

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ABANDONING CLOSURE OF COAL MINES

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the coal mines abandoned/closed in the country including Jharkhand during the last three years and the current year and the coal mines which are likely to be closed after exhaustion of coal in them, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of loss in production of coal as a result of abandoning/closure of those mines and the quantum of loss likely to be lost due to such abandoning/closures in future;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to compensate these losses/reduction in production of coal;

(d) whether any contingency plan has been prepared by the Government to explore and operate new mining areas so that there is no deficiency in supply of coal to thermal power plants; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) The State-wise list of coal mines abandoned/closed/discontinued, in Coal India Limited (CIL) during the last three years as on 1.4.2014, due to exhaustion of reserves are given below :

S.No.	State	Years of Closure	Name of Mines
1	West Bengal	2011-12	Nil
		2012-13	Nil
		2013-14	Begunia UG
2	Jharkhand	2011-12	Karkatta OC
		2012-13	N.S. Dhoru UG
		2013-14	Nil
3	Madhya Pradesh	2011-12	Patherkhera-II UG
		2012-13	Damua UG
		2013-14	i) Satpura-II UG ii) Nandan-I UG iii) Baiga OC
4	Maharashtra	2011-12	Nil
		2012-13	
		2013-14	
5	Chhattisgarh	2011-12	i) West Chirimiri OC ii) Pawan Incline
		2012-13	Nil
		2013-14	Nil
6	Odisha	2011-12	Nil
		2012-13	
		2013-14	
7	Assam	2011-12	Nil
		2012-13	
		2013-14	

The following mines which are likely to be closed, State-wise, during the next five years are given below :

S.No.	State	Name of the Mines
1.	West Bengal	i) West Kenda OC ii) Mahabir OC iii) Belbaid OC
2.	Jharkhand	i) Rajpura OC ii) Sirka UG iii) Ray Bachra UG iv) Jarangdih OC v) Sel. Dhoru/Kalyani OC vi) SDQ-III OC
3.	Madhya Pradesh	i) Rajnagar OC

- ii) Kanchan OC
 - iii) Dhanpur UG
 - iv) Jamuna 9/10 UG
 - v) Rajnagar RO UG
 - vi) Malga UG
 - vii) Bijuri UG
 - viii) Kaidhara UG
 - ix) Jamuna OC
4. Maharashtra i) Makardhokra - II OC
- ii) Navin Kunada OC
5. Chhattisgarh i) Dugga OC
- ii) Banki Main UG
 - iii) Balgil/2, 3 & 4
 - iv) Dharam UG
 - v) Chhal OC
 - vi) Bartunga Hill UG
 - vii) NCPH Old UG
 - viii) North Chirimiri UG
 - ix) Kumda 7/8 UG
 - x) Bistrampur OC
6. Odisha i) Chhendipara OCP

(b to e) : Every year, some mines are closed / abandoned / discontinued due to exhaustion of reserves, safety and economic viability. To compensate this loss and augment the production, new projects are opened from time to time and capacity of ongoing projects is enhanced, wherever feasible.