

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4135
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ALLOCATION OF COAL BLOCKS
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Steel Authority of India (SAIL) has approached his Ministry for allocation of more coal blocks to achieve its targeted production of steel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government on the above proposal?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Allocation of coal blocks is an on-going process. Requests from various Central PSUs including SAIL are received for allocation of coal blocks from time to time. However, Government has not presently invited applications from the Government companies for allocation of coal blocks.

(c): Does not arise in view of reply given at (a) & (b) above.