

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:913
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SURVEY CONDUCTED FOR COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey for coal mining during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the quantity of coal reserves found, location wise;
- (c) whether certain malpractices were noticed in the allotment of coal from these places due to which coal companies have suffered losses; and
- (d) the location-wise amount of the loss incurred by the Union Government in the mining of coal from such locations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Exploration for coal is a continuous process and Geological Survey of India (GSI) under Ministry of Mines is vested with the responsibility for conducting regional exploration of various minerals including coal. Besides, Ministry of Coal through a Plan Scheme of Promotional / regional exploration conducts exploration for coal to supplement the efforts of GSI. Further, coal companies conduct detailed exploration in their command areas for proving coal reserves for preparing projects and to take up coal production. On the basis of exploration carried out by different agencies GSI prepares resource data on 1st April every year. As per the data published by GSI as on 01.04.2009 the estimated coal resources stand at 267.21 billion tonnes and state wise position of estimated coal resources is furnished in the table below:-
(Resource in million tonnes)

Sl No	State	Proved (Total)	Indicated	Inferred#	Total
1	West Bengal	11652.84	11603.25	5070.70	28326.79
2	Bihar	0.00	0.00	160.00	160.00
3	Jharkhand	39479.33	30894.31	6338.32	76711.96
4	Madhya Pradesh	8041.18	10294.58	2645.25	20981.01
5	Chhatishgarh	10910.64	29191.79	4380.67	44483.10
6	Uttar Pradesh	866.05	195.75	0.00	1061.80
7	Maharashtra	5255.36	2907.21	1992.17	10154.74
8	Orissa	19943.63	31484.05	13799.18	65226.86
9	Andhra Pradesh	9193.61	6748.04	2985.27	18926.92
10	Assam	348.65	35.85	3.02	387.52
11	Sikkim	0.00	58.25	42.98	101.23
12	Arunachal Pradesh	31.23	40.11	18.89	90.23
13	Meghalaya	89.04	16.51	470.93	576.48
14	Nagaland	8.76	0.00	13.18	21.94

Total	105820.32	123469.7	37920.56	267210.58
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(c) & (d): No malpractice in allotment of coal from these places was reported.