

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3532
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2022

IMPACT OF COAL SHORTAGE ON MSMEs

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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any data about the impact of coal shortage on MSMEs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps or proposes to take any steps to address the coal shortage and minimise its impact on MSMEs;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including progress made till date, and the timeline and targets for future; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM
ENTERPRISES
(SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

(a)to(e): As per New Coal Distribution Policy (NCDP), 8 million tonnes of coal has been earmarked to be allocated to State Nominated Agencies (SNAs) for distribution to MSME's and other consumers having annual requirement upto 10,000 metric tonnes. Based on the request received from the States, coal is allocated to their authorised SNA's as per their requirement. For FY 2021-22, Coal India Limited (CIL) has allocated 6.6743 million tonnes of coal to 13 States and 18 SNA's.
