

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 06.12.2010
ANSWERED ON
KERANDARI B C COAL BLOCK .

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the Kerandari B & C coal mines in Jharkhand is the largest coal reserve in India and among the top three in the world;
- (b) the details of its estimated coal reserves;
- (c) whether the entire Kerandari B & C coal block has been allocated to the private developers of the Tilaiya Ultra Mega Power Project (UMPP);
- (d) if so, the details thereof indicating the proposed date of commencement of commercial operation of Tilaiya project and the estimated annual coal required therefor;
- (e) whether it is a fact that the developers are allowed to divert coal of those mines; and
- (f) if so, conditions prescribed therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a):No, Sir.

(b):The estimated coal reserves of Kerandari B & C blocks are as follows:

Proved Reserve - 916.52 Million tonnes
Indicated Reserve - 312.60 Million tonnes
Total Reserve - 1299.12 Million tonnes

(c):Yes, Sir.

(d):The proposed date of commencement of operation of Tilaiya project is February, 2014 . The coal requirement of Tilaiya project has been assessed as 16 million tonnes per year (Mty).

(e) & (f) : The company will utilize 16 Mty of coal exclusively for Tilaiya Ultra Mega Power Project (UMPP) and surplus coal/middlings/rejects if any would be disposed off as per the conditions laid down in the allocation letter.