

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3189
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2015

Coal Washeries

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Will the **MINISTER OF COAL** be pleased to state:

- the number of coal washeries currently in operation and the amount of coal above G 10 washed during the last year State-wise;
- whether instances of coal being utilized before washing has been reported and if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken thereon;
- whether the Government has received proposals from various states for the setting up of certain private coal washeries in the country;
- if so, the state-wise details and status thereof including the reasons for non-approval of proposals if any; and
- the measures being taken to handle the environment concerns arising due to poor quality coal and to produce higher grade of coal?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL,
POWER AND NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

- (a): There are 15 washeries currently in operation in Coal India Limited (CIL) subsidiaries. The details are as given below:

Sl.no.	Name of coal washery	Subsidiary company	Capacity (Mtpa)	Location
1.	Dugda-ii	BCCL	2.00	Jharkhand
2.	Bhojudih	BCCL	1.70	W. Bengal
3.	Sudamdih	BCCL	1.60	Jharkhand
4.	Moonidih	BCCL	1.60	Jharkhand
5.	Mahuda	BCCL	0.63	Jharkhand
6.	Madhuband	BCCL	2.50	Jharkhand
7.	Kathara	CCL	3.00	Jharkhand
8.	Swang	CCL	0.75	Jharkhand
9.	Rajrappa	CCL	3.00	Jharkhand
10.	Kedla	CCL	2.60	Jharkhand
11.	Nandan	WCL	1.20	M.P
12.	Gidi	CCL	2.50	Jharkhand
13.	Piparwar	CCL	6.50	Jharkhand
14.	Kargali	CCL	2.72	Jharkhand
15.	Bina	NCL	4.50	U.P

Raw coal inferior to G10 grade fed to washery in CIL was 1.756 MT for the year 2014-15.

(b):Total dispatch of coal by CIL during 2014-15 was 488.862 MT. Out of this, 16.340 MT (coking 5.334MT + non coking 11.006MT) of coal was fed to washery for washing.

To improve the supply of washed coal, CIL has planned to install 15 new washeries with the total capacity of 112.60 Mtpa.

(c)&(d):No approval is required from the Ministry for setting up coal washery. However, the company setting up the washery is required to obtain necessary clearances from Ministry of Environment & Forest (MOEF)/Pollution Control Board.

(e):CIL has taken following steps to handle the environment concerns arising due to poor quality coal and to produce higher grade of coal:-

- i. Deployment of more number of Surface Miners to facilitate selective mining.
- ii. Enhance coal production from underground mine; planned 52.34 MT by 2019-20.
- iii. Fifteen washeries have been planned for installation with a capacity of 112.60 Million tons
- iv. Selective mining of bands of more than one meter thickness.
