GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2200 ANSWERED ON:24.07.2014 COAL MINES . Giluwa Shri Laxman;Mahto Dr. Banshilal

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of coal mines located in Jharkhand and Korba area of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the number of underground mines and open cast mines out of the said coal mines;
- (c) the number of private sector mines and public sector mines;
- (d) the number of mines in which production is going on along with the number of mines lying closed; and
- (e) the reasons for closing down of mines and the steps taken by the Government to re-start these mines?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)to(c) The number of working coal mines as on 31.3.2014 in the State of Jharkhand and in Korba District of Chhattisgarh is given below.

State Opencast Underground Mixed Total
Public Private Total Public Private Total Public Private Total
Sector Sector Sector Sector Sector Sector
Jhar 70 7 77 74 5 79 21 0 21 177
khand
Korba 04 01 05 12 0 12 0 0 0 17
District,
Chhattisgarh

- (d) Since nationalization the number of closed / abandoned / discontinued mines of CIL in Jharkhand is 48 and in Korba District, Chhattisgarh is 08 as on 01.04.14.
- (e) Mines are closed due to exhaustion of reserves, obsolete technology, safety reasons, adverse geo-mining conditions etc. Such mines are revived with suitable technology provided it is economically viable.