

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6534  
ANSWERED ON:16.05.2012  
BENEFITS TO PRIVATE COMPANY  
Bajirao Shri Patil Padamsinha

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

- (a) whether concerns have been raised over the allocation of Chhatrasal and Mahan coal blocks to some private companies, thereby giving undue benefits to them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Ministry of Environment and Forests has been requested to review its decision with regard to environment and forest clearance to the said coal block; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along the action taken/being taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): Does not arise in view of reply given at (a) above.
- (c) & (d): In the 6th meeting of the Group of Ministers (GoM) held on 01.03.2012, Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) has been asked to constitute a committee to visit Mahan and Chhatrasal coal block sites and submit report for consideration of Group of Ministers.