

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3423
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2022**

Coal Production

3423. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the current coal production in the country is sufficient to meet its demand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the coal being mined and consumed on daily basis during the last five years and current year;
- (c) whether the shortage of coal has ever witnessed in the country during the last five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and utilised so far in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The details of domestic Coal production, dispatch, Import and Consumption during the last five year and current year is given below:-

Figure in Million Tonnes				
Years	Actual Coal Production	Actual Coal Dispatch	Coal Import	Total Actual Demand/ Consumption of Coal (Import + Dispatch) (Col. 3 + 4)
1	2	3	4	5
2016-17	657.87	645.98	191.01	836.99
2017-18	675.40	690.00	208.25	898.25
2018-19	728.72	732.79	235.35	968.14
2019-20	730.87	707.18	248.54	955.72
2020-21	716.08	690.88	215.25	906.13
2021-22	681.516 @	741.157 @	173.324 &	914.48
@ Upto February, 2022				
& Upto January, 2022				
2020-21 and 2021-22 figures are provisional				

(c) & (d): There is no shortage of coal in the country. Due to increased demand of power, less power generation by imported coal based power plants and some interruption in supply of coal due to heavy rains, the coal stock at the power plants depleted to 7.2 Million Tonnes (MT) as on 8th October, 2021. Subsequently with increased coal supplies, the coal stock has started increasing and has now reached 24.85 MT as on 15.03.2022 with respect to the plants based on domestic coal.

The fund (Capex) allocated and utilised in CIL and SCCL for the last five years is as below:

(Figs. in Rs. Cr)

Company	Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
CIL	BE	7765.00	8500.00	9500.00	10000.00	13000.00
	Actual	7700.06	9334.55	7311.46	6269.65	13283.83
SCCL	BE	2290.00	1600.00	2000.00	1850.00	2300.00
	Actual	1978.88	1477.39	1229.69	2257.60	1310.08
