

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2035
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2017**

Decline in Production of Coal

2035. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a steady decline in the production of coal in the Western Coalfield Limited (WCL);
- (b) if so, the quantum of decrease in the production of coal since 2014; and
- (c) the action plan prepared/ to be prepared by the Government to check the decline in the production and to increase the production?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR COAL,
POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES**

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): Western Coalfields Limited (WCL) has witnessed an increase in production during last three years and achieved a growth of 3.6% in 2014-15, 8.9% in 2015-16 and 1.8% in 2016-17.

(c): With a view to increase production, 18 new projects have been commissioned by WCL till June 2017.
