

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.750
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2017

Women Workers in Coal Mines

750. **SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of women workers in coal mines has declined during the last ten years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Coal India Limited (CIL) has adopted a policy to discourage employment of women in coal mines; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a & b): Yes, the total number of women workers in coal mines has declined marginally in the normal course during the last ten years due to superannuation, death and voluntary retirement. It may be observed that the percentage of women workers is approximately the same at 6.78 % on 01.04.2017 as it was on 01.04.2008 i.e. 6.86 %. The details of total number of employees between 01.04.2008 and 01.04.2017 are as follows:

Status as on	Total Employees	No. of Female Employees			% of Female Employees
		Executive	Non-executive	TOTAL	
01.04.2008	426077	502	28750	29252	6.86
01.04.2009	412350	507	28530	29037	7.04
01.04.2010	397138	512	27909	28421	7.15
01.04.2011	383347	545	27736	28281	7.37
01.04.2012	371546	694	27263	27957	7.52
01.04.2013	357926	849	26559	27408	7.65
01.04.2014	346638	870	25983	26853	7.74

01.04.2015	333097	940	24693	25633	7.69
01.04.2016	322404	958	21177	22135	6.86
01.04.2017	310016	994	20050	21044	6.78

(c & d): No, madam. Coal India Limited (CIL) has not adopted any policy to discourage employment of women in coal mines.
