

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 140
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021**

INFRASTRUCTURE FOR COAL INDUSTRIES

***140 SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the lack of proper infrastructure for coal industries in the State of Odisha and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Odisha has been granted any specific funds to develop infrastructure for coal industries; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) in respect of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 140 for answer on 28.07.2021 asked by Shri Anubhav Mohanty regarding “Infrastructure for Coal Industries”.

(a): Yes Sir. Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) has undertaken 09 First Mile Connectivity (FMC) projects for faster evacuation of coal from mines to siding through mechanized Coal Handling Plants (CHP)/SILO/Rapid Loading System (RLS) systems as part of providing proper infrastructure for MCL in the state of Odisha. Details of these FMC projects are as under:

S. No.	Name of the Project	Capacity (MTPA)	Awarded value (Rs. Cr.)	Anticipated date of Commissioning
1	Bhubaneswari OCP Phase-I CHP SILO	10	334.81	31.12.2021
2	Bhubaneswari OCP Phase-II CHP SILO	15	247.69	31.03.2023
3	Lingaraj OCP CHP SILO	16	373	Commissioned on 31.03.2020
4	Kaniha OCP CHP SILO	10	268.05	31.05.2023
5	Ananta OCP ZCHP SILO	20	278.48	31.05.2023
6	Lakhanpur Belapehar Lilari OCP Phase-I CHP SILO	10	309	31.03.2023
7	Lajkura RLS siding	15	285.05	31.03.2023
8	Hingula OCP CHP SILO	10	168.95	31.03.2022
9	Sardega RLS siding	20	311.69	31.03.2023

In addition to above, the following Major Rail Infrastructure projects have been undertaken in the state of Odisha:

- i) The Jharsuguda-Barpali-Sardega Rail Line Phase-II works (i.e. Doubling of Jharsuguda-Barpali-Sardega Rail Line, Construction of Barpali Bulb Complex, Construction of Double Line Flyover at Jharsuguda Station along with augmentation of Jharsuguda Station Yard) at an estimated cost of Rs 3198.12 Cr. by SE Railways, Kolkata on deposit basis.
- ii) Angul –Balram- Jarpada-Tentuloi link at Talcher Coalfields of MCL (68.00 KM approx) at a cost of Rs 1700 Cr. by Mahanadi Coal Railway Limited (MCRL).

(b) & (c): Under the Central Sector Scheme “Development of Transport Infrastructure in Coalfields”, the Government has disbursed funds to MCL in the State of Odisha, as under-

1. Basundhara East OCP- Gandhi Chawk Road – Rs. 17.92 Cr.
2. Belpahar OCP to Lajkura Siding Road – Rs. 2.24 Cr.
3. Development of Railway Infrastructure of Jharsuguda alignment from Gopalpur- Moharpur Block – Rs. 214.00 Cr.

Total Amount disbursed was Rs. 234.16 Cr.

In addition to above, MCL has also taken following works in the State of Odisha for developing the road for Coal Industries on deposit basis:

1. Construction of 4 lane dedicated coal corridor from Bankibahal to Bhedabahal (Basundhara Area) amounting to Rs. 398.96 Crore.
2. Construction and widening of 2 lane and 4 lane road from Bankibahal to Kanika railway siding (Basundhara Area) amounting to - Rs. 283.69 Crore.
3. Construction of 4 lane carriageway with service road of Belpahar Bye pass at Lakhanpur Area amounting to Rs. 65.26 Crore.
