

Table-II (Coking Coal)

Subsidiary	Grade of Coal	Sale Price Per Tonne (Rs)		
		Steam Coal & Rubble	Slack Coal & Washery Middlings	Run of Mine Coal
BCCL	COKING COAL:			
	Steel Grade-I	1488	1478	1468
	Steel Grade-II	1246	1236	1226
	Washery Grade-I	1082	1072	1062
	Washery Grade-II	900	890	880
	Washery Grade-III	670	660	650
	Washery Grade-IV	625	615	605
CCL-SECL ECL	COKING COAL:			
	Washery Grade-I	1044	1034	1024
	Washery Grade-II	868	858	848
	Washery Grade-III	647	637	627
WCL	COKING COAL:			
	Washery Grade-I	1044	1034	1024
	Washery Grade-II	868	858	848
	Washery Grade-III	785	775	765
	Washery Grade-IV	648	638	628

[English]

Trade Relation with Indo-South Korea

3165. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to expand Indo-South Korea bilateral trade;

(b) if so, the areas in which Indo-South Korea's trade has been established; and

(c) the details of plan drawn up and bilateral trade expected to be expanded between both the countries in coming years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Bilateral trade between India and South Korea has been steadily expanding as is evident from the bilateral trade figures given below:-

Year	(Rs. In Lakhs)	
	Exports	Imports
1994-95	99547.48	192435.41
1995-96	147485.87	266006.13

The major items exported by India to South Korea

include cotton yarn, iron-ore, oil cakes; huskedrice, chemicals and pharmaceuticals, electrical machinery and equipments, machinery and mechanical appliances. The major items imported by India from South Korea include machinery and mechanical appliances, electronic items, engineering products including ships and boats, automotive components, plastic and articles thereof, fabrics and articles of iron and steel. Efforts to further expand the existing level of bilateral trade are continuing through various mechanisms like Joint Commission, Economic Cooperation Committee, Joint Trade Committee, Joint Business Committee Meetings besides steps like frequent exchange of delegations, participating in exhibitions and trade fairs.

It has mutually been agreed to set a target of US\$ 5 billion for two-way trade between the two countries by the year 2000.

Export of Cotton

3166. SHRI SANAT MEHTA:
SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the price mechanism in respect to cotton;

(b) whether price of cotton in the country is lower than international market; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken to protect the interest of cotton growers?