GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3252 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2018

Shortfall in production of coal

3252. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that yearly figures of actual coal production have been consistently falling short of production targets for more than six years; and
- (b) if so, reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The details of all India raw coal production against target and shortfall during the last six years are given below:

Year	Annual Target	Actual	Absolute shortfall
2011-12	554.00	539.95	14.05
2012-13	574.40	556.40	18.00
2013-14	604.55	565.77	38.78
2014-15	630.25	609.18	21.07
2015-16	700.00	639.23	60.77
2016-17	724.71	662.79	61.92

All India coal production has increased from 565.77 MT in 2013-14 to 662.79 MT in 2016-17. CIL has increased its production from 462.41 MT in 2013-14 to 554.14 MT in 2016-17. The increase of 91.73 MT in actual production achieved by CIL in the last three years took more than six years to achieve before 2013-14.

(b): Reasons for non-achievement of target are due to issues relating to:

- i) Land acquisition.
- ii) Forest Clearance.
- iii) Environmental Clearance.
- iv) Rehabilitation & Resettlement.
- v) Law & Order.
- vi) Evacuation of coal.
