

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *369
ANSWERED ON 18.03.2026**

STOCKPILES HELD BY COAL INDIA LIMITED

***369 SHRI RAMASAHAYAM RAGHURAM REDDY:
SHRI BALWANT BASWANT WANKHADE:**

Will the Minister of **COAL** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total volume of domestic coal production and country-wise imports, disaggregated by grade during the last ten years, year-wise along with data on pithead stockpiles held by Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries till date;
- (b) the average cost incurred by CIL and other public sector coal companies on transporting coal to thermal power plants during this period along with the estimated losses or under utilisation due to unsold pithead coal;
- (c) the details of power plants that rely on imported coal in the country along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the impact of logistical bottlenecks including inadequate railway rakes and high freight charges on the coal supply chain and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any independent review has been conducted to assess the financial viability and operational efficiency of Coal India Limited amid growing competition from private miners and increasing structural challenges and if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (e): A STATEMENT IS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *369 for answer on 18.03.2026 asked by Shri Ramasahayam Raghuram Reddy and Shri Balwant Baswant Wankhade regarding Stockpiles held by Coal India Limited.

(a): The year-wise, grade-wise details of the quantity of Coking coal and Non-Coking coal produced in the country during the last ten years is at **Annexure-A** and **Annexure-B** respectively.

The year-wise, country-wise coal imports in the country during the last ten years is at **Annexure-C**.

The details of the closing coal stock as on 12.03.2026 (provisional) at subsidiaries of Coal India Limited (CIL) is at **Annexure-D**.

(b): CIL supplies coal on FOR (Free on Rail/Road) basis, wherein CIL's responsibility is limited up to the stage of loading and weighment of coal at the designated rail and road weighbridges located within the mine/siding premises. Thereafter, the ownership, and transportation responsibility shifts to the consumer and the cost of transportation upto power plants.

(c): 17 number of power plants having total installed capacity of 18,713 MW designed on imported coal, rely on the imported coal. Further, some of the power plants designed on domestic coal also import coal in view of its cost-economics.

(d): The Ministry of Coal launched the Coal Logistics Plan in February, 2024 in coordination with concerned Ministries and stakeholders to assess and address issues in the coal logistics chain, including constraints related to availability of railway rakes and transportation. The plan covers the entire coal supply chain from mines to end-use plants and identifies measures to improve coal evacuation efficiency.

Under the plan, 33 critical railway infrastructure projects have been identified to address gaps in rail connectivity and strength coal evacuation from major coalfields by FY 2030. These projects aim to augment rail capacity, improve last-mile connectivity, and facilitate faster movement of coal from mines to consumption centers. Accordingly, measures such as expansion of rail infrastructure, taken up by Ministry of Railways for future coal evacuation.

(e): Reflecting sustained operational growth, CIL's dispatches have increased year-on-year over the past five years, reaching 781.1 MT in 2024-25, up from 596.2 MT in 2020-21 and the profit after tax (PAT) has also grown during this period. With the adoption of transparent e-auctions and various other initiatives such as implementation of ERP, use of Artificial Intelligence and digital process etc., CIL is committed to innovate and compete by enhancing operational efficiency and global competitiveness.

Annexure-A

[Figures in Million Tonnes (MT)]

Year	Grade of Coking Coal									Total Coking
	SG -I	SG -II	SC - I	W -II	W-II	W-III	W-IV	W-V	W-VI	
2015-16	0.037	1.051	0.135	0.415	2.493	12.968	43.788	-	-	60.887
2016-17	0.023	1.004	0.110	0.315	3.420	10.796	45.993	-	-	61.661
2017-18	0.155	0.051	0.182	0.176	4.552	3.991	31.041	-	-	40.148
2018-19	0.035	0.000	0.247	0.058	4.339	6.577	29.874	-	-	41.132
2019-20	0.018	0.132	0.250	0.136	2.303	7.361	33.094	9.635	0.007	52.936
2020-21	0.001	0.008	0.219	0.202	2.365	1.820	26.943	12.798	0.431	44.787
2021-22	0.225	0.000	0.000	0.234	2.501	1.539	25.740	20.171	1.292	51.702
2022-23	0.000	0.062	0.247	0.171	3.782	2.638	31.212	22.482	0.165	60.759
2023-24	0.000	0.098	0.216	1.227	3.437	4.600	35.552	21.213	0.478	66.821
2024-25	0.000	0.153	0.223	1.600	5.082	5.181	34.312	19.808	0.111	66.470

