GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3195 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2015

Production of Coal

3195. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM: SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the target set and achieved by the Government for production of coal in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, companywise;
- (b) whether the Government has failed in achieving the target set for production of coal, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether any increase in production of coal has been registered after the entry of private sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the proportionate share of Coal India Limited and the private sector in production?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The company-wise target and actual production of coal during the last three years and current year with growth of actual production are given below:

	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16	
Company	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
								(Upto Oct.15)*
ECL	34.0	33.9	34.50	36.05	38.00	40.0	42.1	17.93
BCCL	31.0	31.2	32.50	32.61	34.00	34.5	35.9	19.49
CCL	55.0	48.1	53.50	50.02	55.00	55.6	60.6	29.61
NCL	69.0	70.0	72.20	68.64	77.00	72.5	78.1	42.15
WCL	45.0	42.3	44.00	39.73	44.00	41.1	45.1	21.94
SECL	117.0	118.2	124.30	124.26	131.00	128.3	137.0	71.24
MCL	112.0	107.9	120.00	110.44	127.00	121.4	150.0	71.45
NEC	1.1	0.6	1.00	0.66	1.00	0.8	1.2	0.12
CIL	464.1	452.2	482.00	462.41	507.00	494.23	550.0	273.91
Growth in %		3.8		2.3		6.9		9.2*
SCCL	53.1	53.2	54.30	50.47	55.00	52.54	56.0	32.22
Growth in %		1.9		-5.1		4.1		25.9*
Captive	39.2	37.0	50.00	39.48	50.00	52.77	75.5	15.16
Others	18.0	14.0	18.25	13.41	18.25	12.90	18.5	6.81
Total	574.4	556.40	604.55	565.77	630.25	612.44	700.0	328.10
Growth in %		3.0		1.7		8.2		4.4*
* Growth i.r.o. 2015-16 is over corresponding period of previous year.								

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(b): The domestic production of coal in the past was constrained mainly due to problems in expanding the capacity arising from difficulties in land acquisition, R&R, geo-mining conditions, difficulties in obtaining environment clearance, restrictions arising out of imposition of Central Environmental Pollution Index guidelines and non-availability of forest clearances in time. Law and order condition in some areas and lack of adequate infrastructure for evacuation of coal including delay in construction of rail Infrastructure have also been the constraining factor in some major coalfields.

For the year 2013-14, against a target of 482 Mte, only 462 Mte, was produced by CIL resulting in a shortfall of 20 Mte. With aggressive focus on increasing coal production since June 2014, against the original targetted increase of 25 Mte from 482 Mte to 507 Mte.in 2014-15, production of CIL actually increased by 32 Mte i.e. 128% more than target thereby covering the gap of 7 Mte in production of the previous year 2013-14.

The increase of 32 Mte in actual production achieved by CIL in 2014-15 is more than the cumulative increase in production for the previous 4 years of 31 Mte.

The focus of the Government is on increasing coal production to the extent possible by facilitating Environment & Forest clearances expeditiously, pursuing with State Government for assistance in land acquisition and coordinated efforts with Railways for movement of coal. A roadmap has been prepared by CIL to substantially enhance production of coal to 1 billion tonnes by 2019-20. This includes capacity addition from new projects, use of mass production technologies and identification of existing ongoing projects with growth potential.

(c)&(d): The share of Coal India Limited (CIL) was 80.7% and that of private sector 10.7% in total production of coal in 2014-15. The production from the private sector has increased from 9.16 Mte in 1997-98 to 65.67 Mte in 2014-15.
