

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b). Restructuring of the Twenty-Point Programme is still under consideration. Details of the same would be available when the Programme is finalised.

Supply of prime coking coal to steel plants

3810. SHRI K.V. SHANKARA GOWDA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the plan for supply of prime coking coal to the steel plants have run into serious trouble following the delinking of some of the mines from the supply programme ;

(b) whether unless urgent measures are taken, this would throw out of gear the projections of the Jha Committee on the basis of which the Seventh Plan Programmes have been drawn up ; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in meeting the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) to (c). Coking coal supply during 1985-86 was originally planned on the basis of weighted ash percentage of 19.9%. Since SAIL desired reduction in ash percentage to ensure consistency in the quality of coal supply to Steel Plants, 1,65,000 tonnes per month of raw coal was delinked in 1984-85. Further, 70,000 tonnes per month was delinked from July, 1985. The impact of delinking has been as under :

(In million tonnes)

Year	Less supply to washeries	Less supply of washed coal to Steel Plants
	Raw Coking Coal	
1984-85	1.98	0.90
1985-86	2.16	1.215
Total	4.59	2.115

In order to augment supply of coking coal to Steel Plants, CIL has been taking up new projects for Coking Coal mines and also expediting the commissioning of new washeries. In the meantime the gap between requirement and availability of the required quantity of coking coal is being made up by the import of coking coal by SAIL.

Cash Flow on Public Sector Units

3811. SHRI K.V. SHANKARA GOWDA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to directly monitor the cash flow of the entire public sector ;

(b) if so, whether concerned Departments have been directed to evolve a

suitable mechanism to collect information about the cash flow of the public sector units ; and

(c) the other steps Government have taken to improve the public sector units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (PROF. K.K. TEWARY) : (a) and (b). As a part of Management Information System (MIS) many Departments are already monitoring the cash flow of the Public Sector Enterprises under their Administrative control.

(c) The steps taken by the Government to improve the performance of Public Sector Units include provision of captive power facilities, wherever considered necessary ; technology upgradation,