

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1937
ANSWERED ON 11.02.2026
COAL SUPPLY TO TAMIL NADU

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Tamil Nadu received about 20 per cent lower coal supply in fourth quarter of the year 2025 compared to certain northern States despite its power requirements;
- (b) if so, the details of coal allocation and supply during 2025–26, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that reduced domestic supply has increased coal imports and electricity costs in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether funds amounting to about 1,500 crore under coal gasification and clean coal schemes proposed for Tamil Nadu projects remain unreleased; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure equitable coal distribution and timely clean-energy funding to southern States including, Tamil Nadu?

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

(a) & (b): The receipt of domestic coal to the domestic coal based (DCB) power plants in the state of Tamil Nadu during fourth quarter (October-December, 2025) was about 6.42 MT (7184 MW), whereas that for the states of Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh was 3.8 MT (5330 MW), 4.5 MT (5680 MW), 6.9 MT (8900 MW) and 26 MT (30015 MW) respectively. It is thus seen that the receipt of domestic coal to the DCB plants located in the state of Tamil Nadu has been higher in terms of receipt per unit installed capacity.

The State wise & quarter wise details of receipt of domestic coal at Domestic coal based (DCB) during 2025-26 (April-Dec) is attached as Annexure-I.

(c): Details of receipt of coal (domestic & imported) in DCBs located in State of Tamil Nadu from FY 2022-23 to FY 2025-26 (till Dec'25) is as below:

Financial Year	Receipt of Coal (Million Tonnes)			% Share of Imported Coal
	Domestic	Imported	Total	
2022-2023	30.8	2.2	33.0	6.7%
2023-2024	30.4	1.9	32.3	5.9%
2024-2025	29.6	1.5	31.1	4.8%
2025-2026 (Apr-Dec)	19.6	0.6	20.2	3.0%

It may be seen that share of imported coal in the total coal receipt has been reducing.

(d) & (e): No funds are earmarked to Tamil Nadu or any other State Government under coal gasification and clean coal schemes. Coal / lignite gasification projects submitted by project proponents are considered for support under Financial Incentive Scheme, launched on 24.01.2024. At present, no proposal from the Government of Tamil Nadu or its agencies has been received. Further, coal is distributed in the country under various policies and guidelines of the Ministry of Coal.

Annexure-I

Name of State	Capacity (MW) (as on 31.12.2025)	Receipt of Domestic Coal (Fig. in '000 Tonnes)		
		Quarter 1 (Apr-Jun 2025-26)	Quarter 2 (Jul-Sept 2025-26)	Quarter 3 (Oct-Dec 2025-26)
Haryana	5330	4485	4390	3772
Punjab	5680	5418	4936	4513
Rajasthan	8900	8235	6801	6890
Uttar Pradesh	30015	29837	25169	25985
Chhattisgarh	24093	30339	27150	29645
Gujarat	4372	3971	3334	2174
Madhya Pradesh	21170	22571	21299	23483
Maharashtra	22266	22941	20220	23418
Andhra Pradesh	12290	12405	12166	11915
Karnataka	7420	6375	3496	6444
Tamil Nadu	7184	6306	6879	6425
Telangana	11043	9859	7804	8791
Bihar	10170	10137	8944	10950
Jharkhand	7030	5645	5616	7771
Odisha	9950	13310	11418	13470
West Bengal	13235	15040	13922	15066
Assam	750	671	668	646
Total	200897	207545	184211	201358
