

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF NEC
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual production of North Eastern Coalfield (NEC) in Assam;
- (b) whether many underground mines in Assam have been closed; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) The production of Coal of NEC during 2008-09 was 1.01mt.

(b) & (c) The production in underground mines in Margherita, Baragolai and Tipong has been suspended by DGMS by invoking section 22(3) of Mines Act 1952 since 07.11.2008. The Ledo underground mine has been sealed from surface on 07.11.2008 following occurrence of accidents on 04.11.2008 and 07.11.2008.