GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2561 ANSWERED ON:17.08.2011 SUPER STRUCTURES ON SURFACE OF COAL MINES Nagorao Shri Dudhgaonkar Ganeshrao

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the coal mining activities have been made difficult by super structures made on the surface of the mines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has framed any policy about such super structures in the coal mining areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the matter has been taken up with the State Governments; and

(f) if so, the response of the State Governments thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Major infrastructure projects like construction of Power Stations, Airports, Dams etc are being proposed in the coal bearing areas in different States leading to the sterilization of precious coal resources.

(c) to (f): The Central Government has requested various State Governments not to take up any major infrastructure projects on the coal bearing areas without consulting the Ministry of Coal and the coal companies concerned. The Ministries of Civil Aviation and Power have also similarly been requested in the matter.