

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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EXPORT OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India is exporting coal to countries like China, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Japan when the country's power projects are facing shortage of coal;
- (b) if so, the quantity and value of coal exported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (c) whether India's total import of coal has risen drastically during the said period; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons behind the export of coal when the commodity has been imported in large quantities?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The quantity and value of export of coal during last three years as per data available from the Director General Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, (DGCI&S), Ministry of Commerce, is given below.

Country	Quantity	Mte	Value	Rs.Million			
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	
1 CHINA	2.3	0.0	0.0	7024	0	0	
2 BANGLADESH	1.2	1.2	1.5	2463	3092	5177	
3 NEPAL	0.7	0.7	1.1	1210	2363	1983	
4 JAPAN	0.2	0.0	1865	0			
5 BHUTAN	0.0	0.1	0.1	23	329	428	
Total (1 to 5)	4.4	2.0	2.7	12585.0	5784.0	7588.0	
Total all countries Source: DGCI&S.	4.4	2.0	2.8	12641.0	5900.0	8087.0	

(c)&(d): As per the current import policy of Government, coal is placed under open general licence and can be freely imported by anyone on payment of applicable import duty as per their requirement. The details of coal imports in the country during the last three years, and current year is given below:

Coal import into India

(Quantity in Million Tonne & Value in Rs. Million.)
Quantity Value

2010-11 68.92 415496

2011-12 102.85 788376

2012-13 137.56 810128

Source: CCO and DGCIS

As per information received, Coal India Ltd has not been exporting coal since 2010-11 and prior to 2010-11, coal was exported from CIL only to SAARC countries, mostly Nepal. Singareni Coal Collieries Ltd (SCCL) too has not been exporting any coal during the said period.