

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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TOTAL COAL RESERVE
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the total reserves of coal in the country and its average consumption per year during the last three years and current year; and
(b) the steps being taken by Government to find alternate sources of energy so that consumption of coal is reduced?

Answer

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

(a): As per Geological Survey of India, the coal resources in the country as on 01.04.2008 stand at 264535 million tonnes.

The consumption per year i.e. production during the last three years and the current year is as follows:

SI.No.	Year	Production
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(Million Tonnes)

1	2005-06	407.039
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2	2006-07	430.832
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3	2007 -08	456.397
		(Provisional)

4	2008-09	292.80
		(Provisional)
		(Till Nov.`08)

(b): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.