

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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DOMESTIC COAL PRICE
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aiming at bringing domestic coal prices at par with international prices;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the efforts being made by the Government in this direction?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): At present the prices of higher grades of non-coking coal are fixed at import parity price with a discount as recommended in the Integrated Energy Policy of Government and also the prices of washed coking coal which are fixed by the subsidiary coal companies are decided on the basis of negotiation with steel plants keeping in view the import parity price. The lower bands of non-coking coal are much less than international market price.