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TARGET FOR COAL PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the target fixed for coal production in each of the coal producing States in the country during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether there has been shortfall in achieving the targets in certain States during the above period;
- (c) if so, the main reasons for not achieving the targets in these States; and
- (d) the targets fixed for coal production during the 12th Five Year Plan and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to achieve the said targets?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The production targets of coal are not fixed State-wise. However, year-wise target and state-wise production of coal at all India level during the last three years are given below:-

(in million tonnes)

Year	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Target (all India)	532.33	572.37	554.00
Stat wise production	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Andhra Pradesh	50.429	51.333	52.211
Arunachal Pradesh	0.251	0.299	0.222
Assam	1.113	1.101	0.602
Chattisgarh	109.953	113.825	113.958
Jammu & Kashmir	0.023	0.023	0.020
Jharkhand	105.917	108.949	109.560
Madhya Pradesh	74.074	71.104	71.123
Maharashtra	41.005	39.336	39.158
Meghalaya	5.767	6.974	7.206
Orissa	106.409	15.526	16.178
Uttar Pradesh	13.968	15.526	16.178
West Bengal	23.133	21.659	24.227
Total Production	532.042	532.694	539.940 (P)

(c): The major reasons for the shortfall in production in Coal PSUs have been follow:-

- (i) Transportation constraints in moving coal from pithead to sidings
- (ii) Intermittent law and order problems hampering coal movement particularly in States of Jharkhand and Orissa
- (iii) Sub-optimal utilization of captive modes like MGR by power stations
- (iv) Mismatch between indents and wagon supply and unloading constraints hampering wagon supply to the desired extent.
- (v) Seasonal adversities like heavy rains, heat wave conditions and fog situations hampering optimal level of coal transportation and movement.

(d): As per the Planning Commission the target of production in the terminal year of the 12th Five Year Plan (2016-17) has been set at 795 million tones.

The Government has taken a series of steps including expediting Environment & Forestry clearances, pursuing with Ministry of Railways for enhancing availability of rail rakes and approaching State Government for necessary assistance in land acquisition and in problems relating to law and order. In addition, a series of steps have been taken by Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries for augmenting coal production which include (i) increasing the efficiency of the equipments, regular monitoring, mechanization as programmed and strict supervision of the existing mines and ongoing projects (ii) Capacity addition from new and future projects (iii)

Consistent efforts for resolving issues of environmental & forestry clearances, land acquisition and law and order problems.