

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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TRANSPORTATION OF WASHED COAL
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether washed coal from Central Coalfields Limited is transported even for a short distance through Railways instead of road transport to various thermal power stations of Damodar Valley Corporation and specially to Bokaro Thermal Power Station;
- (b) if so, the total quantity of washed coal transported specially from Kargali Washery of CCL to Bokaro Thermal Power Station and various other thermal power stations during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the total expenditure incurred as rail freight on transportation of washed coal during each of the last three years;
- (d) whether transportation through road is cheaper as compared to the railways; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : Washed Coal was received from Central Coalfields for Chandrapura Thermal Power Station (CTPS) and Bokaro Thermal Power Station (BTPS).

For the year 2001-02, 2002-03 and till July, 2003 of the current financial year, Washed coal from Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) was received by Bokaro Thermal Power Station (BTPS) through Railway. No washed coal from CCL was transported to Chandrapura Thermal Power Station (CTPS) for the last three years.

(b) & (c) : No washed coal was received for Chandrapura Thermal Power Station and Bokaro Thermal Power Station during the year 2000-01. Quantity of washed coal received by Rail for BTPS during the year 2001-2002, 2002-03 and 2003-04 is 16,450.96 MT, 59,095.67 MT and 219,148.75 MT respectively and the total expenditure incurred on transportation was Rs.1,89,283.57, Rs.4,99,06,375.23 and Rs.1,23,38,074.62 respectively.

(d) & (e) : Transportation rate for transportation of coal to Bokaro Thermal Power Station for the year 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 through Rail was Rs.84.45 per MT, Rs.84.45 per MT and Rs.56.30 per MT respectively and that through road was Rs.57/-per MT, Rs.56.60 to Rs.58.03 per MT and Rs.58.19 per MT respectively.