

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA

QUESTION NO 21.12.2009

ANSWERED ON

LIGNITE COAL RESERVES IN RAJASTHAN .

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SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of the number and locations of lignite coal reserves identified in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether it has been agreed to utilize this lignite coal for power generation;
- (c) whether the approval of Neyveli Lignite Corporation is necessary to utilize the lignite coal of Rajasthan and whether it is hampering the development of the State; and
- (d) whether Government would consider to establish a separate corporation for the State on public-private participation basis?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINISTER OF STATE (IC) IN THE
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) : Lignite reserves in Rajasthan have been identified mainly in three districts viz Barmer, Bikaner & Nagaur. The details of which are given in the Annexure.

(b) : Yes, Sir, lignite can be used for power generation also.

(c) : Lignite blocks are now identified in consultation with Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) and therefore, separate 'no objection certificate' from NLC is not called for. Since a large number of potential lignite blocks have already been allotted in Rajasthan, including 17 blocks to different State Govt. /private agencies with geological reserves of 12.22 million tonnes, the question of hampering the development of lignite resources in Rajasthan does not arise.

(d) : There is no proposal to establish a separate corporation for the State of Rajasthan at present.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part(a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.3397

Details of District wise Lignite blocks in Rajasthan

Rajasthan	Block
Bikaner	Palana, Barsingsar, Gurha East, Gurha West, Bholasar, Bithnok Main, Bithnok East Ext., Gadiyala, Girirajsar, Raneri, Mandal Charnan, Hadla, Badhnu, Hira Ki Dhani, Chak-Vijaisinghpura, Kuchore (Napasar), Riri, Lalamdesar Bada, East of Riri, Bania, Kuchaur-Athuni, Sarupdesar -Palana west, Palana East, Gigasar-Kesardesar, Ambasar- Gigasar, Girirajsar Extn., Bapeau, Bigga-Abhaysingpura
Barmer	Kapurdi, Jalipa, Bothia (Jalipa N Ext.), Giral, Jogeshwartala, Sonari, Sachha-Sauda, Bharka, Bothia-Bharka-Dunga Sindhari East, Sindhari West, Kurla, Chokla North, Mahabar-Shivkar, Mithra, Hodu, Nimbalkot, Nimbalkot North, Nagurda, Nagurda(East), Munabao, Kawas Gravity Block, South of Nimbla Jaisalmer & Khuri
Barmer Nagaur	Kasnau-Igiar, Matasukh, Mokala, Nimbri-Chandawatan, Kaprion-Ka,-Dhani, Merta Road & Meeranagar, Indawar, Kuchera, Lunsara Jalore Sewara