

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4138
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2020

Coal Production

4138. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI :

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether State-owned Coal India will be able to produce 750 million tonnes of coal in the next financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a reason to believe that the Coal India might not be able to reach the slated target for the next financial year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) For financial year 2020-21, 710 Million Tonnes (MT) is the proposed coal production target of Coal India Limited (CIL).

(c)&(d) CIL has been directed to make all efforts to achieve this target. In order to enhance coal production, Coal India Limited (CIL) has taken the following steps:

- CIL and its subsidiaries have planned and implemented higher capacity mega mines (Capacity>10MTY) with high mechanization. CIL has identified mines/projects for further capacity expansion plan till 2030.
- Portal based monitoring of on-going projects to ensure timely completion of projects.
- Introduction of Surface Miners in opencast mines to improve operational efficiency and cater to environmental needs. During 2018-19, around 50% of the opencast coal production in CIL was through Surface miners.
- Introduction of Mass Production Technology in underground coal mines: 2 mines are worked with Powered Support Longwall technology and 11 mines are worked with Continuous Miner technology.
