

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1559
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2017**

Norms for Forming Coal Company

1559: SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the norms for forming coal company by Coal Department; and

(b) whether Talcher Area under Mahanadi Coal Field is to have a separate coal company in the name of Brahmani and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COAL AND RAILWAYS

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): Coal companies are carved out to facilitate mining operations, keeping in view logistical requirements. Creation of a separate coal company in Talcher area under Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) by reducing the MCL's command area would result in several operational difficulties and make the company uneconomical. As such, there is no proposal to have a separate coal company in Talcher area. Further, additional administrative cost without significant revenue/ return would not be a workable proposition.
