

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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COAL SUPPLY BY MCL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether coal in adequate quantity is being supplied to various power generation companies in Maharashtra including Mahajenco by the Mahanadi Coalfields (MCL);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has issued any directives regarding uninterrupted supply of coal to all power generating companies of Maharashtra including Mahajenco;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the measures taken by the Government to meet their coal demand?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) is committed to supplying coal in adequate quantities to its Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) holders including Power Plants of MAHAGENCO.

(c)to(e): The coal supply to power plants in the country is made in accordance with the provisions of bilateral Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) executed between power stations and coal companies. Wherever FSAs are not concluded, coal supply is made through best-effort Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as per allocation made by Central Electricity Authority (CEA). CIL has guaranteed to supply 90% of Annual Contract Quantity (ACQ) for TPPs commissioned prior to 31.03.2009 and 80% of ACQ for TPPs commissioned after 31.3.2009.

Considering the production possibilities and coal requirement of various sectors including that the power sector envisaged to come upto in XII Plan, provisions have been made by Coal India Limited (CIL) in the FSA model for coal supply mix comprising of indigenous and imported coal in respect of consumers concluding FSA through Letter of Assurance (LoA) route. In addition to the monitoring mechanism available at coal companies and CIL, coal supplies to Power Utility sector is monitored regularly by an inter-Ministerial Sub-Group comprising representatives of Ministry of Power, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Railways constituted by the Infrastructure Review Committee of Cabinet Secretariat. This Sub-Group makes various operational suggestions ensure uninterrupted coal supplies to power utilities and for meeting any contingent situations relating to Power sector including critical coal stock position.