

(c) Some of such units whose supplies have been stopped sought for legal redressal is offered by coal companies.

Awarding contracts without tenders

†1389. SHRI RK. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's coal companies have a system of awarding contracts without tenders;

(b) if so, the extent to which officers of different levels have been authorised to do so;

(c) if so, whether complaints of bungling in such cases have ever been reported; and

(d) the outcomes thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA): (a) and (b) In the Central Government Coal Companies, normally, no contracts are awarded without tenders except under exigencies of work within delegation of powers. The levels of authorised officers are as under:—

Coal India Limited (CIL)

Purchase contracts	Chairman I, CIL	Chairman-cum Managing Director of subsidiary companies	Director of subsidiary companies
Without calling for tenders			
a) Purchase of proprietary items from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM)	Upto Rs. 3 (Three) crores	Upto Rs. 2 (two) crores	—
b) Without tender through negotiation	Upto Rs. 20 lakhs (reasons to be recorded)	Upto Rs. 20 lakhs (reasons to be recorded)	Upto Rs. 2 lakhs (in emergency)

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Subsidiary companies also sub-delegate powers to their Chief General Manager (CGM)/General Managers (GMs) for smooth functioning considering the location etc. which varies from subsidiary to subsidiary and even amongst CGMs/GMs in the same subsidiary.

Further, contracts are awarded by subsidiaries of Coal India Limited in certain cases without tendering, details of which are given below:—

- Transportation contracts to ex-servicemen companies as per Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by Coal India Limited (CIL) and DGR, Ministry of Defence.
- Security jobs to ex-servicemen companies approved by DGR.
- Transportation contracts to enlisted cooperatives sponsored by district administration in Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL).
- In Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL), coal and sand transportation upto a distance of 30 kms. is awarded on Schedule of Rate (SoR).

Neyveli Lignite Corporation

Chairman-cum-Managing Director	Upto Rs. 50 lakhs.
Functional Director	Upto Rs. 5 lakhs.
Chief General Manager	Upto Rs. 2 lakhs per occasion and Upto Rs. 15 lakhs per annum.
General Manager	Upto Rs. 1 lakh per occasion and upto Rs. 10 lakhs per annum.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of answer given in part (c) above.

Coal production

1390. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the target set for production of coal during the Ninth Five Year Plan;