

Production of coal for power generation

315. SHRI N.K. SINGH:

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NTPC has been re-allocated some coal blocks for production of coal for power generation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what steps are being taken by NTPC to increase production of coal from these blocks;
- (d) whether there is a stipulated time when NTPC needs to develop these coal blocks; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL): (a) and (b) The request of Ministry of Power for withdrawal of deallocation of Chattibariatu, Chattbariatu (South) and Kerandari coal blocks is under consideration of the Government.

(c) NTPC has submitted a revised schedule for exploitation of the above blocks.

(d) and (e) As per the guidelines, coal production from captive coal block should commence within 36 months (42 months in case the area falls in forest land) in case of open cast mines and in 48 months (54 months in case the area falls in forest land) in case of underground mine, from the date of allocation. If the coal block is not explored, additional two years are allowed for detailed exploration and three months for preparation of geological report.

Coal mining in Assam

316. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage increase in coal production in Assam;
- (b) the provisions for the benefit of people and development of the areas where coal mining is being carried out and the details of facilities being provided to the people, so far; and

(c) the names and the details of companies which have been given, permission for mining of coal in Tinsukia and Dibrugarh districts at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL): (a) Production of coal in Assam during the last five years is given below:-

(million tones)		
Year	Production	%age increase over previous year
2007-08	1.101	(+)4.86
2008-09	1.009	(-)8.36
2009-10	1.113	(-)10.31
2010-11	1.101	(-)1.08
2011-12 (P)	0.602	(-)45.32

(b) Development works in the peripheral area of coal mining in Assam are being carried out regularly under CSR scheme of Coal India Limited. Types of jobs which facilitated the people are as under:-

- (i) Construction of Roads, Culverts and Drains.
- (ii) Construction of Community Hall and Schools.
- (iii) Construction of deep well and water reservoir for water supply.
- (iv) Electrification.
- (v) Free medical camp at a regular interval.

(c) North Eastern Coalfields, Coal India Ltd. (CIL) is doing mining of coal in Tinsukia District in Assam.

De-allocation of coal blocks

317. SHRI SABIR ALI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the companies which have been examined by the Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) for de-allocation of coal blocks; and

(b) the number of them which have been recommended de-allocation of coal blocks along with other punitive actions?