

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|---------|-----|----|---|---|----|---|----|----|-----|
| 2008-09 | 210 | 71 | 9 | 2 | 41 | 3 | 10 | 17 | 166 |
| 2009-10 | 194 | 53 | 8 | 1 | 42 | 6 | 25 | 18 | 268 |
| 2010-11 | 65 | 21 | 2 | 0 | 25 | 4 | 1 | 51 | 168 |

Production of coal

†1252. SHRI BALVANT ALIAS BAL APTE: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of coal produced in the country between December, 2011 and February, 2012;

(b) whether a decrease has been registered in coal production during the said period;

(c) if so, the volume of this decrease and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the thermal power plants have been supplied less coal during the said period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL): (a) Production of coal between December, 2011 and February, 2012 is given below:-

| Period | Production (in MT) |
|----------------|--------------------|
| December, 2011 | 52.781 |
| January, 2012 | 54.197 |
| February, 2012 | 55.937 |

(b) The coal produced in the country has increased from 52.781 million tonnes on December, 2011 to 55.937 million tonnes in February, 2012.

(c) Does not arise in view of part (a) and (b).

(d) and (e) The coal supplies made by CIL and SCCL to power utilities have increased from 92.32 million tonnes during December, 2010 to February, 2011 to 99.35 Million tonnes during December, 2011 to February, 2012.

Sale of coal

1253. SHRI BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the sale of coal in the market meant for captive plants;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.