

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:346  
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AUCTION OF COAL MINES  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether several coal mines were auctioned to private parties in various States during the last one year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, company-wise and price-wise;
- (c) whether some private companies have been reported to be involved in illegal mining: and
- (d) if so, details of such companies and action taken by the Government against such companies?

**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) No coal mines have been auctioned by the Ministry of Coal to private parties in various States during the last one year.
- (c) & (d) No incident of involvement of private companies in illegal mining has been reported to the Ministry during the last one year.