

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3520
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2017**

Coal sale of CIL

3520. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Coal India Limited (CIL) is struggling to sell all the coal it currently produces, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) the target for coal sale in the current financial year and the achievement till date?

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MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) : For the year 2016-17, the coal offtake target for CIL is 598.61 Million Tonne (MT). The off take performance of CIL in the current year (up to 22.03.2017) has been 527.31 MT (Provisional). As the power plants had coal stock of 38.875 MT at the beginning of the year 2016-17, they regulated coal lifting and preferred to consume coal from their own stocks for power generation. Heavy rains in coalfields in August, 2016 & September 2016 and some local law & order issues in certain pockets had also impacted coal transportation and off take.
