

2. Madhya Pradesh
3. West Bengal
4. Uttar Pradesh
5. Maharashtra
6. Orissa
7. Andhra Pradesh
8. North Eastern Region.

(b) Gross sale of coal for the last three years in Coal India Ltd. is as follows:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Rs. in crores (Data Provisional)</i>
1988-89	5600.09
1989-90	6278.32
1990-91	6248.43

The amount earned by sale of coal by Singareni Collieries Company Lts. is as follows:

<i>Rs. in crores (Data Provisional)</i>	
1988-89	497.27
1989-90	536.29
1990-91	520.09

(c) No workable coal deposit is known to exist in the State of Kerala. As such there is no coal production in Kerala.

Allotment of old Wagons for Kerala

5451. SHRI P. C. THOMAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints have been received regarding allotment of old, broken wagons to Kerala;

(b) if so, the steps taken to replace these wagons with proper ones;

(c) whether loss sustained due to leakage in wagons will be compensated; and

(d) if so, the steps taken so far in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Complaints have been received regarding supply of non-watertight covered wagons for loading of cement, etc. during monsoon season. Action has been taken to make the covered wagons watertight for loading of commodities likely to get damaged by wet.

(c) and (d). Compensation against damage and losses due to leakage in wagon is paid on the merits of each case and within the frame work of extant rules.

Setting up of Gas based Power Plant in Assam

5452. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the setting up of 360 MW gas based Power Station at Amguri in Sibsagar district of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Assam State Electricity Board is charged more for the gas to be used in Amguri plant than the North Eastern Electric Power Corporation in Kathalguri plant; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The proposal

for installation of 360 MW Gas-based combined Cycle Power Plant at Amguri in Sibsagar district of Assam has been techno-economically cleared by the Central Electricity Authority at an estimated cost of Rs.408.25 crores. The project is awaiting investment decision of the Planning Commission.

(c) and (d). The prices of natural gas are fixed by the Government of India from time to time and do not vary from consumer to consumer. These are exclusive of royalty, sales-tax, other statutory duties and transportation charges which are charged on actual basis. The present prices of natural gas for the North-Eastern Region are Rs.1000/1000 CU.MTS with a discount of Rs.500/1000 CU MTS on a case to case basis.

Utilisation of Natural Gas in Assam

5453. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of PETROLUUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity and value of natural gas being produced from different oil and gas fields daily in Assam;

(b) the percentage, quantity and value of this gas being utilized in Assam for industry, power generation, fertilizer production, LPG production, separately; and

(c) the percentage, quantity and value of this gas being flared daily?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSITRY OF PETROLUUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISEROF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR) : (a) and (b). About 5.8 MMSCMD, valued at approximately Rs. 106 crores per annum, at the prices of Rs. 500 per thousand M³. It is utilised as follows :-