GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL AND MINES LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:4
ANSWERED ON:19.11.2001
SAFETY ARRANGEMENTS IN COAL MINES
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a): whether there is no mechanism to monitor the safety arrangements in small open coal mines;
- (b): if so, the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c): the funds allocated for safety arrangements in these coal mines during 2000-01;
- (d): the funds utilised so far in each State, company-wise; and
- (e): the details of programmes undertaken for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COAL & MINES (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in parts (a) to (e) of the LokSabha Starred Question No. 4for 19.11.2001 regarding Safety arrangements in Coal Mines.

- (a): Coal India Limited has a mechanism to monitor safety arrangements in all opencast mines including the small ones.
- (b): Does not arise in view of the reply given to part (a) as above.
- (c) & (d): Details for small opencast mines are not separately available readily. Details for all mines of Coal India Limitedare given in the Annexure.
- (e): Funds allocated for safety & rescue purposes of opencast mines are spent on safety components of transport arrangements, lighting, communication, survey equipment, occupational health & safety, fire control & fire fighting, dust suppression measures, personal protective equipment, safety awareness & training for safety, internal safety organisation, equipment for dealing with emergency, measures for countering danger of inundation etc.

Annexure referred to reply in parts (c) & (d) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 4 for answer on 19-11-2001

BUDGETARY ALLOCATION & EXPENDITURE IN SAFETY & RESCUE IN COAL INDIA LIMITED IN 2000-01

(In Rs. lakhs)

Company State Safety Rescue

Budget Expenditure Budget Expenditure Capital Revenue Capital Revenue Capital Revenue

| ECL W. | 751.96 | 4316.00 567.21 | 4310.00 | 22.54 | 246.30 | 12.23 421.70 |
|----------|---------------|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Bengal/ | | | | | | |
| Jharkhan | d | | | | | |
| BCCL W. | 943.00 | 12549.00 592.00 | 10700.0 | 0 1.36 | 264.55 | 1.12 268.50 |
| Bengal/ | | | | | | |
| Jharkhan | d | | | | | |
| CCL Jha | rkhand 141.00 | 793.00 141.00 | 684.00 | 4.70 | 181.31 | 5.30 185.50 |

WCL Maharshtra 400.00 4000.00 136.04 3879.00 300.00 400.00 3.76 261.79 M.P.

SECL M.P./ 1966.00 7171.00 1256.00 5435.00 160.00 48.00 73.00 50.00 Chhattis

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MCL Orrisa 300.00 1149.00 150.00 710.00 23.00 85.00 21.00 84.00

NEC Assam 149.00 250.50 81.40 220.00 10.00 10.00 0 0.76

CIL 4781.96 30560.50 2954.65 26265.54 521.60 1235.16 116.41 1272.25