

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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MINING BY NEW TECHNOLOGY

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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to induct/deploy the use of new technology for mining especially in old and loss making coal mines in view of increasing demand of coal:

(b) if so, the details thereof including the mines selected for the purpose; and

(c) the current status of implementation/use of the said technology?

**Answer**

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

(a) (b) & (c) : Yes, Sir. It has been proposed to revive 18 old abandoned or disused underground coal mines of Eastern Coal fields Ltd. (ECL), Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL) and Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL) under the jurisdiction of Coal India Ltd. (CIL), through joint venture with internationally reputed private parties having technological and economic expertise. These mines were identified for re-opening by Joint Venture Company(s) to be formed with CIL/Subsidiaries. Based on Expression of Interest (EoI) for selection of Joint Venture partners, 10 parties have been short listed for limited tendering. The mines selected in different subsidiaries are as follows:-

ECL	BCCL	CCL
1. Sangramgarh	1. Dharmaband	1. Associated Karanpurs
2. Seetalpur	2. Gaslitand	2. Hindgir
3. Kapasara	3. Industry	3. Pipradih
4. Shyampur A	4. Kenduadih	4. Khas Karanpura
5. Sripur	5. Kustore	
6. Girmint	6. Kujama	
	7. Victoria	
	8. Begunia	

The Implementation/use of new technology that will be required to revive the abandoned old mines will be indicated by the participating bidders.