

**Requirement of coal by power plants**

†286. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of coal being used for generation of power in the country;

(b) the revenue earned therefrom,

(c) the quantum of coal required by various power plants based on coal during the Ninth Plan Period and the quantum of coal supplied to the said plants;

(d) whether Government have made any assessment with regard to demand of coal by these power plants during the Tenth Plan period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL): (a) 74.1% of the total coal produced is used for generation of power in the country. Out of this the share of CIL and SCCL are 76% and 81% respectively.

(b) The revenue earned from the coal sale to power sector by CIL and SCCL is Rs 16182 crores and Rs 3109 crores respectively for the year 2002-2003.

(c) Planning Commission has assessed the all India coal demand for power sector as 241.54 million tonnes of raw coal and 2.78 million tonnes of middlings for the terminal year of the Ninth Plan i.e. 2001-2002. Out of this, CIL has despatched 217.18 million tonnes of raw coal and 1.796 million tonnes of middling and SCCL has despatched 24.514 million tonnes of coal for power sector.

(d) and (e) Planning Commission has assessed the all India coal demand for power sector as 317.14 million tonnes of raw coal and 3.74 million tonnes of middling for the terminal year of Tenth Plan i.e. 2006-07.

**Increase in coal production during Tenth Plan**

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