

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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COAL PRODUCTION DURING ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH PLANS  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) the expenditure incurred on import of coal during the last three years and the current year; and  
(b) the comparative rates of different grades of domestic coal and coal imported from the International market during the said period?

**Answer**

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

(a) Import of coal is under the Open General License (OGL) and the consumers generally import it directly, neither Coal India Limited (CIL) nor Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) imported any coal directly during the last three years. However, the value of imported coal during the last three years is given below:-

(Rs. in crores)	
Year	Import
2006-07	16689
2007-08	20738
2008-09 (upto Jan'09)	32691

(b) The price of indigenous coal (inclusive of all statutory levies) procured from CIL sources vary in the range of Rs.625 per tonne (Grade F coal of MCL) to Rs.2713 per tonne (Grade A coal of NEC). Prices were last revised by CIL on 12.12.2007 and further for coal of NEC only on 8.3.2008. Prior to price revision on 12.12.2007, the price of coal from CIL sources was in the range of Rs.556 per tonne (Grade F coal of MCL) to Rs.2338 per tonne (Grade A coal of ECL/Raniganj).

The basic price of coal produced in SCCL for Grade A (highest grade) varies from Rs.2607 to Rs.2841 PMT and for the lowest grade G price varies from Rs.503 to Rs.653 PMT.

During the year 2007-08, total quantity of 49.79 Mty valuing Rs.20738.4 crores was imported from different countries. Out of this, 27.76 Mty was non-coking coal valuing Rs.8635.8 crores and 4.2 Mty of coke valuing Rs.5123.1 crores. Coking coal to the tune of 22.02 Mty valuing Rs.12102.5 crores was also imported during this year. During the year 2006-07, a total of 43.08 Mty valuing Rs.16688.6 crores was imported from different countries. Out of this, coking coal, non-coking coal & coke were 17.87 Mty, 25.20 Mty and 4.68 Mty valuing Rs.10180.6 crores, Rs.6508.0 crores and Rs.4021.1 crores respectively.