

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3122  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018**

**Quality Coal**

**3122. SHRI OM BIRLA:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the quantity of the coal produced quality wise in India during the last three years;
- (b) the quantity of coal imported from various countries across the world during the previous year;
- (c) whether there is a shortage of quality coal for the production of electricity in the country and if so, the measures taken by the Government to overcome this problem in the country; and
- (d) whether there has been several occasions of disputes between Coal India Limited (CIL) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) regarding the quality of coal which is supplied by the CIL to various NTPC's power units and if so, the action/steps taken by the Government to reduce such disputes?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a):** The quantity of the coal produced quality-wise in India during the last three years is given below:-

( in Million Tonnes)

Grade	PRODUCTION		
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17(Provisional)
Steel-I	0.050	0.037	0.023
Steel-II	0.456	1.051	1.004
SC-1	0.130	0.135	0.110
Wash-I	0.115	0.415	0.314
Wash-II	2.228	2.493	3.422
Wash-III	12.335	12.968	11.084
Wash-IV	42.132	43.788	45.704
<b>Total Coking</b>	<b>57.446</b>	<b>60.887</b>	<b>61.661</b>
G1	2.740	3.831	3.832
G2	0.565	0.341	0.309
G3	5.469	5.189	5.279
G4	19.025	17.665	17.319
G5	14.789	16.302	13.112
G6	22.680	13.114	14.140
G7	37.838	39.038	35.961
G8	30.523	33.150	29.450
G9	52.704	44.579	37.769
G10	64.411	82.855	98.074
G11	130.703	147.460	143.133
G12	79.169	90.578	92.317
G13	76.348	77.619	90.838
G14	5.054	1.439	7.440
G15	3.806	4.073	3.540
G16	2.627	0.418	7.769
G17	3.258	0.666	0.531
UNG	0.024	0.026	0.318
<b>Total Non-Coking</b>	<b>551.733</b>	<b>578.343</b>	<b>601.131</b>
<b>Total Coal</b>	<b>609.179</b>	<b>639.230</b>	<b>662.792</b>

**(b):** The quantity of coal imported from various countries during the previous year 2016-17 was 190.95 Million Tonnes.

**(c):** By and large, the requirement of coal for Power sector is for supply of lower grades coal. In terms of extant policy and Government directives, CIL is supplying requisite quality of coal to Power sector for electricity production. In order to ensure supply of requisite quality coal, a mechanism of independent Third Party sampling at loading end has already been put in place covering different schemes under which supplies are being made to power houses.

**(d):** Prior to the directives issued by Ministry of Coal dated 26.11.16 for independent third party sampling mechanism at loading end, sampling was being undertaken by third party agencies appointed both by CIL and NTPC independently. Due to variation in result of these third parties, difficulties were being faced in finalization of quality of coal dispatched. However, consequent to issuance of Standard Operating Procedure on Third Party Sampling at loading end, the issues have largely been settled. For smooth operationalization of the mechanism, a committee has been constituted to oversee the implementation process. Further, Alternate Dispute Redressal Mechanism (ADRM) has been set up at the Government level to ensure redressal of disputes, if any.

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