

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3507
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Development Programmes around Coal Mines

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the development programmes launched around coal mines in the country; and
- (b) the impact of such development programmes on the social-economic status of people living around the said coal mines?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES
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(a)&(b): Coal companies in addition to contributing to the District Mineral Fund (DMF), carry out various programmes and activities through their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds which benefit the people living around coal mines. These programmes/activities are majorly undertaken in themes such as Healthcare, Education, Skill Development & Livelihood, Rural Development, Promotion of Sports, environment etc. The major projects/activities undertaken and their intended impact on the socio-economic status of the people are noted below:

S. No.	CSR Project/Activity	Impact
1	Skill Development & Livelihood: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training of youth from peripheral areas• Construction of Skill Development centers• Adoption of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skill development opportunities to enhance employability and self-employment for local youths• Opportunities of formal sector employment after training

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Livelihood development programmes in areas such as agro-forestry, poultry, handicrafts etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income generation for local people
2	<p>Rural Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of solar lights/high mast LED lights • Construction of roads • Water supply through tankers and piped systems, hand-pumps etc. • Water treatment plants • Electrification works • Construction of community centers • Adoption of villages for holistic development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved basic amenities for the residents • Improved connectivity of villages
3	<p>Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading school infrastructure & furniture • Installation of smart classes • Provision of Mid-day meals • Construction of hostels, libraries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better education and nutrition for students with improved learning outcomes
4	<p>Healthcare, Nutrition & Sanitation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of hospitals & medical colleges • Development of Anganwadi Centres • Construction of household and public toilets • Mobile medical van services • Providing equipment, ambulances etc. to hospitals • Promotion of menstrual hygiene methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better healthcare, sanitation, nutrition and immunization services
5	<p>Promotion of Sports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of youth in sports • Construction of sports facilities such as stadiums, sports complexes etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of rural sports, talent identification and nurturing

6	Environment Conservation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deepening/Renovation of ponds • Tree plantation • Construction of check dams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved ecological balance
7	Disaster Management during COVID-19 pandemic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial support to district administrations and state disaster management authorities • Arrangement of food for needy persons • Providing treatment infrastructure and equipment • Distribution of masks, hand sanitizers, gloves etc. • Installation of medical oxygen plants in hospitals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better management in dealing with the pandemic.
8	Others: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of folk and tribal art forms • Providing aids, appliances and development of accessibility-enabling infrastructure for differently-abled persons • Development of tourism infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preservation of art and culture • Better quality of life for differently-abled persons • Income for local people from increased tourist inflow.
