

Government of India
Ministry of Coal
Lok Sabha
Unstarred Question No. 2098
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Coal Blocks in NE

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any data of the coal blocks in North-Eastern region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the efforts being made by the Government to exploit coal reserves in the NE to meet the shortage of supply of coal in power and other sectors/industries?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR COAL, POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): State wise reserves of coal in Million Tonnes in the North Eastern Region of India is as below:

Sl. No	State	Coalfields (CF)	Proved	Indicated	Inferred (Exploration)	Inferred (Mapping)	Total
1	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	MIAO BUM CF	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	6.00
		NAMCHIK- NAMPHUK CF	31.23	40.11	12.89	0.00	84.23
	ARUNACHAL PRADESH Total		31.23	40.11	12.89	6.00	90.23
2	ASSAM	DILLI-JEYPORE CF	32.00	22.02	0.00	0.00	54.02
		MAKUM CF	432.09	20.70	0.00	0.00	452.79
		MIKIR HILLS CF	0.69	0.00	0.50	2.52	3.71
		SINGRIMARI CF	0.00	4.13	0.00		4.13
ASSAM Total		464.78	46.85	0.50	2.52	514.65	
3	MEGHALAYA	JAYANTI HILLS CF(MINOR CF)	0.00	0.00	1.10	1.24	2.34
		BALPHAKRAM-PENDENGURU CF	0.00	0.00	0.00	107.03	107.03
		BAPUNG CF	11.01	0.00	22.65	0.00	33.66
		EAST DARANGIRI CF	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.19	34.19
		KHASI HILLS CF(MINOR CF)	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.10	10.10
		LANGRIN CF	10.46	16.51	0.00	106.19	133.16
		MAWLONG-SHELLA	2.17	0.00	3.83	0.00	6.00
		SIJU CF	0.00	0.00	0.00	125.00	125.00
WEST DARANGIRI CF	65.40	0.00	0.00	59.60	125.00		
MEGHALAYA Total		89.04	16.51	27.58	443.35	576.48	
4	NAGALAND	BORJAN CF	5.50	0.00	0.00	4.50	10.00
		DGM REPORT	0.00	0.00	0.00	293.47	293.47
		JHANZI-DISAI CF	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	2.08
		TIRU VALLEY CF	0.00	0.00	6.60	0.00	6.60
		TUEN SANG CF	1.26	0.00	2.00	0.00	3.26
NAGALAND Total		8.76	0.00	8.60	298.05	315.41	
5	SIKKIM	RANGIT VALLEY CF	0.00	58.25	42.98		101.23
		SIKKIM Total		0.00	58.25	42.98	
Grand Total			593.81	161.72	92.55	749.92	1598.00

Production of coal in Million Tonne (MT) by North Eastern Coalfields (NEC), Coal India Limited during the last three years is given below:-

Company	State	2012-13 (MT)	2013-14 (MT)	2014-15 (MT)
NEC	Assam	0.60	0.66	0.78

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Following future projects have been identified in North Eastern Coalfields to meet the shortage of supply of coal.

S. No.	Name of the Project	Estimated Capacity (MT)
1	Tipong OC	1.00
2	Jagan Block OC	0.50
3	PQ Block OC	0.15
4	Tikak integrated OC	0.55

Coal India Limited (CIL) has envisaged doubling of its coal production by 2019-20 for which following steps have been taken:

- i. Mines / projects to produce about 908.10 Million Tonnes have already been identified and further plans to augment production up to 1000 Million Tonnes are being developed.
- ii. An assessment of the need for up-gradation of technology presently under practice in CIL mines and scope for further modernization has been carried out.
- iii. In order to maintain the planned growth in production and evacuation in future, CIL has undertaken three major Railway infrastructure projects to be executed by Indian Railways in growing coalfields of South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, & Central Coalfields Limited.
- iv. Exploration capacity is being increased through induction of modern equipment and outsourcing.
- v. High capacity mines are being planned with deployment of high capacity/ high productivity equipment in Open Cast & Underground mines.
- vi. Efforts are being made by all subsidiaries of CIL for obtaining Environmental Clearance/Forest Clearances within the scheduled time frame so that projects could start production.
