

[22 August, 2001]

RAJYA SABHA

Cost of coal production in Simlong, Kiludia, Tapli and Rajpura Coalfields of ECL

3202. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the average cost of production of coal at Simlong, Kiludia, Tapli and Rajpura mines of Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL);

(b) what is the total number of mines in ECL and how many of them are in operation at present;

(c) what is the total loss of ECL in 2000-2001; and

(d) how the productivity indicator "Tons per employee" of CIL compares with the average figures of industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The average cost of production (Provisional) of coal for the year 2000-2001 of the following mines of Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) are given below:—

Name of the mine	Average cost of production (Rs. per tonne)
Simlong OC	2,920.01
Kiludia and Tapli	No mines by these names in ECL
Rajpura OC	4,861.08

(b) The total number of working mines in ECL is 114. Out of these, six are not producing coal at present.

(c) The total loss of ECL in 2000-01 is estimated at Rs. 917.16 crores, which may vary on finalisation of accounts.

(d) The productivity indicator "output (tonnes) per manshift" i.e. OMS in Coal India Limited (CIL) *vis-a-vis* Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) during the year 1999-2000, is indicated below:

	UG OMS	OC OMS	Overall OMS
CIL	0.61	5.46	2.11
SCCL	0.75	4.42	1.42