## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL AND MINES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3996 ANSWERED ON:25.08.2004 RAISING OF COAL BY COAL MAFIA Khan Shri Sunil

## Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the coal mafias of Raniganj area raising coal from abundant collieries of E.C.L. is from New Agara, Bakulia, Ardhagram collieries;

(b) if so, the steps the Government has taken so far in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL & MINES (Dr. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a): As informed by Eastern Coalfields Limited, no case of illegal mining from abandoned collieries in New Agara, Bakulia and Ardhagram collieries of ECL has been reported.

(b) & (c) : Do not arise.