

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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CRITERIA FOR FIXING TARGETS FOR COAL PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria/parameters adopted in fixing the target for coal production; and
- (b) the details of the agencies involved in fixing the target?

Answer

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

(a): The criteria / parameters adopted in fixing the target of coal production are as follows:

- (i) Demand for coal
- (ii) Capacity addition from new projects planned for production
- (iii) Shrinkage of production due to exhaustion of reserve / closure of mines
- (iv) New equipment to be added during the year, Equipment to be surveyed off etc.
- (v) Coal off-take possibilities, wagon availability and other infrastructures availability related to coal evacuation.

(b): Coal production targets are fixed by Planning Commission in consultation with Ministry of Coal and coal companies at the time of formulation of Five Year Plan / Annual Plan of Ministry of Coal on the basis of the recommendations of Working Group on Coal & Lignite chaired by Secretary (C) including concerned Ministries and representatives of coal companies and end users.