Nomenclature
SG - I means Steel Grade - I
SG -II means Steel Grade -II
SC - I means semi coking Grade - I
W-I means Washery Grade -I
W-II means Washery Grade -II
W-III means Washery Grade -III
W-IV means Washery Grade -IV
W-V means Washery Grade – V
W- VI means Washery Grade -VI

Annexure-B

[Figures in Million Tonnes (MT)]

Year	Grade of Non-Coking Coal																	Ungraded	Total Non-Coking
	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	G7	G8	G9	G10	G11	G12	G13	G14	G15	G16	G17		
2015-16	3.831	0.341	5.189	17.665	16.302	13.114	39.038	33.150	44.579	82.855	147.460	90.578	77.619	1.439	4.073	0.418	0.666	0.026	578.343
2016-17	2.418	0.309	5.279	17.319	13.600	14.140	35.574	29.574	38.924	98.175	143.233	91.786	90.937	6.419	3.263	4.505	0.459	0.293	596.207
2017-18	1.710	0.264	3.513	14.535	14.730	10.868	36.817	40.980	27.547	91.478	179.975	53.418	101.743	44.637	7.894	3.544	1.467	0.132	635.252
2018-19	0.087	0.480	3.313	15.545	12.453	7.900	41.348	54.420	35.595	84.227	199.705	66.297	111.210	41.037	6.885	3.847	3.109	0.128	687.586
2019-20	0.021	0.288	3.231	14.472	14.633	4.605	40.891	45.546	37.869	78.135	193.872	71.628	86.864	58.795	17.598	4.033	5.282	0.175	677.938
2020-21	0.003	0.027	2.681	14.221	9.707	4.252	37.446	47.702	36.723	69.883	194.693	73.346	80.935	66.297	26.201	6.790	0.236	0.153	671.296
2021-22	0.000	0.009	2.012	13.049	8.657	5.492	40.742	46.402	43.597	62.426	223.091	77.626	100.358	81.184	14.047	7.442	0.375	-	726.509
2022-23	0.015	0.083	1.702	16.101	9.901	6.554	46.406	53.661	53.129	73.232	247.641	103.559	100.120	92.593	17.934	4.277	5.434	0.090	832.432
2023-24	0.053	0.094	2.593	18.008	9.128	7.448	55.514	57.809	78.408	69.527	271.956	121.226	115.271	93.149	24.587	4.323	1.911	-	931.005
2024-25	0.077	0.257	1.951	19.600	8.809	9.610	53.766	71.253	63.615	87.665	260.146	134.116	115.552	128.420	15.999	1.406	8.499	0.310	981.053

[Figures in Million Tonnes (MT)]

Country wise import of coal to India																				
Country	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal	Coking Coal	Non-Coking Coal
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.2	-	-	-	*0.0207
Australia	38.994	9.899	36.503	10.151	35.761	10.361	36.931	11.236	35.916	10.802	36.945	18.008	40.485	26.313	30.100	17.398	29.992	14.465	24.584	8.451
Austria	-	-	-	-	0.016	-	0.082	-	-	-	0.077	0.178	0.032	-	0.025	-	-	-	-	-
Baharain Is	-	0.017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.49	-	0.001	-	0.002	-	0.012	-	0.002	-	0.005
Bangladesh PR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.029	-	0.007	-	0.331	-	0.003	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bhutan	-	0.005	-	-	-	-	*0.1	0.008	-	0.003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botswana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.13	-	-	-	-
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.159	-	0.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.00106
Canada	1.355	0.197	2.300	0.077	3.301	0.261	4.294	0.164	4.647	0.038	2.850	0.113	2.115	0.032	2.896	-	3.170	*0.000185	1.747	-
Chile	-	0.773	-	0.737	-	0.273	-	0.254	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
China P Rp	-	0.480	-	0.023	0.172	0.059	-	0.051	0.182	0.031	-	0.025	0.920	1.696	-	0.131	-	0.091	-	0.271
Colombia	-	-	-	2.001	-	0.331	0.012	0.497	0.010	1.902	-	2.350	-	0.051	0.013	0.084	0.012	0.216	0.082	2.317
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.181
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.28	-	0.002	-	0.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finland	-	-	-	-	-	0.023	-	0.190	-	0.077	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	-	-	-	*0.039	-	-	-	*0.03	0.030	*0.03	0.102	0.003	0.082	-	-	0.076	-	0.038	-	0.001
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.181	-	0.058	-	0.001	-	0.018	-	0.032	-	0.234	-	0.785

