

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4425
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022**

Coal Supply to Fertilizer Companies

4425. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coal is being needed and used in a fertiliser production;
- (b) if so, whether this coal raw material was supplied by the private coal companies in the past;
- (c) whether the prices of coal raw material is being increased often due to Foreign Direct Investment and privatisation of coal minings; and
- (d) the action taken to contain the prices of coal supplied to fertiliser companies?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES

(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

(a) & (b): Urea manufacturing units use natural gas as feedstock and fuel. However, some urea manufacturing units are also consuming coal partly along with natural gas. Domestic coal is being supplied by Public Sector Units of Coal India Limited (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL).

(c) & (d): Notified prices of Non-Coking coal for regulated sector, which includes fertilizers also, have not been increased by Coal India Limited since 09.01.2018 except for an increase of Rs. 10 per tonne on 01.12.2020.
