

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 35
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2021**

Opening of new Coal Mines

***35. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:**

Will the **MINISTER OF COAL** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to open new coal mines;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposed number of new coal mines and the proposed sites of mining;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to use forest lands for the proposed new mines and if so, the details of place and number of hectares of forest land to be used in case of each new mine; and
- (d) the percentage of energy needs of India that are achieved through coal mining?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES
(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)**

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.35 for answer on 03.02.2021 asked by Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Singari regarding 'Opening of new Coal Mines'.

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) & (c): Coal India Ltd. (CIL) and its subsidiaries have planned to open 22 new coal mines. The details are as under:

Sl. No.	Subsidiary	Name of Mine	State	Area of Forest Land (Ha)
1	Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL)	Hura C OC	Jharkhand	560
2	Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL)	Moonidih XV Seam UG	Jharkhand	Nil
3	Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL)	Sanghmitra OC	Jharkhand	553.53
4	CCL	Chandragupta OC	Jharkhand	663.90
5	CCL	Patratu ABC UG	Jharkhand	103.43
6	CCL	Piparwar Ph-I UG	Jharkhand	37.81
7	CCL	Kotre Basantpur Pachmo OC	Jharkhand	814.93
8	CCL	Pichri OC	Jharkhand	23.02
9	Northern Coalfields Ltd. (NCL)	Semaria OC	Madhya Pradesh	333.16
10	Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL)	Gandhigram UG	Madhya Pradesh	3.28
11	WCL	Sharda UG	Madhya Pradesh	9.5
12	WCL	Tawa III UG	Madhya Pradesh	101.60
13	WCL	Dhankasa UG	Madhya Pradesh	385.84
14	South Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (SECL)	Ambika OC	Chhattisgarh	6.28
15	SECL	Rampur Batura OC	Madhya Pradesh	4.65
16	SECL	Durgapur OC	Chhattisgarh	251.84
17	SECL	Ketki UG	Chhattisgarh	208
18	SECL	Madannagar OC	Chhattisgarh	982.60
19	SECL	Pelma OC	Chhattisgarh	390.73
20	SECL	Porda Chintapani	Chhattisgarh	183.03
21	SECL	Batura West OC	Madhya Pradesh	Nil
22	Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. (MCL)	Siarmal OCP	Odisha	349.71

Further the following 19 coal mines have been recently auctioned for commercial mining under the provisions of Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015 and the rules made thereunder as well as under the provisions of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder:

Sl. No.	Block	Successful Bidder	Area (sq. km.)	Tentatively Estimated Green Cover from Forest Survey of India Map (%)	Forest Area (in Ha) as per Mining Plans submitted by prior allottee
1	Bandha	EMIL Mines and Mineral Resources Ltd.	18.5	40	Not Available
2	Brahmadiha	The Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Ltd.	0.87	--	Nil
3	Chakla	Hindalco Industries Limited	8.63	--	550
4	Dhirauli	Stratatech Mineral Resources Private Ltd.	26.72	55	Not Available
5	Gare Palma IV /1	Jindal Power Limited	10.15	--	91.179
6	Gare Palma IV /7	Sarda Energy and Minerals Ltd.	4.82	5	Nil
7	Gondulpara	Adani Enterprises Limited	4.1	--	176
8	Gotitoria East	Boulder Stone Mart Private Ltd.	1.12	--	98.85
9	Gotitoria West		2.04	--	
10	Marki Mangli II	Yazdani International Private Ltd.	3.4	--	111.8
11	Radhikapur East	EMIL Mines and Mineral Resources Ltd.	10.16	--	218.9
12	Radhikapur West	Vedanta Ltd.	10.29	--	84.7949

13	Rajhara North (Central & Eastern)	Fairmine Carbons Private Ltd.	1.09	--	Nil
14	Sahapur East	Chowgule and Company Private Ltd.	6.59	--	9.199
15	Sahapur West	Sarda Energy and Minerals Ltd.	6.19	--	35.263
16	Takli Jena Bellora North & South	Aurobindo Reality and Infrastructure Private Ltd.	9.36	0	--
17	Urma Pharitola		9.76	15	Not Available
18	Urtan	JMS Mining Private Ltd.	3.79	0	Not Available
19	Urtan North		4.77	--	Nil

(d): Currently, coal accounts for approximately 55% of the country's primary energy consumption and CIL accounts for about 83% of country's coal production.
