

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF DRINKING WATER IN RCCL MINES  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a). whether shortage of drinking water in the mines area of Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL) in Jharkhand has come to the notice of the Government;
- (b). if so, the details thereof alongwith the problem/hazards that have surfaced as a result thereof; and;
- (c). the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA)

a) & b) No. There is no shortage of supply of drinking water in command areas of BCCL in Jharkhand State. If any problem is faced during the peak summer season, due care is taken to solve the problem instantly.

c) BCCL is extending facilities of supplying drinking water to nearby localities/villages under Community Development Scheme as a Corporate Social Responsibility.

BCCL also supplies mine water to the State Government for seven projects of Drinking Water and Sanitation Division of the State.