

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *10
ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025

**PROPOSAL FOR HEADQUARTERS OF COAL INDIA IN THE STATE OF
JHARKHAND**

*10. SMT. MAHUA MAJI:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the State of Jharkhand owns approximately 27–32 per cent of country's total coal reserves, if so, the reasons for the headquarters of Coal India not being located in the State of Jharkhand;
- (b) the reason for not planing to establish the headquarters of Coal India in the State of Jharkhand despite the fact that it would promote employment, technical expertise, and development in the State; and
- (c) whether Government would put an end to the discrimination being faced by the people of the State of Jharkhand, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 10 ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025 REGARDING PROPOSAL FOR HEADQUARTERS OF COAL INDIA IN THE STATE OF JHARKHAND ASKED BY SMT. MAHUA MAJI.

(a) & (b): As per the inventory published by the Geological Survey of India as on 01.04.2025, Jharkhand holds about **23.27%** (93,254.06 million tonnes) of the country's total coal resources (400,715.45 million tonnes).

The registered office of Coal India Limited (CIL) is located at Kolkata in West Bengal. However, three wholly owned subsidiaries of CIL - Central Coalfield Limited (CCL), Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL), and Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL) are based in Jharkhand. Indian Institute of Coal Management (IICM), a state-of-the-art Training Centre of CIL is also located in Jharkhand.

Calcutta (Kolkata) was selected as CIL's headquarters due to its strategic locational advantages as a major metropolitan city and port, with excellent rail, road, air, and port connectivity facilitating efficient coal, machinery, and personnel movement. Its proximity to key coalfields, developed infrastructure, public-sector institutions, and industrial prominence further support its suitability as CIL's registered headquarters.

(c): The Government acknowledges the concerns regarding regional development and equitable growth. While there is no proposal under consideration to relocate CIL's headquarters, the Government remains committed to promoting balanced regional development and addressing any perceived discrimination of the people in any State of India, including Jharkhand.
