GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1732 ANSWERED ON:04.08.2010 COAL PRODUCTION IN NAXALITE AREAS Thamaraiselyan Shri R.

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coal production in the country has been affected due to naxalite movement in certain States;
- (b) if so, the extent of decrease in each of these States during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government is having a re-look at production of coal in these States; and
- (d) if so, the measures taken/proposed to be taken for increasing the production of coal in these States?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes Sir, The naxal movement has affected coal production of Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL) in the state of Jharkhand mainly due to frequent bandhs called by naxal organizations and also due to stoppage of work because of threats meted out to the workforce engaged in coal production and transportation. The loss of coal production in CCL due to this is given below:-

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Year Loss of coal production

(in lakh tones)

2007-08 06.10

2008-09 08.28

2009-10 11.50

2010-11 (upto 11.26

June'2010)
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(c)&(d): Close coordination with State government is being maintained by CCL to contain impact of law and order situation on coal production. In addition the Coal Company is also taking up schemes under CSR activities to establish a good rapport with adjoining villages in order to contain the impact of naxalite movement in the area.