

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3550
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023**

Participation of Andhra Pradesh auction of coal blocks

3550. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR;

Will the Minister of *COAL* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh and its agencies/companies/power generation companies participated in the auction process for coal blocks/mines in the recently held coal blocks auction conducted by Government, if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is contemplating any action against those States who did not participate in the recently held coal auction but importing coal from foreign countries; and
- (c) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

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

- (a) No, Sir. In the recently completed 6th round of Commercial Auction, no agencies/ companies/ power generation company of Government of Andhra Pradesh participated.
- (b) to (c) There is no policy to take any action against states for non-participation in recently held coal block auctions.
