

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.789
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2017

Pollution by Coal Mining

789. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the production of coal accounts for the substantial rise of dust particles in the air and the menace of water pollution; and
- (b) if so, the measures taken by the Government for processing of dust produced by coal mining and for recycling of water?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) Activities related to production of coal such as drilling, blasting, extraction, transportation and crushing may lead to rise of dust particles in air and water pollution.
- (b) The measures taken by the Government for mitigation of dust produced by coal mining and for recycling of water include use of Automatic, Mobile and Fixed Water Sprinklers, Wet Drilling, Side Discharge Loaders, Load Haul Dumpers and Conveyors, Plantation, Effluent Treatment Plants, Sewage Treatment Plants, Reuse/recycle of water and construction of Garland Drain around overburden dumps terminating at sedimentation ponds to arrest flow of silt to the rivers/nalas.
