To facilitate liquidation of coal stock, CIL has offered 10 Mte. of coal under special e- auction to Power Sector consumers in line with directions of Government. Subsidiaries of CIL have also been advised to make all out efforts to enhance despatches through all modes to consumers as per commitment.

## Import of coal

1762. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is drastic fall in the import of coal during the current financial year;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor, and
- (c) the details of coal imported during the last five years, country-wise and quantity imported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (c) As per CCO reports, during April-November 2015, the import of coal was 127.52 Mte as compared to 137.61 Mte in the corresponding period of 2014-15 showing a fall of 7.3%. This slowdown in import is largely due to the fact that coal production by Coal India Ltd. (CIL) registered a growth of 8.8% during April-November, 2015 over the same period in the previous year. The country-wise import of coal during the last five years is given below:-

Country	Import of Coal (in Million tonnes)				
	2010-11 Quantity	2011-12 Quantity	2012-13 Quantity	2013-14 Quantity	2014-15 Quantity
Indonesia	35.944	55,260	82.393	101.870	118,215
Australia	15.949	27.793	30.450	34.480	47.459
South Africa	11.214	12.217	20.293	20.614	30.731
USA	1.771	2.974	6.389	3.651	4.270
Russia	0.423	1.194	0.371	0.742	1.333
New Zealand	0.795	0,960	1.047	1.132	1.025
China PRP	0.242	0.482	0.015	0.207	0.019
Canada	_	0.230	0.999	1.247	1.957
Mozambique	_	0.049	0.978	1.499	1.979
Others	2.580	1.694	2.850	1.415	5.115
Total	68.918	102.853	145.785	166.857	212.103