

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3125  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025**

**Coal Demand for Power Sector**

**3125. Shri Aditya Yadav:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has achieved its goal of fulfilling 874 million tonnes coal demand for the power sector during the financial year 2024-25;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER  
MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES  
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a):** During the financial year 2024-25 (till February, 2025), 764.56 Million Tonnes (Provisional) of coal has been dispatched to power sector, while the overall coal consumed in domestic coal-based power plants during the same corresponding period is 757.70 Million Tonnes (Provisional). As per Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the coal stock at domestic coal-based power plants stands at 53.61 Million Tonnes as on 11.03.2025, which is sufficient for about 20 days at 85% plant load factor (PLF).

**(b) & (c):** Supply of coal to the power plants is a continuous process. To address the issues of coal supplies to Power Sector, an Inter-Ministerial Sub Group comprising of representatives from Ministry of Power, Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Railways, Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Coal India Limited (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) meet regularly to take various operational decisions to enhance supply of coal to Thermal Power Plants.

Besides, an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) has also been constituted comprising of Chairman, Railway Board; Secretary, Ministry of Coal; Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Secretary, Ministry of Power; to monitor augmentation of coal supply and power generation capacity. Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and Chairperson, CEA are co-opted as Special Invitees as and when required by the IMC.

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