

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.54
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2018**

Supply of Coal to Power Stations

54. SHRI K.ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to supply coal power stations near mines through piped conveyor belt system in the near future and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether this move will check dust pollution caused during coal transportation by trucks to such plants and freeing upon railway rakes for supplies to faraway units and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COAL, FINANCE & CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): A decision has been taken in the meeting held on 25.01.2018 in the Ministry of Power that all Power Plants located within 20 km from pithead shall construct elevated closed belt conveyor within next 2 years i.e. up to 1st April 2020. The conveyor is environmental friendly operation as it will check dust pollution caused during coal transportation by trucks and shall free up railway rake for coal supply to far away power plants.
