Details of seriously injured are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the Seriously Injured	Designation
1.	Sh. J.N. Dash	Superintendent of Mines
2.	Sh. P.K. Mitra	Rescue Superintendent
3.	Sh. G.N. Hikare	Engineer (E&M)
4.	Sh. Ram Awatar Sharma	Assistant Foreman
5.	Md. Irfan	Overman
6.	Sh. Gulam Mohammad	Mechanical Fitter
7.	Sh. Lal Babu	Timberman
8.	Sh. R.R. Mishra	Timber Mistry

(c) to (e): A High Powered Expert Committee consisting of the following Experts in the field of Mines Fire, has been constituted by Coal India Ltd. to enquire into the disaster:

1. Mr. B.C. Bhowmic, Ex-Scientist 'G', – Chairman Central Institute of Mining & Fuel Research
2. Prof. D. C. Panigrahi, Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad
3. Prof. N. C. Karmakar, Banaras Hindu University – Indian Institute of Technology
4. Prof. B. S. Shastri, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

The inquiry is in progress and appropriate action will be taken based on the findings of the report of the Committee.