

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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LOSS OF CIL
Dhruvanarayana Shri Rangaswamy

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a): whether underground mines hit Coal India Limited (CIL) profit;
- (b): if so, the state-wise details of the loss occurred so far and the reasons therefor; and
- (c): the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The cost of production in underground mines is higher than cost of production in opencast mines and accordingly this has a financial impact on CIL. The data on state-wise loss incurred in last ten years i.e. 2004-05 to 2013-14 from underground mines are given below:-

(Rs. in Lakh)

| Subsidiary State | Total |
|--------------------|-----------|
| BCCL Jharkhand | 1,560,168 |
| CCL Jharkhand | 524,558 |
| ECL Jharkhand | 182,579 |
| West Bengal | 1,282,868 |
| MCL Odisha | 138,653 |
| NEC Assam | 105,203 |
| SECL Chattisgarh | 202,100 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 171,008 |
| WCL Madhya Pradesh | 319,051 |
| Maharashtra | 384,993 |
| Total | 4,871,181 |

- (c): The following steps have been taken by CIL to improve production in underground mines wherever feasible through
- (i) Gradually conversion of manual underground mines into semi mechanized technology like Load Haul Dump (LHD) / Side Discharge Loader (SDL) with Universal Drilling Machine (UDM).
 - (ii) Mass Production Technology i.e. use of Continuous Miner and Long Wall Technology, development in transport infrastructure,
 - (iii) Deployment of 7 Continuous Miners with a capacity of about 2.835 Mty. Further, Project Report for 20 mines has been approved for deployment of 25 Continuous Miners with total capacity of 11.385 Mty.
 - (iv) Orders have been issued for operating five mines with long-wall technology.