

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6152
TO BE ANSWER ON 04.04.2018**

Decreasing Coal Production in WCM

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether production of Western Coalfield mines (WCM) is regularly decreasing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with quantum of the decrease since 2014;
- (c) whether the Government has made any scheme/likely to make a scheme to stop the downfall and increase the production;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b): The details of growth of coal production of Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL) during the last three years i.e. 2014-15 to 2016-17 and current year 2017-18 is given below:-

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (Provisional)
Production (MT)	41.12	44.82	45.63	46.22
Growth in (%)	3.60	8.99	1.81	1.29

(c)to(e): To boost its production capacity, WCL has opened-up 18 new / replacement mines in its command area since 2014-15. In addition, it has been allotted 4 new Coal Blocks in Orissa recently. This will further increase its capacity and production in coming years.

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