

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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JOINT WORKING GROUP WITH INDONESIA
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Indonesia have decided to form a joint working group for exploration and execution of coal assets abroad;
- (b) if so, the countries where the possibility of exploration of coal is possible and whether any talks have been held with these countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether India has been importing coal from Indonesia and other countries; and
- (e) if so, the countries and the quantity of coal imported from each country during the last three years and the current year alongwith the amount spent thereon?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Govt. of Mozambique has recently allotted exploration license for two numbers of Coal Blocks, A-1 and A-2 covering an area of about 224 Sq. Km in the Moatize district of Tete province to Coal India Limited (CIL).

(d): Significant quantities of non-coking coal are imported from South Africa in Western coastal ports of the country and from Indonesia in Southern/Eastern coastal ports of the country and coking coal is imported from Australia.

(e): The year-wise details of coal imports in the country for the last three years are as under:-

Year	Coking Coal Quantity Value (Million tonnes)	Non-Coking Coal Quantity Value (Million Rupees)	Quantity Value (Million tonnes)	(Million Rupees)
2005-06	16.891	95373	21.695	53722
2006-07	17.877	101806	25.204	65080
2007-08	22.029	121025	27.765	86358
2008-09	24.00	-	35.00	-

(Prov.)