

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1552
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E- AUCTION OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed the floor price for e-auction of coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to increase the coal availability to non-core sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

- (a)&(b): Government has fixed the floor price for E-auction of coal at 20% above the notified price of a particular grade of coal.
- (c): Government has increased the quantity earmarked for allocation to State Government undertakings by one million tonne of coal so as to reserve a total quantity of three million tonnes of coal for the year 2005-06. In addition to this, another two million tonnes of coal has been earmarked to M/s NCCF, an apex body under the administrative control of Ministry of Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution for the year 2005-06.