

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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REVIVAL OF CLOSED COAL MINES

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

- (a) whether several mines of the Coal India Limited have been closed down;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, State and subsidiary-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has examined the proposal regarding the viability of these mines or made efforts for the revival of these units before taking the decision to close them down; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): Certain mines of Coal India Ltd. have been closed down/discontinued/ abandoned mainly due to reasons like exhaustion of extractable reserves, depletion of resources etc. State and subsidiary-wise details of closed/abandoned/discontinued mines of Coal India Limited during the last three years and the current year (upto September 2012) are as follows:

Subsidiary Year Name of Mine State

BCCL	2010-11	Madhuban UG	Jharkhand
CCL	2011-12	Karkata OC	Jharkhand
WCL	2009-10	Pathakhera I	Madhya Pradesh
		Gajandoh (MP)	
	2011-12	Pathakhera II	
SECL			
	2009-10	Jainagar 5 & 6	Chhattisgarh
		KotmaWest OC	MP
		Banki 9 & 10	Chhattisgarh
	2010-11	New Amlai MP	
		Anjan Hill	Chhattisgarh
	2011-12	Chhal Incline	Chhattisgarh
		Pawan Incline	
		B Seam UG	
NEC	2010-11	Baragolai UG	Assam

(c)&(d): Several mines are closed due to exhaustion of reserves. Therefore, reviving of these mines is not possible. However, the mines closed due to techno-economic reasons like adverse geo-mining conditions, safety reasons, etc. can be revived if suitable technology which is economically viable is available in future.