

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.688
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2020

Coal Production

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether coal production of the country has bumped up to record production as never before;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether considering the record production, the Government is planning to alleviate the problems of states suffering from scarcity of coal for their purposes by allocating sufficient supply of coal; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. All India raw coal production has increased from 565.77 MT in 2013-14 to 730.35 MT in 2018-19. Absolute increase in all India coal production during this period was 164.58 MT as compared to an increase of 73.01 MT achieved in the preceding five years (2008-09 to 2013-14). Coal India Limited (CIL) has also increased its production from 462.41 MT in 2013-14 to 606.89 MT in 2018-19, an absolute increase of 144.48 MT as compared to increase of coal production of 58.68 MT between 2008-09 and 2013-14.

(c)&(d): There is no scarcity of coal in the country. As on 30/01/2020, the coal stock with power plant was 34.72 MT for 19 days as compared to 19.95 MT for 12 days on similar date of previous year.

Further, as on 30/01/2020, the vendible coal stock was 32.31MT with Coal India Limited as compared to 27.79 MT on similar date of previous year. Coal is being supplied as per the demand of coal raised by consumers.

It is also pertinent to mention that in order to provide coal to various States and Central Power Generation companies, Government of India have brought SHAKTI policy in 2017 and further amended the provisions in 2019 to make it more consumer friendly.
