

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INCREASE IN PROFITS OF BEML
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEML) has earned huge profits due to shifting of its business to coal industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years alongwith the break-up of profit earned from coal and defence sectors;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to shift BEML from defence sector to coal sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. The increase in profitability of BEML is mainly on account of increase in the turnover of business segments of Mining & Construction and Railways and increase in productivity of all segments including defence segment. The increase in profit of Defence Segment is Rs.52.39 crore in the last three years (Rs.109.19 crore in 2008-2009 over Rs.56.80 crore in 2006-2007) whereas the increase in profit of Mining and Construction Sector is only Rs.30.45 crore (Rs.378.54 crore in 2008-2009 over Rs.348.09 crore in 2006-2007).

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.