

[17 December, 2003] RAJYA SABHA

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A major accident occurred at Godavarikhani No. 8—A incline mine of Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd. (SCCL) on 17.10.2003 at around 1.00 AM, due to roof fall in which 10 persons were killed and 2 persons received serious bodily injury.

(c) Ministry of Labour has decided to constitute a court of inquiry under Section 24 of the Mines Act, 1952 by a sitting Judge of a High Court.

Discovery of coalfields by G.S.I.

1551. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise names of places where the Geological Survey of India has found new coalfields during the last decade;

(b) the quantities of coal in each of the new found places, and

(c) how far this coal will meet the requirements of thermal power stations and steel industry sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL): (a) and (b) The State-wise/coalfield-wise names of places where the Geological Survey of India (GSI) has assessed new (additional) coal resources on the basis of regional exploration during the last decade (1993-2002) along with the quantity of coal resources are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) Out of the total coal resources of 18.52 billion tonnes explored by GSI during the last decade (1993-2002), only about 0.47 billion tonnes occurring in East Bokaro (Jharkhand) and Sohagpur (M.R./Chhattisgarh) coalfield and also a part of about 0.35 billion tonne occurring in Batua and Patasi Blocks of Sohagpur coalfield are found to have coking properties which may be suitable for steel industry. The balance coal resources are suitable for thermal power stations.

Statement

SXate-wise/coalfield-wise names of places where the Geological Survey of India (GSI) has assessed new (additional) coal resources on the basis of regional exploration during the last decade (1993-2002)' alongwith the quantity of coal resources

Sl. No.	State	Coalfield	Block/Sector/Area of Exploration	Resource (in million tonne)
1.	West Bengal	Birbhum	Dholkatha-Garia	1136.03
			Rampur-Mollapur	560.21
		Raniganj	Dhenua	281.72
			Bistupur-Danadeshwar	349.87
			Trans-Damodar	103.15
			Banspetali-Majid	76.45
			Mohanpur	15.69
			Krishnanagar	.22.13
			Barul-Bagdiha	24.58
			Churulia	200.24
			Domra sub-basin	165.91
2.	Bihar/Jharkhand South		Patratu	269.15
		Karanpura	Patratu (South)	18.00
			Hetoli	8.91
		Auranga	Banhardi	433.46
			Latehar	22.04
		East	Siari (Coking Coal)	271.24
		Bokaro		
		Rajmahal	Keyadih-Gandharap	401.39
		Group	Urma-Paharitola	579.30
			Chaudhar-Gariapani	230.95
			Saharpur-Jamarpani	290.26
3.	MP/Chhattisgarh	Sohagpur	Jarwahi (Coking Coal)	201.68
			Dulhara	144.40
			Batura (Partly coking)	112.50
			Dhanpura	80.02
			Manpura	24.43
			Shahdol	96.82

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Sl. No.	State	Coalfield	Block/Sector/Area of Exploration	Resource (in milli on tonne)
			Kelmania-Mithauri	123.63
			Ghunguti	17.89
			Patasi (Partly coking)	233.99
		Korba	Bhilai Tampara	725.06
			Karkapara	47.11
			Karkoma	5.37
				48.42
		Mand-	Tilaipali	371.22
		Raigarh	Phutamura Nakdama	48.43
			Ongana-Potiya	326.50
			Kusalda	483.53
				222.83
		Ramkola	Amritpur	66.20
		Tatapani	Sondhiya	53.79
			Meghuli	63.72
			Sursa	72.55
		*	Baheratoll	114.21
		Bisrampur	Latori	87.59
			Khargao-Songara	82.93
			Badauli	66.56
		Hasdo-	Kente	163.32
		Arnad		
		Singrauli	Ujheni (West)-Gondbahe	230.57
4.	Orissa	lb-River	Himgiri Tongardih	226.82
			Tongardih (East)	194.99
				73.88
			Budhajhoria	285.34
		Talcher	Chhendipada (West) and	1094.34
			Patrapara	2387.45
			Bagaria-Aunli	1495.30
			Kosala (East)	1070.29
			North of Akhrapal and	701.16
			Serampur	396.10
			Sarapal-Nuapara	
			Kudanali-Laburi	

Sl. No.	State	Coalfield	Block/Sector/Area of Exploration	Resources (million tonne)
5.	Maharashtra	Wardha	Jogapur-SirsI	92.20
		Valley	Rajura-Manikgarh	9.33
			Bahmani-Palasgaon	19.18 43.00
6.	Andhra Pradesh	Godavari	Bhatali	36.73
		Valley	Kothagudem Dip Extension	82.37 193.45
			Rampuram	17.67
			Krishnavaram	108.35
			Khammampalll	25.10
			Vodugudem	155.95
			Jaganathapuram-Gudiapada	21.52
			Venkatapur (North)	11.85
			Dharmacherla-Abbugudem	
			Santinagaram	
			TOTAL	18518.27

Infiltration of terrorists

1552. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any action on the reports of the Indian Army to the effect that there are no improvement in the situation of infiltration of terrorists and shelling in the entire Kargil area in the State of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the ISI of Pakistan has innovated its strategy to infiltrate into the areas of Leh and Ladakh in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Firing across the Line of Control (LoC) was a regular Phenomenon during the current year till the ceasefire with effect from 26th November 2003. The infiltration trend this year generally conforms to that of last year. There are no inputs to suggest infiltration through Kargil Sector of Jammu and Kashmir. Further, no inputs have been received to suggest a new strategy of infiltration.