

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5584  
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CLOSURE OF MINES BY CCL  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Central Coalfields Limited has closed Angwali and Pichhri coal mines;
- (b) if so, since when these mines have been closed alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government propose to reopen these coal mines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

- (a): Angwali mine has been closed by Central Coalfields Limited but Pichri mine is being worked.
- (b): Angwali mine has been closed since 1980 as it is an isolated patch under High Flood Level and scientific and mechanised mining is not possible there due to adverse geo-mining condition.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d) & (e): Does not arise in view of above.