GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2939 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022

Shortage of Coal

2939. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that though the power companies were supplied more quantity of coal in comparison to last year, the power generation in Rajasthan has been affected because of the shortage of coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any responsibility has been fixed in this regard; and
- (d) the details of the action taken against the persons found guilty in regard thereto?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Coal India Limited, the largest supplier of coal in the country, has dispatched 152.49 MT of coal to Power Sector in the first quarter of the current fiscal surpassing all the previous highs of the same period and achieving a growth of 19% over last year same period. Similarly, Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) has dispatched 14.43 MT of coal to Power Sector in the first quarter of the current fiscal achieving a growth of 4.1% over last year same period. As per Central Electricity Authority (CEA), coal stock at the power plants has improved from the level of 25.6 MT as on 31.03.2022 to 29.5 MT on 26.07.2022.

As per Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the coal based (thermal) generation in Rajasthan during 2022-23 (April –June, 2022) was 12384.86 Million Unit (MU) against 8193.69 MU during the same period last year, thus registering a growth of 51%.

(c) & (d): Does not arise.
