

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2951
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

Environmental Clearance to Coal Mining Projects

2951: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received proposals from the State Government of Jharkhand for environmental clearance to coal mining projects in Bokaro, Giridih, Dhanbad and Ramgarh districts of Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the environmental clearances have been granted to the proposed projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for delay in granting environmental clearances; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government to give environmental clearance to such projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) to (e) Ministry has received total 10 Coal Mining proposals from the State of Jharkhand seeking Environmental Clearance (EC) during the last one year (i.e. March, 2020 till date). Out of which, Environment Clearance to 7 proposals have been granted and 3 are at different stages of appraisal. The status of project received for Environment Clearance from March, 2020 to till date is provided at Annexure I, while status of proposal on which EC was granted is at Annexure-II

Environment Clearances are granted by the Ministry after the appraisal and recommendation of a technical committee (Expert Appraisal Committee) as per the Schedule I mandated in Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006. In order to facilitate expeditious appraisal and grant of Environment Clearance, Ministry has implemented the online Portal called as PARIVESH for submitting the application by Project Proponents and regularly conducting the Expert Appraisal Committee meeting for early appraisal of projects.

Annexure-I is with regard to Reply of part (a) to (e) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2951 by Shri Chandra Prakash Choudhary on Environmental Clearance to Coal Mining Projects due for reply on 12th March, 2021

Sr. No.	Proposal No.	Project Name	Company	Status of Proposal
1	IA/JH/CMIN /109757/2019	Modernization of Jamadoba Underground Coal Mine of 0.34 MTPA in ML Area of 927.17 ha by M/s Tata steel Limited at village Jorapokhar, PattiyaDungri, Tehsil Jharia, District Dhanbad (Jharkhand)	M/s Tata Steel West Bokaro Division	EAC considered the proposal in 8th its meeting held on 11th February, 2021 and deferred. EAC has sought certain technical clarification from Project Proponent.
2	IA/JH/CMIN /123390/2019	Amrapali Opencast Coal Mine from 14.4 MTPA to 25 MTPA (Peak) in an ML area of 619.87 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in District Chatra (Jharkhand),	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	EAC considered the proposal in 8th its meeting held on 11th February, 2021 and deferred. EAC has sought certain technical clarification from Project Proponent.
3	IA/JH/CMIN /77450/2018	Basantpur Tapin Coking Coal Washery of 4 MTPA in an area of 32.03 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in Kedla, District Ramgarh (Jharkhand)	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	EAC has recommended the project in its 7 th meeting held on 29 th January, 2021. Submitted for approval of Competent Authority

Annexure-II is with regard to Reply of part (a) to (e) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2951 by Shri Chandra Prakash Choudhary on Environmental Clearance to Coal Mining Projects due for reply on 12th March, 2021

Sr. No.	Proposal No.	Project Name	Company	EC Granted
1	IA/JH/CMIN /123390/2019	Amrapali Opencast Coal Mine from 12 MTPA to 14.4 MTPA (Peak) in an ML area of 619.87 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in District Chatra (Jharkhand),	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	20 th March, 2020
2	IA/JH/CMIN /18640/2013	Tapin South Open Cast Coal Mine Project from 0.6 MTPA to 2.00 MTPA Normative/2.50 MTPA Peak with an increase in ML area from 54.10 ha to 151.93 (after reducing 24.71 ha of forest land) of M/s Central Coalfields Limited, located in Tehsil Churchu, District Hazaribagh (Jharkhand)	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	1 st December, 2020
3	IA/JH/CMIN /27582/2015	Sayal D Opencast Coal Mine Project of 1.0 MTPA (Normative)/1.35 MTPA (Peak) of M/s Central Coalfields Ltd in a project area of 286.98 ha in District Ramgarh (Jharkhand)	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	21 st September, 2020
4	IA/JH/CMIN /65302/2017	Tubed Coal Mine Project of 6 MTPA of M/s Damodar Valley Corporation located in near Villages Tubed, mangra, dihi, ambajharan, dhobajharan, nawari, Tehsil Latehar, District Latehar (Jharkhand)	M/s Damodar Valley Corporation	28 th April, 2020
5	IA/JH/CMIN /68525/2017	Expansion of Selected Dhori Group of mines form 2.25 MTPA to 11 MTPA (peak) in an ML area 264.85 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in Tehsil Bermo, District Bokaro, Jharkhand	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	27 th April, 2020
6	IA/JH/CMIN /77799/2018	New Kathara Coking coal washery of 3 MTPA capacity in an area of 11.33 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in village Bandh Tehsil Gomia District Bokaro (Jharkhand)	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	15 th January, 2021
7	IA/JH/CMIN /9359/2007	Expansion of Topa-reorganization Open Cast Coal Mining Project from 1.2 MTPA to 1.68 MTPA in an area of 276.66 ha of M/s Central Coalfields Limited located in located in District Hazaribagh (Jharkhand)	M/s Central Coalfields Limited	13 th March, 2020

