

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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MOZAMBIQUE PRODUCTION PROJECT
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Coal India Limited (CIL) is likely to scrap Mozambique production project due to poor deposits;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether the coal in the two blocks acquired in Mozambique is unfit for consumption by Indian power plants; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d): Coal India Limited (CIL) had obtained exploration license in Mozambique. However, geological exploration of this block has not been completed. Without exploration and preparation of the Geological Report, any decision about commercial mining and suitability for consumption by Indian power plants cannot be taken.