

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2322
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2018**

SUPPLY OF COAL TO POWER STATIONS

2322. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has received a request from the Ministry of Power for granting high priority for loading of coal from goods sheds to ensure higher supply of coal to power stations;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways has been able to provide the required number of rakes for the above purpose; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d) : Keeping in view the request of Ministry of Power regarding urgent need for building up of coal stocks in the power plants during summer/monsoon season, Ministry of Railways granted higher priority for loading of coal for power houses from

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goods sheds with effect from 19.05.2018 to 30.06.2018, which has been extended for a further period starting from 19.07.2018 to 31.07.2018 on the request of Ministry of Power. Adequate rakes are being made available for loading of coal for power houses from goods sheds and during the period from 19.05.2018 to 30.06.2018, 15.6 rakes per day were loaded for power houses from goods sheds.
