GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 685 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2024

Coal production in Andhra Pradesh

685 Shri Beedha Masthan Rao Yadav:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total coal production in the State of Andhra Pradesh for the last three years;
- (b) the details of coal reserves measured, and indicated in Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of the grade of the above reserves; and
- (d) whether Government is trying to explore or identify new locations of the coal reserves in Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a): There is no coal production in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years.
- **(b) & (c):** The grade-wise details of the coal resources measured and indicated in the State of Andhra Pradesh as per the Coal Inventory of India published by Geological Survey of India (GSI) as of 01.04.2023 is as under:

[Figure in Million Tonne (MT)]

Measured								
G 1- G 3	G 4- G 5	G 6	G7 - G 8	G 9 - G 14	G 15 – G 17	Total		
0.00	0.06	0.45	14.94	892.81	116.39	1024.65		

[Figure in Million Tonne (MT)]

Indicated								
G 1- G 3	G 4- G 5	G 6	G7 - G 8	G 9 - G 14	G 15 – G 17	Total		
0.00	0.00	2.89	22.84	2128.72	214.49	2368.94		

(d): Finding new areas for mining coal through exploration is a continuous process. Government is undertaking exploration for identification of new locations of coal resources in the entire country including Andhra Pradesh. There are two sub schemes i.e. Promotional (Regional) exploration continuing through Central Sector Scheme (CSS) of Ministry of Coal for exploration of new areas of coal & lignite and Detailed Exploration in Non-CIL Blocks.

Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL) and Geological Survey of India (GSI) carries out exploration and investigation of minerals including coal. At present, no coal exploration is being carried out by the CMPDIL in the State of Andhra Pradesh.
