

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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COAL PRODUCTION BY NLC .  
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the quality and quantity of coal produced by the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) is adequate to meet the requirement of its users;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the profit earned/loss incurred by the NLC during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the alternative steps taken by the Government to meet the requirement of the users?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): The quality and quantity of Lignite produced by the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) is adequate to meet the requirement of its users. The major part of lignite produced by NLC is used for power generation in its pit head Thermal Power Stations. Around 1.9 Million tonnes of lignite per year is supplied to an Independent Power Producer (IPP) through a fuel supply agreement and a small portion (2 to 5 %) of lignite is sold to nearby industries like cement, steel, brick making chemical etc. The demand and actual production of lignite in respect of NLC during the last three years and current year is given below:

Year      In Million Tonnes

Demand of Lignite    Actual production of Lignite    Profit after tax of NLC

2010-11    21.90    23.144    1298.33

2011-12    23.20    24.591    1411.33

2012-13    24.95    26.223    1459.75

2013-14    6.56    6.636    #  
(upto June 2013)

(c) : Does not arise in view of the reply to part (a & b) above.