

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3591
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TRANSPORTATION OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coal produced in the collieries is transported to coal handling plants and railway siding located within a radius of 1 km by departmental transport;
- (b) if so, whether some of the coal companies including Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) are violating these norms and causing a heavy loss to public exchequer;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any action against officers/officials found guilty of violation of the aforesaid norms/policy;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, company-wise and State-wise; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL(SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a): No, Sir. Coal India Limited has reported that coal produced in the collieries of Coal India Limited is transported to coal handling plants and railway sidings located within a radius of 1 Km. by departmental transport/engaging Civilian transport contractors/Ex-servicemen (ESM) transportation agencies.

(b) to (f): Does not arise, in view of reply given to part (a) of the Question.