

Presently coal linkages to Power Plants are made under the provisions of SHAKTI Policy and under this policy, coal linkage to Government PSUs are made on nomination basis on the recommendation of Ministry of Power. The request of coal linkage to Edlapur and Godhna TPS shall be processed after receipt of recommendations from Ministry of Power.

Subsidiaries of CIL

1576. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Coal India Limited (CIL) is chasing a target of 660 million tonne stipulated in MoU;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that many subsidiaries of CIL have taken measures to keep production during the monsoon months on an even level;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that CIL is facing problem in some of its subsidiary companies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. Subsidiaries of Coal India Limited (CIL) have taken following initiatives for ensuring desired production on an even level during the monsoon months:

- Major monsoon activities such as preparation of sump of adequate capacity, cutting of garland drain around the periphery of mine to prevent inrush of water from outside mine boundary, cleaning of internal drains and approach road to pump/sumps.
- Installation of pumps of desired capacity, where essential in Opencast (OC) mines pumps have been installed over pontoons for smooth operation of pumps, laying of pipeline range, maintenance of Over Head (O/H) line and electrical appliances.
- Major civil works/activities such as Haul road & Coal Transportation road repairing, Laying of Hume pipes as per requirement, cleaning of sidings and weighbridges on a regular basis during monsoon.
- Establishment of Control rooms at company HQ, as well as in all areas and units to function round the clock to deal with any eventuality arising during monsoon.
- Ensuring 100% availability of Road and Rail Weight Bridges.

(c) and (d) Some subsidiary companies of CIL are facing problems which include Land acquisition, Physical possession of land, Rehabilitation & Resettlement (R&R),

Encroachers, Forestry Clearance, Environmental Clearance, Evacuation and logistics constraints, Law and Order problem etc.

Shortage in production of coal

1577. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of coal in financial Year 2018-19 has been recorded at 606.89 MT which is around 3MT short of its planned production target of 610 MT;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the production was 92MT in the first quarter of financial year 2019-20 as well as production was negative in the months of April and May; and

(d) if so, action plan of Ministry to achieve the envisaged production target of 660MT in financial year 2019-20?

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI): (a) Coal India Limited (CIL) produced 606.89 Million Tonne (MT) (Provisional) against the target of 610 MT in financial year 2018-19 which is short by around 3 MT of the production target of 610 MT.

(b) The major reasons for short fall in production of CIL are Land acquisition, Physical possession of land, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) issues, Encroachers, Forestry Clearance, Environmental Clearance, Evacuation and logistics constraints, Law and Order problems etc.

(c) CIL produced 91.88 MT of coal during the month April - May 2019 compared to 91.98 MT in the corresponding period of previous year showing a negative growth of 0.1%

(d) The Ministry of Coal has fixed the target of coal production at 660 MT by CIL for 2019-20. To achieve this target, the focus of the Government is on pursuing with State Government for assistance in land acquisition and law and order issues and coordinated efforts with Railways for movement of coal.

In addition CIL has taken the following steps to increase domestic coal production:

- CIL and its subsidiaries are going for higher capacity mega mines (Capacities > 10 MTY) with high mechanization.
- CIL has already introduced state of the art technology to improve its work efficiency. High capacity Heavy Earth Moving Machinery (HEMMs) like 42 cum Shovel with 240 T Rear Dumper have been introduced for this purpose.