

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3086
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018**

RAILWAY RAKES FOR COAL

3086. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an insufficiency in rail line links to mines;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps taken to address unavailability to railway rakes with a view to ensure efficient coal supply?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. All major mines are presently well served by existing rail line links. However, development of additional rail line link is a need based ongoing continuous process. The links are developed as per operational, commercial and technical needs of users.

(c): To ensure efficient coal supply, railway rakes are supplied as per demands of customers. To fulfil these demands additional wagons are inducted on a continuous basis. In the year 2015-16 and 2016-17, 18,261 new wagons, suitable for carrying coal (BOXN and BOBR wagon) have been inducted.
