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COAL PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the targets fixed and total production of coal by the subsidiaries of Coal India Limited (CIL) during each of the last three years, subsidiary-wise;
- (b) whether the quantum of coal produced by these coal subsidiaries fall short of the targets fixed for them;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the demand supply gap of coal is estimated to go up to 200 MT in 2016-17, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the corrective measures being taken in this regard along with the steps taken for increasing the production of all the subsidiaries of the CIL?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): The target and actual production of coal by Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries during the last three years with growth of actual production are given below:

Company	Coal Production (Mte)					
	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15	
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual (Prov)
ECL	33.00	33.91	34.50	36.05	38.00	40.01
BCCL	31.00	31.21	32.50	32.61	34.00	34.51
CCL	55.00	48.06	53.50	50.02	55.00	55.64
NCL	70.00	70.02	72.20	68.64	77.00	72.48
WCL	45.00	42.29	44.00	39.73	44.00	41.15
SECL	117.00	118.22	124.30	124.26	131.00	128.28
MCL	112.00	107.89	120.00	110.44	127.00	121.38
NEC	1.10	0.61	1.00	0.66	1.00	0.78
Total CIL	464.10	452.21	482.00	462.41	507.00	494.23

Growth in % 3.8 2.3 6.8

The quantum increase in production in 2014-15 has been about 32 million tonnes compared to 10.2 million tonnes in 2013-14, 16.3 million tonnes in 2012-13, 4.58 million tonnes in 2011-12 and 0.06 million tonnes in 2010-11. Thus, the increase in production in 2014-15 has been higher than cumulative production increase of last 4 years.

(d)&(e): As per the Report of the Working Group on Coal and Lignite for formulation of XIth Five Year Plan (2012-17), the total demand of coal in the terminal year of XIth Plan (2016-17) was assessed at 980.50 million tonnes and the actual domestic supply was estimated at 795 Mte. As per the Working Group report on Coal & Lignite for 12th Plan projections, the gap between demand and domestic supply in 2016-17 was estimated to be in the range of 185-265 Mte.

In view of persistent demand supply gap, the import of coal has been kept on Open General License (OGL). Consumers are free to import coal from the source of their choice as per their contractual prices on payment of applicable duty. At the same time, in order to increase domestic production the focus of the Government is on increasing domestic production. To that end, efforts have been made by the Government to meet the target of domestic coal production which include efforts to expedite Environment & Forest clearances, pursuing with State Government for help in expediting land acquisition and coordinated effort with Railways for movement of coal. Steps have been taken by Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries to augment coal production which includes capacity addition from new projects and use of mass production technologies. An action plan has also been drawn by CIL in this regard to achieve production of 1000 Mte by 2019-20.