GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINES AND MINERALS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:333 ANSWERED ON:25.02.2000 UPGRADATION OF MINES OF ECL. . MOINUL HASSAN AHAMED

Will the Minister of MINES AND MINERALS be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount spent by the Government so far for upgradation of mines of E.C.L.;
- (b) the amount invested for purchase and installation of foreign machinery, including the import of foreign technology thereof;
- (c) the additional production capacity created as a result of such investment;
- (d) the actual productivity shift in coal mining achieved so far due to installation of foreign machinery in ECL mines;
- (e) whether the Government have claimed damage from the supplier of foreign machineries; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINES & MINERALS (SMT. RITA VERMA)

- (a): An amount of Rs.2902.85 crores has been spent by the Government for up-gradation of mines of ECL.
- (b): An amount of Rs. 905.09 crores has been invested for purchase and installation of foreign machinery including the import of foreign technology.
- (c) The additional capacity of 17.12 million tonnes per year has been created as a result of investment in the mines of ECL.
- (d) The productivity capacity (OMS) achieved due to installation of foreign machinery in the mines of ECL during 1998-99:-

Rajmahal OC	10.2	ΤE
Sonepur Bazari OC	5.34	TE
Kottadih UG	0.95	TE
Jhanjra UG	1.59	TE
Chora 10 Pit	0.74	ΤE

Productivity was 1.61 TE when longwall face was operating.

- (e) Damage from supplier has been claimed for Kottadih UG.
- (f) A claim through arbitration for compensation has been lodged at the International Court of Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris in Dec.'99.