

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF COAL
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether power production in Rayalaseema and Krishnapatnam Thermal power projects have been adversely affected due to severe shortage of coal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to ensure sufficient supply of coal to the above projects and to other projects in Andhra Pradesh?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : Rayalaseema (1050 MW) coal based power plant of Andhra Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGENCO) has reported a meagre generation loss of 7.1 Million Unit (MU) (0.08% of the total generation of 9,197 MU) during the period April- June 2014 due to coal shortages. Krishnapatnam thermal power project of APGENCO has not been commissioned so far.

(c) : The steps being taken by the Government to ensure sufficient supply of coal to the above projects and to other projects in Andhra Pradesh, inter-alia are :

1. Coal India Ltd. / Singareni Collieries Company Limited has been asked to enhance production of domestic coal in the country.
2. In order to meet shortfall in coal demand and availability of domestic coal, power utilities have been advised to import coal.