

**Coal production**

1886. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coal India Limited (CIL) top line is likely to grow by around four per cent in 2013-14, the bottom line may stay at last year's levels;

(b) whether it is also a fact that CIL's profits during the first half were lower by Rs. 762 crore at Rs. 6783 crore in the April-September 2013 period;

(c) whether the cost of production was facing inflationary pressure; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL): (a) and (b) The performance of Coal India Limited in terms of its Net Sales and Profit after tax for April to September (2013-14) as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year is as under:-

Particulars	2013-14 (30.09.2013)	2012-13 (30.09.2012)	% Increase/ Decrease
Net Sales (Rs. Crs.)	31883.91	31073.13	(+) 2.61
PAT (Rs. Crs.)	6783.36	7547.34	(-) 10.12%

(c) and (d) The inflationary pressure on Cost of Production as measured by the following Price Indices is as under:

Particulars	AICPI (Base Year-2001)	WPI (Base Year-2004-05)
Average for the period April -September 2013	232.50	175.18
Average for the period April -September 2012	210.00	165.67
% Increase	(+) 10.71%	(+) 5.74%

**Allocation of Chandrabilla coal block to OPGC**

1887. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :