[RAJYA SABHA]

Unstarred Questions

| 1                | 2        | 3         |  |
|------------------|----------|-----------|--|
| PSPCL            | 157.41   | 171.06    |  |
| RRVUNL           | 32.50    | 271.66    |  |
| TANGEDCO         | 471.39   | 803.51    |  |
| TVNL             | 423.70   | 565,92    |  |
| UPRVUNL          | 752.48   | 960.61    |  |
| WBPDCL           | 1,083.71 | 1,446.17  |  |
| WBSEB            | 1.29     | 1.29      |  |
| TOTAL            | 4,686.80 | 6,960.71  |  |
| CPSUs            |          |           |  |
| DVC              | 789.49   | 1,553.16  |  |
| NTPC             | 2,439.48 | 3,500.15  |  |
| KBUNL            | 2.32     | 1.62      |  |
| NLC Tamil Nadu   | 71.42    | 0.07      |  |
| APCPL Aravali    | 85.44    | 54.24     |  |
| NTECL            | 243.69   | 295.94    |  |
| DCC              | 8.90     | 0.00      |  |
| BRBCL            | 21.66    | 31.85     |  |
| Total            | 3,662.40 | 5,437.03  |  |
| Other Pvt. Power | 85.99    | 25.62     |  |
| Total            | 8,435.19 | 12,423.36 |  |

## Coal production and carbon footprint

2406. DR. AMAR PATNAIK: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of mining technologies being utilised by coal producers to reduce their carbon footprint;

(b) the details additional forest and green cover created by Coal India Limited during the last three years; and

(c) the details of estimated national demand for coal uptill 2035?

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI): (a) Various methods and technologies being utilised by the coal producers to reduce carbon footprint are as follows:-

- 1. Deployment of Surface Miners in opencast coal mines and continuous miner in underground coal mines.
- 2. Transportation of coal through railways, belt conveyors and tube conveyors.
- 3. Draglines deployed in opencast projects.
- 4. Effective plantation in the mine lease area to arrest the propagation and dispersion of dust.
- 5. Roads are black-topped and coal carrying trucks are optimally loaded and covered with tarpaulin.
- 6. Diversifying into coal to chemical business thereby reduce more carbon footprints.

(b) CIL and its subsidiaries have planted 99.6 million sampling in 39842 Ha till February 2020. Details of additional forest and green cover created by Coal India limited during last three years are as below:-

| Period | 2       | 2017-18 |         | 2018-19 |         | 2019-20 |  |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
|        | No.     | Ha.     | No.     | Ha.     | No.     | Ha.     |  |
| CIL    | 1995166 | 821.521 | 1816070 | 733.428 | 1976618 | 812.98  |  |

(c) As per Vision 2024 of Ministry of Coal, projection of all India coal demand during next 5 years has been depicted as below:-

(Figs in Million Tonne)

|                  | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| All India demand | 1000    | 1052    | 1111    | 1172    | 1273    |