

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1993**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.07.2019**

**Coal Exploration Survey**

**1993. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:**

Will the **MINISTER OF COAL** be pleased to state:

- a. whether plenty of coal reserve has been found in the course of coal exploration survey conducted during the last few years;
- b. if so the details thereof;
- c. whether the Government proposes to carry out mining of coal after the survey conducted in Churu and Bikaner area of Rajasthan; and
- d. if so, the time by which it is likely to be started?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES**  
**(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)**

**(a& b):** Coal Exploration Survey is a continuous process. After completion of exploration survey in a block, coal resources assessed and reported in Geological Report. As per coal Inventory of India published by Geological Survey of India (GSI), coal resources added by all agencies during last 5 years are given below:

| <b>Resource Added during</b> | <b>Total Resources Added<br/>(Billion Tonnes)</b> |
|------------------------------|---|
| 2013-14                      | 2.650   |
| 2014-15                      | 5.031   |
| 2015-16                      | 2.206   |
| 2016-17                      | 6.346   |
| 2017-18                      | 3.871   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 | <b>20.104</b>                                     |

**(c& d):** Availability of coal in Churu and Bikaner area of Rajasthan is not yet confirmed and accordingly, presently, there is no proposal to carry out mining of coal in that area.

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