GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1405 ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

Resumption of work in Rajhara colliery

1405. SHRI SAMIR ORAON:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Rajhara colliery at Palamu, Jharkhand has got a coal reserve;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that no mining activity has been undertaken since last 14 years despite having the said reserves;
- (c) whether mining work was halted over there, subsequent to water ingress taking place in the mine, during the year 2008; and
- (d) if so, the plans being made by Government to resume mining work in such closed mines, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

- (a): Yes. Sir.
- **(b) & (c):** Due to imposition of statutory order by DGMS, all mining operations, except pumping operation, were suspended between between 24.10.2010 to 17.12.2020 after ingress of water.
- (d): At present, mining work at Rajhara colliery has resumed and overburden is being removed. CIL has identified following closed/discontinued/abandoned coal mines for reopening on revenue sharing basis:

S. No.	Subsidiary	Name of Mine
1		Walni
2	WCL	A-B Incline
3		Pipla UG Mine
4		Wirur UG Mine
5		Rajur Pit UG
6		Rawanwara Khas
7		Mahakali
8		Patansongi
9	CCI	Khas Karanpura
10	CCL	Central Saunda
11		Saunda D

12		Moira UG
13	ECL	Madhujore UG
14		Gopinathpur UG
15		Chinakuri -I
16		Girmint & KD Incline
17	MCL	Talcher UG
18		Orient Colliery NO 4 UG
19	SECL	Kalyani
20		Bartunga
21		Anjan Hills
22		Birshinghpur
23		PB Project (Bhagaband, 10/12/KB, PB, KB 5/6)
24		Begunia
25	BCCL	Salanpur
26		Amlabad
27		Lohapatti
28		Madhuband
29		Loyabad
30		Kharkharee