

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
EXPORT OF COAL .

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government has exported coal to various countries during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the quantity of coal exported during the said period, year-wise and country-wise: and
- (c) the steps taken to improve production and export of coal?

ANSWER

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

(SRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Coal India Ltd.(CIL) has been exporting a nominal quantity of coal over past few years only to one of the neighboring country i.e. Nepal based on request received from Government of Nepal. Year-wise quantity of coal exported to Nepal is as under:-

Year	Quantity of coal exported (in lac tones)
2007-08	0.10
2008-09	0.17
2009-10	0.07

(b): While a series of steps including allotment of 208 coal blocks to private/public companies to add new capacity in the coal sector have been initiated by the Government, however, due to excess domestic demand, the exports of coal from the country can not be increased.