Iceland	-	0.039	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.080	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	0.149	97.364	-	91.012	1.086	94.728	1.167	111.714	1.423	115.240	1.398	91.137	1.104	71.427	2.234	107.594	2.101	113.610	2.069	102.583
Iran	-	-	0.001	0.026	-	-	*0.02	*0.1	-	0.024	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iraq	-	0.012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japan	-	-	-	*0.008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.05	-	-	-	0.163	-	0.489	-	-	-	0.077	-	0.165
Korea RP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.077	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Latvia	-	0.002	-	-	-	0.164	-	0.401	-	0.129	-	0.030	-	-	0.072	0.206	-	-	-	-
Macao	-	-	-	0.004	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	0.035	-	-	-	0.108	-	*0.02	-	-	0.037	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.076	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.107	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.017	-
Moldova	-	0.070	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mozambique	1.890	0.889	0.857	2.850	2.382	3.532	2.239	4.853	1.778	3.699	1.669	1.901	1.771	4.801	2.081	7.092	2.240	7.490	3.429	4.934
Netherland	-	-	-	*0.102	-	-	-	0.010	0.413	0.382	-	0.061	-	0.072	-	*0.02	0.085	0.079	-	0.072
Netherland ntil	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.030	0.048	-	-
New Zealand	0.620	0.061	0.475	-	0.602	-	0.447	0.052	-	-	0.225	0.002	0.099	-	0.294	0.024	0.221	*0.0000 01	0.264	-
Nigeria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oman	-	0.110	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.001	-	0.001
Peru	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.052	-	0.027	-	-
Philippines	-	-	-	0.190	-	0.094	-	0.075	-	0.035	-	0.050	-	-	-	0.074	-	0.076	-	-
Poland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.011	-	-	-

Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.029	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russia	0.004	3.818	0.287	3.913	0.389	3.909	0.545	4.376	1.104	7.123	1.328	5.421	1.506	6.742	4.481	16.861	5.497	17.624	8.209	15.443
Saudi Arab	-	0.008	-	0.048	-	-	-	0.035	-	*0.12	-	0.074	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.019
Singapore	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.507	4.149	2.006	3.722	1.860	2.626	4.302	1.841	5.399	4.675	5.389	4.702	5.698	5.271
South Africa	0.264	36.637	0.044	34.241	0.004	38.489	-	31.153	-	42.481	-	31.093	-	25.765	-	17.445	-	28.718	-	31.133
Spain	0.109	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.001	0.288	-	-	0.190	-	-	-	-	-	0.233	-	*0.000005
Switzerland	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.042	1.783	-	1.041	0.460	1.508	0.572	1.446	0.420	1.207	0.824	2.209	0.849	1.245
Taiwan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.167	-	-	-	-	-	0.312	-	0.030	-	-
Tanzania Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.091	-	0.031	-	0.222	-	0.502
Thailand	-	-	-	-	-	0.005	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Turkey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.006	-	0.007	-	0.003
U Arab Emts	0.012	-	-	*0.002	-	-	0.438	1.027	0.219	0.656	0.388	0.437	0.231	0.132	0.660	1.848	0.626	1.609	2.032	1.181
U K	0.002	0.006	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.284	0.001	0.011	0.014	0.006	0.103	0.025	0.054	0.089	0.120	*0.1503
U S A	1.161	4.654	1.148	3.949	3.285	8.746	4.134	10.842	3.775	8.384	3.895	8.309	3.850	10.524	7.274	6.418	8.482	13.819	8.477	11.664
Ukraine	-	0.054	-	0.054	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.079	-	-	-
Uzbekistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*0.000007	-	-
Venezuela	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnam Soc Rep	-	0.034	-	0.054	-	0.210	-	0.011	-	0.070	-	0.029	-	0.051	-	0.011	-	*0.248	-	*0.294
Virgin Is US	-	-	0.020	-	-	-	-	-	0.043	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unspecified	-	4.238	0.006	-	0.004	0.060	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

***Figures in Thousand Tonnes**

Annexure-D**[Figures in Million Tonnes (MT)]**

Company	Closing coal stock as on 12.03.2026 (provisional)
Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL)	11.00
Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL)	8.12
Central Coalfields Limited (CCL)	16.38
Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL)	9.05
Western Coalfields Limited (WCL)	10.56
South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL)	23.41
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL)	43.90
North Eastern Coalfields (NEC)	0.04
Total Coal India Limited (CIL)	122.46