

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5641  
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2013  
GRADES OF COAL  
Patle Kamla Devi

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

- (a) whether problems are besetting the supplies of 'E' and 'F' grade coal used in the Sponge Iron plants set up in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has issued guidelines to the Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. to make adequate supplies of coal from linkage to the Sponge Iron plants set up in the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a)&(b): No such problem has been brought to the notice of government. South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) is supplying 'E' & 'F' grade coal to Sponge Iron Plants set up in Chhattisgarh, as per Fuel Supply Agreements (FSAs) executed with them.
- (c): No, Sir
- (d): Does not arise