

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:345  
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2010  
CAPACITY ADDITION IN COAL SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the requirement of coal for different sectors of economy, such as power, fertilizer, cement, steel etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, sector-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to add new capacity in coal sector including participation of private sector for augmenting the availability of coal;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the investment likely to be incurred for creation of new capacity in the coal sector?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the House. the steps taken by the Government in this regard?tion;uantity of coal remains piled up at pit head or railway sidings due to

STATEMENT AS MENTIONED IN ANSWER TO STARRED QUESTION NO.345 FOR ANSWER ON 18.08.2010 ASKED BY SHRI. VARUN GANDHI, REGARDING CAPACITY ADDITION IN COAL SECTOR.

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. As per Annual Plan 2010-11 of Ministry of Coal the sector-wise requirement of coal during the year 2010-11 (BE) is given below:

Major Sectors      Million Tonnes

Power (Utilities)      442.00

Power (Captive)      44.00

Cement      30.00

Steel Sector & Cokeries      50.51

Sponge Iron      28.80

BRK & Others/Fertilizer      61.00

Total 656.31

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. Apart from initiatives taken by Coal India Ltd., (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) to augment production of coal the Government has, inter alia, allotted 208 coal blocks to private/public companies to add new capacity in the coal sector. The measures taken by CIL and SCCL to increase production of coal are as follows:

(a) CIL has taken the following measures

(i) Identification of 142 new projects during XI Plan period with the ultimate additional capacity of 380.22 Mt. Out of 142 identified projects, 77 projects have been approved for a capacity of 184.78 Mt. The projected capacity addition from these projects will be 118.95 Mt during the terminal year of XI Plan (2011-12).

(ii) A few high capacity underground mines have been identified for development and operation through the state-of-the-art technology.

(iii) Restart mining operations in some abandoned mines belonging to three of its subsidiaries namely ECL, BCCL and CCL with appropriate technology forming JV with reputed mining companies.

(iv) Acquisition of mining stake abroad through Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) /Coal Videsh Wing of CIL.

(v) Upgradation of equipment size matching with bench height and stripping ratio.

(b) SCCL has taken the following measures towards construction of new mining projects to add new capacity.

(i) Seven (7) projects for underground coal mines with a capacity of 10.369 million tonnes during the XI Plan and

(ii) 16 open cast coal mining projects with a capacity of 28.35 million tonnes during the XI Plan.

(e) As per the Mid Term Appraisal carried out by the Planning Commission in September, 2009, the revised capital outlay for creating new capacity by CIL and SCCL would be Rs. 16090.68 crore & Rs. 3802.07 crore respectively during XI Five Year Plan. In addition a sum of Rs. 4225.80 crore has been allocated on various Central Sector Schemes of Ministry of Coal during this period.