

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2347  
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NAVRATNA STATUS TO NLC  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal for grant of Navratna status to Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC).
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the current status of the proposal; and
- (c) the time by which Navratna status is likely to be accorded to NLC?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a) & (b) : Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd. (NLC) has already been conferred with the Navratna status w.e.f. 11.04.2011. As Navratna Company, NLC has been delegated with vast financial powers and greater autonomy in its functioning.

(c) : Does not arise in view of the reply above.